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Dear Clinton Community:

As much as it was hard to top last week for Clinton Cougar activities and events, we certainly gave it our best try.

On Monday our gymnasium became a dance hall as the Canadian Folk Music Association Composers of the Year band, Vinta, played and students from all grades had chances to come to the gym, listen to the music, and learn some different dances.

Once the dancing in the gym concluded on Monday, our field was full of laughter throughout the afternoon on Tuesday as our primary-aged students were assembled into teams and were involved with Run, Jump, and Throw events. Congratulations to Team Orange for their razor-thin victory.

Wednesday morning found over one hundred Cougar families meeting bright and early at Christie Pits, in their full cycling gear, for our Bike to School event. We would like to thank the School Council for the coffee and Timbits and Toronto Police Constable, Sergeant Rodney Damaso, and the other officers for leading the Cougar Cycling team back to Clinton Street PS.

Music returned to Clinton on Thursday with rehearsals in the gym all day for the evening spring concert. The joy and excitement evident on the faces of the students throughout the day truly highlighted the importance and impact of arts education. The audience was treated to a memorable evening on a beautiful spring night. Many thanks to all the staff who worked so diligently, and altered their schedules, to make it all possible.

Finally, we wrapped up with the week with our Girls' Slo-Pitch Softball tournament at Palmerston. Given the quality of the practices that have been run by our volunteer teacher-coaches, the Chronicle editorial team is predicting that the Cougar team will play some great ball and represent our school with a lot of pride. We also predict that they will emerge from the day with a better winning percentage than the one currently held by the Toronto Blue Jays.

Still to Come in May at Clinton:

- Monday, May 20 Victoria Day no school
- Tuesday, May 21 Ultimate Frisbee Tournament @ Dovercourt
- Wednesday, May 22 Track and Field Meet @ Birchmount
- Thursday, May 23 Swim to Survive for Rooms 303 and 307
- Monday, May 27 Artsmart Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 29 Barrier-Free Track and Field Meet @ Variety Village
- Thursday, May 30 Swim to Survive for Rooms 303 and 307
- Friday, May 31 Rooms 302 and 300 to the Science Centre

Enjoy the holiday weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone back at Clinton on Tuesday, May 21.

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