

# Bladyon Public School



APRIL 2024

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Apr. 19** Kdg scavenger hunt
- Apr. 22**– Earth Day
- May.16**- School Council Meeting 9:00am (Library)
- May. 20**– Victoria Day/ No School
- May.23**– Gr. 5 (English) visit to Pierre Laport MS
- May.24**– Welcome to Kindergarten (AM)
- Jun. 7**– PA Day/No School
- Jun. 20**– School Picnic
- Jun. 25**– Gr. 5 Celebration of Learning
- Jun. 26**– Report Cards sent home
- Jun. 28**– Last Day of School



## Principal's Message

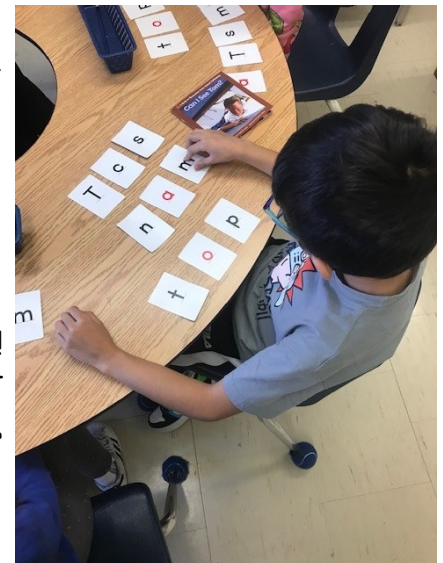
As the spring weather finally arrives, we can all anticipate the last few months of this school year to bring us a bustling of activity.

We look forward to enjoying a spring scavenger hunt for our kindergarten students this week, a few more trips and adventures for classes, and a few more sports tournaments and events. We are excited to host our second annual school picnic on June 20th, followed by a play day event in the afternoon, (more information to follow).

The next school council meeting is an open invitation to all of our parents, and will take place at 9:0am on Thursday, May 16th in the school library/commons. We hope that you can join us for coffee , treats and school updates.

On a final note, I would like to thank our parents: Genevieve, Michelle, Micha, Samantha, Marilyn and Chyrill who joined our Reading Buddies volunteer group and read with a few students each week. These students get to practice their reading skills and experience the "JOY" of reading with a caring adult. Thank-you! If any additional parents are interested in volunteering please contact Ms. Kousi in the office (minimum volunteer time of one day per week for about 30 minutes, we will train interested parents).

-Z. Valerio



**APRIL IS**

**LATIN-AMERICA  
HERITAGE  
MONTH**

**And**

**SIKH HERITAGE  
MONTH**

**IN TDSB**

*Important*

### Safe Arrival Program

If your child will be absent, please call the school at 416-395-2070 and leave a message with your child's name, classroom and reason for absence.



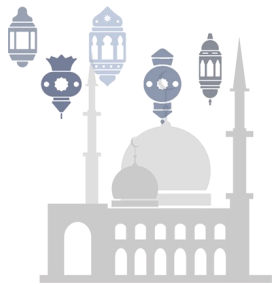
This voice message system is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

### Kindergarten Registration

Registration for all TDSB Kindergarten programs is now open. We look forward to welcoming you and your child! Children who will be four by December 31, 2024 can start Junior Kindergarten in September 2024. Register online using the Online Registration System. Click here for more information and to register online: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/>. KindergartenMonth.

## Ramadan

Monday, March 11, 2024, marked the first week of Ramadan, one of the holiest months in the Islamic calendar. During the month of Ramadan, Muslims worldwide abstain from food and water from sunrise to sunset for 29 or 30 consecutive days--as determined by the lunar calendar. Fasting is one of the five pillars of Islam. Muslims break their fast each evening with a communal dinner called an iftar. Eid-al-Fitr was celebrated by several Blaydon families on April 10th.



## Grades 4/5 Summer School at Pierre Laport MS

Students **currently** in Grade 4 – 8 can enrol. Summer school takes place from July 2 -26th, 9am to 12pm (there is no bussing). Register online at [Elementary Summer School 2024 \(tdsb.on.ca\)](https://tdsb.on.ca/Elementary_Summer_School_2024). Questions can be directed to principal Carl Riley at (416)-395.3070, or [carl.riley@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:carl.riley@tdsb.on.ca)

## STEM Monthly Challenges

Each month a new science, engineering challenge is presented to all grade 1-5 classes and a selected class team competes with other teams in the gym. It's fantastic to see the collaboration, sharing of ideas and the support all students show one another throughout these monthly STEM challenges.



April's STEM Team

## Children and Stress: Helpful Tips from Toronto Public Health

Just like adults, children can feel anxious or stressed about new situations & changes to routines, busy schedules, and they can worry about many things at school and at home. Stress in your child may show up in different ways including:

- Headaches or tummy aches,
- Trouble sleeping,
- Eating more or eating less,
- Not wanting to go to school,
- Changes in their behaviour (e.g. more quiet/ more active than usual), and
- Looking sad or worried.



You can help your child if they feel stressed by:

- Spending time and doing things together.
- Paying full attention when your child talks.
- Talking/providing support about any of their worries/fears.
- Showing your child that you love them.
- Giving your child time to relax from a busy schedule.
- Watching your child play and helping them to get along with other children.

## BLAYDON PUBLIC SCHOOL

25 Blaydon Avenue, North York, ON, M3M 2C9, 416-395-2070

Superintendent: Domenic Giorgi  
Trustee of Education: Alexandra Lulka  
School Council Chair: Genevieve Keats



# Celebrating and Learning About Different Heritage Months at Blaydon



1



3



5



2



4



6

- 1 Lunar New Year
- 2 Asian Heritage Month
- 3 African/ Black Heritage Month
- 4 African/Black Heritage Month
- 5 Latin-America Heritage Month
- 6 Latin-America Heritage Month



## Blaydon's Movie Night

Thank-you to our school council for organizing this year's Movie Night event for students and family. It was a great community experience enjoyed by all who participated.