

Team Unbreakable

On Saturday June 9th 30 runners from Team Blake joined Team Unbreakable for a 5k run at Coronation Park.

Team Unbreakable is an organization that promotes exercise, specifically running, as a way to improve mental health.

All runners gave it their best effort, including many parents and teachers, with many of our youngest being the first to cross the finish line. This was a fun morning and we hope to participate again next year. Bravo Team Blake!



Grade 6 Trip to Mono Cliffs

From June 10-12 grade 5 and 6 students got to go too Mono Cliffs which was the best experience ever! We did all sorts of activities like Archery/Lacrosse, Aurora Borealis art, High ropes, Wolf prowl, Night hike and other activities. High ropes was one of the best activities. The high ropes course was scary but fun. We got too climb all these courses. Aurora borealis art was a very fun pastel art project. When we went on the night hike we got to see the end of a cliff which was very cool and interesting with all the plants and trees. We got too go too this cave thing which use to be an ocean.

-Aafiyah



Graduation – Bakers Needed

On June 26th, we will be hosting our grade 6 Graduation. We are looking for some bakers who may be able to make some cupcakes for the event. If you are able to do so, please let Ms. Barr know by emailing her at erin.barr@tdsb.on.ca

Loblaw's Snack

This afternoon the entire Blake Street school was treated to a delicious, nutritious snack courtesy of Leslie Street Loblaws. Loblaws sent a crew of staff to set up and serve us all a variety of yogurts, fresh fruits, and cereals. It was a perfect way to end the busy week. We would like to thank Joel and the rest of the Loblaw's crew for their partnership with Blake. We are grateful for their support and look forward to a continued relationship in the upcoming school year.

Volunteer Tea

We are so fortunate to work in such a wonderfully caring and vibrant community, and this is because of our many parent and community volunteers. We hope you will be able to join us on Tuesday June 18th from 8:45 – 9:45 in our front Kinder garden (in the event of rain we will meet in the gym) to say thank you for all of your time, dedication and support of our school. This event is for adults only, and we ask that you please bring your own mug. We hope to see you there.

Talent Show

Next week, all students will be performing their talent show acts during music classes. Students in Ms. Paton's music classes have each received a green planning page and know what they are going to do. The focus on this is fun and confidence-building, and

students have been encouraged to practice how they will introduce their act and how to thank the audience afterwards. They need to make sure they bring any needed items for their act for class time (e.g. piano music / violin / basketball / map etc).

The in-class performance schedule is:

Mme Brooks/Dungo: Monday, June 17 and Friday, June 21

Mme Thomas: Tuesday, June 18 and Wednesday, June 19

Ms. Kagan: Monday, June 17 and Wednesday, June 19

Mr. Tsai: Tuesday, June 18 and Wednesday, June 19

Mme Lafontaine: Tuesday, June 18 and Thursday, June 20

Mr. Nicolaou/ Ms. Arthur: Thursday, June 20 and Friday, June 21

Mr. Richman/ Ms. Arthur: Thursday, June 20 and Friday, June 21

World Book Day

Big shout-out to the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation (https://www.loveofreading.org/) for providing us with four boxes of classic children's literature - they arrived yesterday! This complete set will go in the library, and the rest (multiple copies of the titles) will head to the junior division to support their guided reading program and classroom libraries. This was a lovely surprise in honour of World Book Day which was held on June 11, 2019. Thanks Indigo!



Have you moved or is your child attending a new school in the fall?

For those of you who have moved out of the Blake Street attendance area over the school year, your child has been permitted to complete their 2019 school year here at Blake. For the 2019/2020 School Year you will need to register your child at his/her home school.

Should you have any questions or concerns about the content of this newsletter, please do not hesitate to contact me at jennifer.zurba@tdsb.on.ca

Have a great weekend.

Jennifer and Tina

Upcoming Dates:

June 15: FUN FAIR

June 18: Volunteer Tea

June 20: Play Day for grades 1-6

June 26: Blake Graduation, 6:00 - 7:00

June 27: Last Day of School

Blake School Council Announcements

Blake FUN Fair! It's happening this Saturday, 15th from 11am to 3pm, RAIN or SHINE! We can't guarantee the weather, but we can guarantee it'll be a FUN time!

Did we mention the FREE ice cream, courtesy of our **platinum sponsor** and **neighbourhood realtor**, **Claudio Cerrito**, **Re/Max**? Thank you, Claudio!

And **Thank You** to the many local businesses who have sponsored our fun fair this year. Show your appreciation by supporting these companies.

- ♥ Gerrard Square Mall/Davpart Inc
- ▼ Total Health Pharmacy
- ♥ Planet Fitness
- ▼ Nature's Health Food
- ▼ Riverdale Dental
- ▼ No Frills
- ▼ Maple Lodge Farms
- **♥** Loblaws

We're still in need of a few helping hands to cover the second fun fair shift (1.30 – 3.30). If you can help, please contact Erin Barr, erin.barr@tdsb.on.ca

Blake is celebrating its 50th Anniversary and School Council would like to give something back to the school to have revealed 50 years from today.



One idea is to have #AllTheLibrariesTO's artist Daniel Rotsztain create a one of kind sketch of our school.

The purchase of this piece of art also supports an Iranian refugee that will be making a new life here in Toronto.

What do you think? Do you have alternative suggestions?

Email us, <u>blakeschoolcouncil.tdsb@gmail.com</u>.

Final School Council meeting for this year will be held next Tuesday, June 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

Dinner and childcare are provided. You can catch up on the minutes from the May meeting here. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1W995 rnKMLgLSj8eXn2p5glZD6JpEVwV/view?usp=sharing

Interested in joining the Executive Team of our School Council?

There are many ways for you to contribute and be part of the School Council, depending on your availability and interest. We appreciate every hour you can give whether you bake for the bake sale, pop popcorn for movie night, or ask businesses in the area to contribute to our Fun Fair (just to name a few examples!) Joining the Executive Team is another way to support our work. If you are interested in learning more about what is involved in the role of Chair, Treasurer, or Recording Secretary, please email us for more information.

(<u>blakeschoolcouncil.tdsb@gmail.com</u>) Official elections will be held in the fall, but we encourage you to ask questions in advance to find out what is entailed in these roles. You can learn more by reviewing the Blake School Council bylaws at <u>Blake bylaws.docx.pdf</u>

- Blake School Council

Community Announcements

Kempton Howard Park Improvement Project Public Consultation Meeting: A Message from Councillor Fletcher

Dear Friends,

The City is holding a public consultation meeting about the proposed improvements for Kempton Howard Park. This second meeting will follow up on the feedback from the community. City staff will be presenting the designs and will answer any questions you may have about this project. Thank you to everyone who contributed ideas and comments.

Date: Monday, June 10th Time: 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Location: Kempton Howard Park, 150 Blake St. (by the playground)

*In case of rain the backup meeting location will be Eastview Neighbourhood Community Centre, 86 Blake St., in the Junior Room (2nd floor)

If you are unable to attend and wish to comment you can contact my office at <u>councillor_fletcher@toronto.ca</u> or 416-392-4060, or the Senior Project Coordinator Lara Herald directly at <u>lara.herald@toronto.ca</u> or 416-394-5723.