

**Bridlewood Cares - Learning Together** 

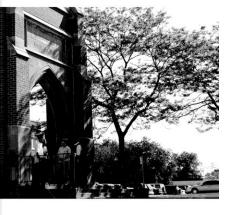
On Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> Bridlewood students had the opportunity to enjoy Halloween activities throughout the day. A highlight was having our YMCA preschoolers visit every class in the morning! In the afternoon, we held our annual Halloween Parade and for the first time in many years we were able to take advantage of the warm weather and have our event outside. Take a look at the group pictures below and see if you can see some or all of the following: McDonald's Happy Meal, vending machines, a Lorax, a baseball card, Michael Jackson (who thrilled us by doing an impromptu dance to Thriller), the Mona Lisa, Minions and a banana, Gru, superheroes – Batman, Spiderman, Superman (can you find Clark Kent as well), Avengers characters – Captain America, Deadpool, multiple Wednesdays, butterflies, princesses - Disney ones too,

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skeletons, vampires, gojo, aliens, dinosaurs of every shape, size, and fierceness, witches of all types, ninjas, pumpkins some cute and some scary, Scream, cheerleaders, a GOAT, animals like cats, leopards, bunny, Ms. Tessier and her dog Ben, food items – hamburger, hotdog, avocado, Harry Potter characters, athletes from soccer players (dead and alive) baseball player to a boxer and martial artists, unicorns, characters riding elephant, Axolotl or a dragon, royalty, Ninjas, ballerinas, Pokemon characters, cheerleaders, Mindcraft characters. Star Wars characters, Police, Firefighters, a robber, a Viking, Waldo, astronauts, Barbie, Day of the Dead character, Medusa, Paw Patrol characters, Poppy, My Melody characters, mermaids, subway surfers, Mario and Luigi characters, and many, many more! A fun day was had by all!

Daylight Saving Time will come to an end during the early morning of November 3<sup>rd</sup>. So don't forget to adjust your clock and "fall back" one hour on Saturday November 2<sup>nd</sup> before you go to bed because clocks roll back in the early morning hours of November 3<sup>rd</sup> when most people are sleeping.

Good luck to our Girls and Boys Soccer Team on Tuesday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>!



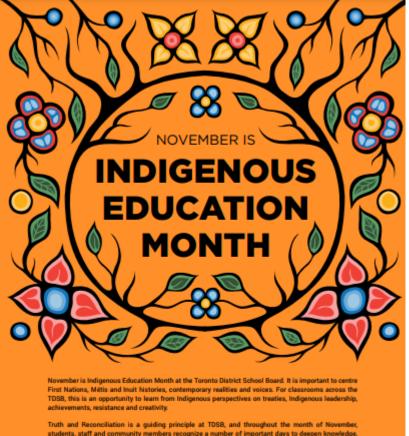
## HALLOWEEN AT BRIDLEWOOD







### November is Indigenous Education Month at the TDSB



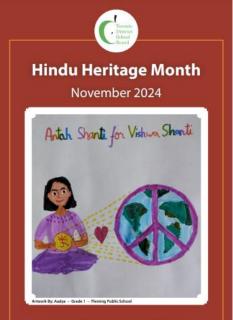
students, staff and community members recognize a number of important days to deepen knowledge, to learn together about our shared history and to build stronger relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples in what we call Canada today.

CLICK HERE for resources to support Treaties Week, Inuit Day, Indigenous Veterans Day, Louis Riel Day

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION IS ALL DAY EVERYDAY



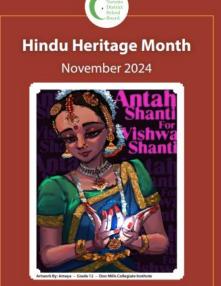
### **November is Hindu Heritage Month**



Antah Shanti for Vishwa Shanti



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### Early French Immersion (Junior Kindergarten Entry) Application Opens November

If your family is interested in the Toronto District School Board's Early French Immersion Program (begins in Junior Kindergarten), we are pleased to offer an online process to apply. Applications for September 2025 must be completed online by **November 29, 2024**. Families with an older sibling currently in an Early French Immersion program must complete an online application for the new student. Visit the <u>Early French Immersion</u> page for more information.

The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) would like to share some information with you and your families about Early French Immersion. The entry point to Early French Immersion for September 2025/26 school year is **Junior Kindergarten**.

The application to the Early French Immersion program will remain an online process managed by the Central French Department and applications must be completed online between **November 4 and November 29, 2024**. An offer of placement in the program (<u>not</u> a specific school) is guaranteed to all on-time applicants. Families with an older sibling currently in an Early French Immersion program at the same school are still required to complete an online application for the new student. For more information, please visit: <u>Application Early French Immersion</u>.

Please find an AODA poster and flyer card with QR Code.

At any time, please visit\_the <u>TDSB French Language Programs webpage</u> to view a <u>video</u> that provides information about the TDSB French Language programs, as well as, the application and placement process in the Early French Immersion and the Middle French Immersion programs. More information about the Early Immersion Program is available in <u>22 languages</u>, or view the <u>application video</u>.

## SEAC Town Hall for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of Students with Disabilities/Special Education Needs

Date: November 4, 2024 Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Location: Virtual or In-person (TDSB Board Office, 5050 Yonge St., North York)

TDSB's Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) includes volunteers who advise the TDSB on how to improve special education programs and services. We want your feedback and to learn from your experience.

TDSB SEAC is hosting a Town Hall. This is an opportunity for families who have a child with a disability/special education needs to share their experiences at school. We will ask you 2 questions:

- What barriers to learning have you and your child encountered in school?
- What recommendations do you have to enhance services and experiences for students receiving special education services?

We will use this information to help develop recommendations for the TDSB on how it can better serve these students. The Town Hall is **not** set up to give you advice on how to navigate TDSB services. Families needing help with this regarding their child's services should contact their school's principal and superintendent.

At the Town Hall, you will get up to 5 minutes to share your experiences. If you want to attend in-person or online, please complete this **registration form**. If instead, you would like to submit a pre-recorded video, your written comments, or even an artistic piece, email it to <u>lianne.dixon@tdsb.on.ca</u>.

At the Town Hall and in any feedback you send in, to respect privacy, please do not use the names of specific staff or schools. SEAC cannot investigate specific problems. We want to learn from your feedback on what system-wide reforms we should recommend to TDSB.

#### **Register Now! Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference**

You are invited to join us for the Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference on Saturday, November 16, 2024. This year's conference theme is Journey to Joy, Wellness, and Wholeness and will be a day full of presentations and workshops. Visit <u>www.parentsaspartners.ca</u> for more information and to register to attend.



#### **TDSB Elementary Central Student Interest Programs**

Applications for elementary Central Student Interest Programs open soon. At the elementary level, we offer arts-focused programs at four different schools in the TDSB. Application for these school programs open on November 4, 2024 and closes on November 22 at 4 p.m.

Learn more about each of these programs on the <u>elementary central student interest programs</u> website. You can also review program and application requirements, get dates for upcoming open houses and webinars and all application timelines.

#### October 30, 2024 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. - Student Interest Program Webinar

Registration link: <u>https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_MFibCA5VSoqLJqDF0B6QSg</u>

Parents/Guardians/Caregivers are asked to register for the event prior to the Webinar. Requests for interpretation services can be made in the registration form by Friday, October 25, 2024.

To further support students and families with the application process, TDSB staff will be hosting two (2) Central Student Interest Program Application Support Sessions to answer questions that students or families may have about the application. Live, online support will be available on the following dates:

- o November 12 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. (Click here to join)
- o November 18 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. (Click here to join)

Staff will not be able to answer specific program and/or school-based questions. Families are encouraged to attend <u>Open Houses</u> for school- and program-specific information.



Please join us for our School Advisory Council Meeting this Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. We will be meeting in the Library on the first floor. Hope to see you there!



#### ELEMENTARY PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY (PA) DAY November 15, 2024

During the school year, TDSB school staff participate in several Professional Activity (PA) Days. These days, while students remain at home, are an opportunity for our staff to engage in professional learning or communication with parents through parent-teacher conferences, which directly impacts and enhances student learning.

As per the Ministry of Education's <u>Policy/Program Memorandum (PPM) 151</u>, Professional Activity Days Devoted to Provincial Education Priorities, school boards must designate three Ministry-mandated PA Days. This year, these PA days will focus on the priority areas of Literacy, Mathematics, Curriculum Implementation, Student Well-being, School Safety, and Violence Prevention. Staff active participation in these days is crucial in achieving the TDSB's Multi-Year Strategic Plan priorities.

Please find information about the November 15, 2024, PA Day below.

#### Friday, November 15, 2024

Target Audience: All Staff – Elementary Topic: PA Day- Parent-Teacher Conferences Length: Full Day (In Person) Facilitator(s): School-Based Staff Description: Parent-teacher conferences are held to facilitate communication and collaboration between parents or guardians and teachers. The primary purpose of these conferences is to discuss a student's academic progress, social development, and overall well-being. They provide an opportunity for parents and teachers to exchange information, celebrate successes, share concerns, and work together in the best interests of the student.



## Welcome All Grade 1 Parents, Caregivers, and Educators

## Let's Talk, Read & Write!

Learn how to help your child read and spell words in a fun and playful way

> Learn how to help your child develop their academic language skills

## **5 Virtual Sessions**

6:30 - 7:30pm

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Sept. 24	Let's Play With Sounds
Oct 8	From Sounds to Words
Oct 15	Let's Read
Oct 29	Let's Write
Nov 12	Let's Keep Learning

For more information, contact Donna Cardoza, Parent Caregiver & Community Engagement Worker

647-403-5821

) Donna.Cardoza@tdsb.on.ca

Special Education

A collaboration between TDSB Speech Language Pathologists and Donna Cardoza (PCCEW) REGISTER by scanning the QR code or type the code







# **Early French Immersion** Begins in Junior Kindergarten

## Applications Open: November 4, 2024 Deadline to Apply: November 29, 2024





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat 9	
3 Set your clocks BACK BAC	4 – Day 2 Early French Immersion (Junior Kindergarten Entry) Application Opens Please see flyer above TDSB Elementary Central Student Interest Programs Application Opens Please see further information above Parent/Teacher Interview Request forms due SEAC Town Hall for Parents/Guardians/ Caregivers of Students with Disabilities/Special Education Needs, 7:00 -9:00 pm, in- person or virtual	5 – Day 3 Rescheduled Girls Semi-Finals/Finals Soccer Tournament and Boys Quarter- Finals/Semi- Finals/Finals Soccer Tournament @ Zion Heights with Mr. Skicos and Mr. Beer Skicos and Mr. Beer	6 – Day 4 edge imaging Picture Retake Day Sibling Picture Day – We will have all siblings take a picture – Please inform the office if you DO NOT want sibling pictures	7 – Day 5 Inuit Day	8 – Day 1 National Indigenous Veterans' Day ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓		
10 Pizza Nova Lunch Forms due	Please see further information above 11 – Day 2 Remembrance Day Assembly, 10:30 am	12 – Day 3	13 – Day 4	14 – Day 5	15 PA Day – Please see information above	16 Louis Riel Day	
Floga Lunch Forms due *Johnny's Iamburger Lunch Forms due	•	UkuleleKids Ukulele lessons to start, lunch	Popcorn delivered to students who	Pizza Lunch for students who ordered	No School Parent/Teacher Interviews, morning	Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference, 10:00 am – 1:15 pm	
*Subway Lunch Forms due	Lest We Forget	Write – Let's Keep Learning Gr. 1 Parent virtual session, 6:30 pm – Please see flyer above	ordered Gr. 1 – 6 Progress Report Cards go home Kindergarten Communication of Learning: Initial	Parent/Teacher Interviews, after school and evening		www.parentsaspar ers.ca	
17	18 – Day 1	19 – Day 2 Sections ROCKS and Rings	Observations <u>Reports go home</u> 20 – Day 3 Subway Lunch for students who ordered	21 – Day 4	22 – Day 5 22 – Day 5 Pizza Lunch for students who ordered	23	
		Curling Program @ Bridlewood			Little Jammerz Little Jammerz Guitar Lesson, lunch TDSB Elementary Central Student Interest Programs Application closes at 4:00 pm		
24	25 – Day 1	UkuleleKids Ukulele lessons, lunch 26 – Day 2 FLOGA FLOGA Chicken Soulvaki on Pita Lunch for students who ordered Ukulele kics UkuleleKids Ukulele lessons, lunch	27 – Day 3 For the second sec	28 – Day 4 28 – Day 4 Pizza Lunch for students who ordered	29 PA Day No School Early French Immersion (JK Entry) Application closes	30	
			Subway Lunch for students who ordered		- 	2024	



## Days of Significance 2024 – 2025

## November 2024

Day of Week	Date	Event	Source	Website	
Friday	01	All Saints Day	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_</u> <u>Saints%27_Day</u>	
Friday	01	Bandi Chhor Divas	Sikhism	https://www.sikhdharma.org/the- story-of-bandi-chhor-divas/	
Friday	01	Diwali	Hinduism/Jaini sm/ Sikhism	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diw ali	
Friday	01	Samhain*	Wicca/Pagan	https://www.history.com/topics/holics	
Friday and Saturday	01 - 02	Dia de los Muertos* (Day of the Dead)	Government of Mexico	https://www.wheniscalendars.co m/when-is-dia-de-los-muertos/	
Saturday	02	Birth of the Bá'b	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/	
Saturday	02	Crowning of Emperor Haile Selassie I	Rastafarian holy day	https://royalwatcherblog.com/20 20/11/02/coronation-of-emperor haile-selassie-of-ethiopia-1930/	
Sunday	03	Birth of Bahá'u'lláh	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/	
Sunday to Saturday	03 – 09	Treaties Recognition Week	Government of Ontario	https://www.ontario.ca/page/treat ies-recognition-week	
Wednesday	06	Gyan Panchami	Jainsim	https://www.pandit.com/jain- festival-calendar-2024/	
Thursday	07	Inuit Day	Inuit Circumpolar Council Canada	https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com /about-icc/	
Friday	08	National Indigenous Veterans' Day	Indigenous Peoples (Veteran Affairs Canada)	<u>https://www.rcaanc-</u> <u>cirnac.gc.ca/eng/160528694827</u> <u>0/1605287188462</u>	
Monday	11	Remembrance: Veterans' Day	Government of Canada	http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstw orldwar/history/after-the- war/remembrance/remembrance -day/	

Friday	15	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib	Sikhism	https://calendarholidays.in/when- is/guru-nanak-birthday/	
Saturday	16	Louis Riel Day - Riel's Execution	Métis Nation	https://www.metisnation.org/cult ure-heritage/louis-riel-day-info/	
Sunday to Saturday	17 - 23	Anti-Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week (3 <sup>rd</sup> Week of November)	Government of Ontario	https://thecanadianhomeschoole r.com/bullying-awareness-week/	
Wednesday	20	International Transgender Day of Remembrance	Gwendolyn A. Smith, US Trans Advocate	<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwe</u> <u>ndolyn_Ann_Smith</u>	
Wednesday	20	World Children's Day	United Nations	https://www.google.com/search? g=world+children%27s+day&rlz= 1C1GCEA_enCA924CA1024&o g=World+Chldren%27s+Day&aq s=chrome.1.69i57j0i13i131i433i5 12j0i13i512l8.10446j1j7&sourcei d=chrome&ie=UTF-8	
Thursday	21	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pres entation of Mary	
Friday	22	Descending Day of Lord Buddha	Buddhism (Tibetan)	https://publicholidays.asia/bhuta n/descending-day-of-lord- buddha/	
Saturday	23	National Holodomor Memorial Day <sup>1</sup>	Ukrainian Canadian Congress	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holo domor_Memorial_Day#:~:text='D ay%20of%20memory%20for%2 Ovictims.the%20fourth%20Satur day%20of%20November	
Sunday	24	Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	Sikhism	https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.p hp/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Tegh_E <u>ahadur</u>	
Monday	25	Day of the Covenant*	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.checkiday.com/2d00 0c6cb00f8095c45a3bbffa1c10cb /day-of-the-covenant	
Monday	25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	United Nations	https://www.unwomen.org/en/wh at-we-do/ending-violence- against-women	
Wednesday	27	Ascension of 'Abdu'l- Bahá*	Bahá'i Faith	https://www.bahai.ca/ascension- centenary/	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> National Holodomor Memorial Day Toronto District School Board commemorates this event on the Friday before the fourth Saturday of November

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
er 2024					1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month	2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way	3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you	
November	4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community	5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel	6 Try out a new way of being physically active	7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire	8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week	9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"	10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea	
	11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way	12 Find out something new about someone you care about	13 Do something playful outdoors – walk, run, explore, relax	14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about	15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if"	Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective	17 Try a new way to practice self- care and be kind to yourself	
New Ways	18 Connect with someone from a different generation	19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site	20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before	21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them	22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them	23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love	24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently	
	25 Of your strengths in a new or creative way	26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show	27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it	28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card	29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen	30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times		
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### Speech-Language Pathology Early Literacy Fun: November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Help your child unders Words are combined t		words." Words are mad	e up of letters.		1	2
3 tree	4	5 Try saying the word "hello" in a different language.	°	7 Build a tower of words using one block for each word in a sentence!	8	9 Hopping words! Take a sentence from a favourite story and hop for each word.
10 Put your groceries away and count the vegetable/fruit words.	11 Remembrance Day	12 Place a Cheerio (or other food item) for each word in the sentence, "I like going to school." Then eat the treats!	13	14	15 PA Day	16 Make up a sentence about a favourite show. Take turns rolling a ball back and forth for each word in the sentence.
17 Ask family members a question. Count the words in the question (e.g. Are you hungry? = 3 words)	18	19 Make up a sentence using autumn words (e.g., tree, leaves, rake). Count the words in each sentence.	20 Point to each word of a sentence in a book. Count the number of words.	21	22	23 Find words in grocery flyers. Count the number of letters in the words.
24 Make up sentences about the food you are eating. Clap each word in the sentences.	25	26 Make up sentences with weather words and count the words using your fingers.	27	28 Stomp like an elephant for each word in a sentence about an animal.	29 PA Day	30 Find the same words on a page of a book or electronic story (e.g., the, went).

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