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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The first two months of school have been very exciting here at Cliffside! This October, we have had students participating in Cross Country, The Tour for Humanity, Junior/Intermediate Soccer Tournaments, Hillside Outdoor Education Centre, our First Annual Halloween Fashion Show, and of course our Professor Jamz Ultra Neutron Move-A-Thon! Our students continue to be eagerly engaged in their studies, as is evidenced by all of the unique work displayed in classrooms and around our hallways.

Our Progress Report Cards will be distributed to families on November 15th. This gives us an opportunity to reflect upon the learning that has occurred to date and what next steps we will be focussing on for the rest of Term 1. We encourage all families to attend the Parent-teacher interviews being held on November 16th in the evening, and November 17th in the morning. Regular communication is an important part of student learning. These interviews are your opportunity to ask questions about your child's progress and to discuss any issues. In addition to regularly-scheduled interviews, you can request a meeting at any time during the school year by contacting the school or your child's teacher directly. Interview request forms will be going out this week.

On November 16th and 17th, we will have our **Second Annual Clothing and Book Swap!** Please bring in all donations to our office, and spread the word about our exciting event. Bring your reusable bags and be prepared to leave with lots of great items!

Staffing at any school changes throughout the year, and we at Cliffside are eager to welcome a few new members to our staff. Welcome to Ms. Sahijwani in Kindergarten, Ms. Balani in Grade 1/2, and Ms. Kanheswaran in Grade 5/6! We are thrilled to have them joining our team.

We are looking forward to seeing positive examples of student achievement over the next month, and to see our students demonstrating November's character trait of empathy.

As always, we remind students to: Be Safe, Be Responsible, and Be Respectful.

Sincerely,
Andrea Chisholm
Principal

TDSB CELEBRATES!



November is...

Hindu Heritage Month

Indigenous Education Month

For more information, please go to www.tdsb.on.ca

LOOK AT OUR CLIFFSIDE CARDINALS...

CHARACTER TRAIT FOR OCTOBER - RESPONSIBILITY

Student	Class
Karsyn	JKSK
Naksh	JKSK
Aisha	1/2A
Maks	1/2A
Avram	1/2B
Violet	1/2B
Jack	3/4
Sarwa	3/4
Sofia	4/5MFI
Zoe	4/5MFI
Raisa	5/6
Shahzad	5/6
Emma	5/6MFI
Zaal	5/6MFI
Chayse	7/8
Mishael	7/8
Ella	7/8EF
Salma	7/8EF





GOLDEN BROOM AWARD

The students at Cliffside are working hard to earn the weekly Golden Broom Award by keeping their classrooms, lunchroom and hallway spotless.

Our winners in **October**:

Room 11
Room 6
Room 2
Room 9

Keep up the great work, Cliffside!

BIRTHDAY WISHES

November

Ayaan 7/8EF

Easton 5/6

Elena 3/4

Farhan 7/8EF

Farmanullah 1/2A

Keith 3/4

Kiaman 7/8EF

Kyle 3/4

Liam 1/2A

Lucas 5/6

Maks 1/2A

Sreeja 3/4

Umar JKSK

Vealdan JKSK

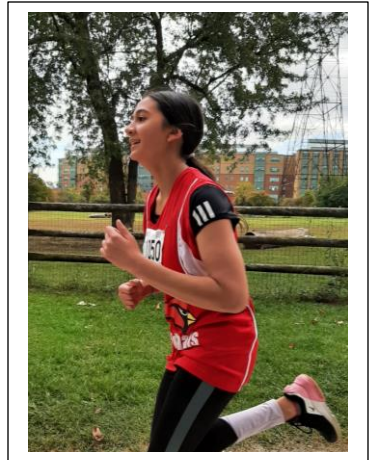


CROSS COUNTRY AT THOMPSON PARK

Written by Keegan, Gr7 & Elsa, Gr5

On October 10th at 9:30 am the Cliffside Grade 3-8 students went to Thompson Memorial Park to run races for cross country. They arrived at 10:00 am and prepared to start the first race at 10:30 am. Three students from the Cliffside competitive team qualified for the East Finals which will be held on October 19th at Thompson Park. Those who move on from the East Finals will then move on to the City Finals on October 25th. The racers who qualified for the East Finals are the following: Elsa (Gr5), Hammud (Gr7) and Aili (Gr7). The runners had a prolonged warm-up due to cold weather. The fun runners had a great time and enjoyed their races. Cliffside had a great time!





TOUR FOR HUMANITY



Written by Brooklyn & Riley, Gr5

On October 11th, the Tour for Humanity bus came to Cliffside Public School. Each class went one by one and learned different things. Our Grade 5/6 class, Room 8, learned about "Simon's Story" and how during World War II, he got separated from his family. The story also told us about the Nazi's and how they wanted to kill or hurt anyone from different cultures, in particular the Jewish culture. They also wanted to kill anyone that was a part of the LGBTQ2S community, anyone or who had different coloured skin. Thankfully, Simon survived. Sadly, the rest of his family did not. His parents, and his aunts and uncles were killed by the Nazi's.

"Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries.
Without them, humanity cannot survive."
- Dalai Lama

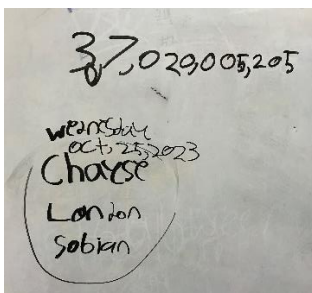
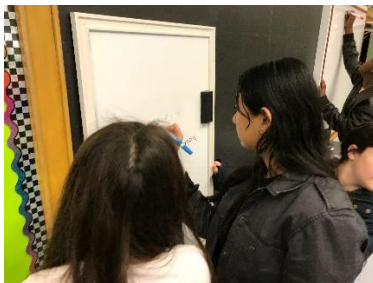
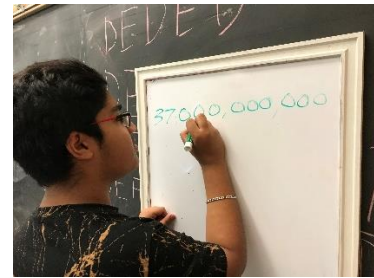
LEARNING MATH IN ROOM 9!

Written by Cerise and Takia, Rm9

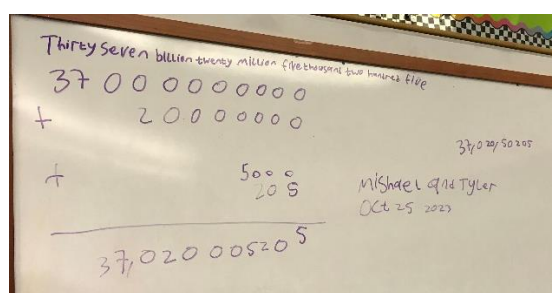
Learning math in Room 9 is fun because we don't just sit there and do worksheets. We use whiteboards and get into groups so we can combine our brainpower to solve math equations! One person can be the writer, others can be the thinkers and solvers. There are no wrong answers! There are only educated guesses. If we don't know what to do, we can go around and ask other groups what they did and what their thought process was when solving the equation. We then share our answers as a class and talk about different ways of solving the problem. Learning math can be fun if you make it engaging!

In your groups you will write the following in number format, "thirty-seven billion twenty million five thousand two hundred five".

"Learning math can be fun if you make it engaging!" – Cerise & Takia



Students sign and date their work. The teacher takes photos to record their progress.



RUNAWAY PEPPER EXPERIMENT

Written by Jaasiel, Gr2

I did a science experiment with Ms. Janice and my two friends Nabira and Bentley B. We put water on a plate and sprinkled pepper on top of the water. Water molecules are tightly attached to each other which makes the pepper float. We dipped our finger in the water, but nothing happened. Next, we dipped our finger in dish soap and then dipped our finger in the water again. This time we saw the pepper move away. Dish soap breaks up the tightly attached water molecules which makes the pepper look like it's running away from our soapy finger!

Materials used: A plate, water, pepper and dish soap



HILLSIDE OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE

On October 26, the Grade 2 and 4 students went to Hillside Outdoor Education Centre, to experience science, nature and Indigenous Education in an exciting hands-on setting!



HALLOWEEN FASHION SHOW

Written by Elsa, Kiyana (Rm12) & Max (Rm7)

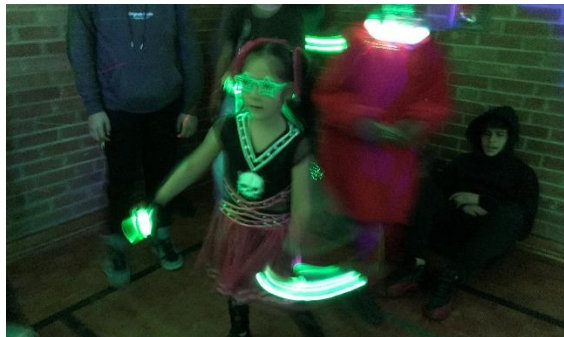
On October 31st we held our very first Halloween Fashion Show! Kiyana thought of the idea when she was trying to fall asleep one night. She came to school and asked Elsa if she wanted to help. We started planning in September by talking with other kids outside. Max offered to help sign different kids up who were interested. In October, we asked to meet with Ms. Chisholm, and shared our idea. She loved it, and we started planning right away! In total, 42 students participated as our fashion models, along with the ENTIRE KINDERGARTEN CLASS! We even participated too! Everyone went crazy cheering in support of each model who came out. It is already anticipated that we will have an even bigger and bolder fashion show next year!



PROFESSOR JAMZ MOVE-A-THON!

On October 31st, Professor Jamz visited Cliffside for the second year in a row! For weeks, students were fundraising to help pay for our upcoming Jungle Sport adventure, and other class excursions. We are counting every dollar donated and will share the total shortly. Cliffside moved and grooved for the afternoon to music selected by students! We look forward to welcoming Professor Jamz back again next year!







Join us each meeting date at **9:30 am!**

December 7, 2023

February 1, 2024

March 7, 2024

April 4, 2024

May 2, 2024

June 6, 2024

Please sign in at the office.



UPCOMING DATES:

- November 6-10 – **JUNGLE SPORT!**
- November 15 – Progress Report Cards Distributed
- November 16 & 17 – Cliffside's Clothing and Book Swap
- November 16 & 17 – Parent/Guardian & Teacher Interviews
- November 17 – PA Day
- November 21 – Photo Retake Day
- November 24 – Cliffside's Character Matters Assembly

NOVEMBER 16TH AND 17TH



CLIFFSIDE PS 2ND ANNUAL
**CLOTHING
SWAP**



PLEASE BRING GENTLY USED CLOTHES AND BOOKS
TO CLIFFSIDE PS 27 EAST HAVEN DR BY NOVEMBER 15

Part 2

Raise a Reader

Wednesday, November 8
6:30-8:00 PM (on Zoom)

Inviting all K-Grade 8
TDSB families
(including K-2 French
Immersion)

We will continue to
explore strategies,
activities, and routines
that contribute to reading
growth and builds interest
and joy for reading



Presenters:

Gail Bedeau-Hopkinson

Holly Bruyea

Laurel Eisenberg

Laurel Moulant

Lorraine Valentine

Mubarak Baker

Onika Brown, Sharon Mittal

Soyini Chaderton-Downes

Troy Langevine

Uloma Onyido, Tisha Ray

Stephanie Wong

[Click here or
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Cliffside

Public School

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission at Cliffside is to empower all students to reach their full potential and to acquire the knowledge, critical thinking skills and values they need to become responsible members of a democratic society. To accomplish this mission, it is essential that we continue to provide a positive, supportive and safe learning environment where co-operation, personal responsibility and respect are valued and demonstrated.

CODE OF CONDUCT

Our code of conduct outlines our expectations that students will be safe, responsible and respectful members of our school and community. Cliffside students are:

SAFE

- Follow class and school rules (indoors and outdoors)
- Follow health and safety rules
- Keep hands and feet to ourselves

RESPONSIBLE

- Arrive on time and prepared to learn
- Think ahead and make good decisions
- Be helpful to others
- Accept responsibility for our actions

RESPECTFUL

- Follow **The Golden Rule**: Treat others as you wish to be treated
- Be kind, positive, and polite
- Take turns and share
- Respect the beliefs and rights of others

