

# DALLINGTON PS

November Newsletter 2024



## Parent Teacher Interviews

Please Join Us For Parent-Teacher Conferences  
**Thursday, November 14th**  
3:00 - 7:00 pm and  
**Friday, November 15th**  
8:00 am - 11:00 pm.

You should have received communication from your child(ren)'s teacher(s). Please be sure to sign up as soon as possible to secure your preferred time. We look forward to seeing you in your child(ren)'s classes!

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**Parent Council Chair: Alice Mansourian**

# LATEST UPDATES

As usual, we have been very busy at Dallington as students and staff have been engaged in a variety of activities both inside and outside of the classroom. We kicked off November with Take Me Outside Day and several of our classes have been on field trips. We truly value these experiential learning experiences and appreciate our staff organizing and providing these opportunities for our students.

Dallington spirit was on full display as some of our Grade 5 leaders led assemblies for our Grade 1-5 students to introduce the housleague season. There was so much enthusiasm as all of the students represented their teams. Special mention to the Orange and Pink teams for winning the cheering competition, but we are so proud of all of our students as they have already exhibited teamwork and sportsmanship.

Many of our athletes have represented Dallington to compete in their respective sports. We are always proud of how our students conduct themselves and represent our community. It's also nice, when they win a championship and bring home a banner...GO GIRLS SOCCER!!!

Thank you all for your patience as our construction projects continue to progress. We are glad that we have been able to start enjoying some of the upgrades.

We are excited for all that's to come in the coming months and thank our parent/guardian/caregiver community for all the ongoing support.

# PARENT COUNCIL

Happy November to all! As we step into November, the school council is exploring some new fundraising ideas to support our school community. We are considering options like school-branded apparel or accessories, a book fair and a movie night.

We are also thrilled to report that our Pizza Lunch fundraiser has been a great success! A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the parent and guardian volunteers, as well as our student helpers. Your support-whether for one lunch or many-is truly appreciated.

In October, we held our first School Council meeting. A big thank you to all the parents and guardians who attended. During the meeting, new Council members were voted in, and shortly after, the Council elected its executive positions.

We are excited to announce our new members:

- Alice Mansourian - Chair
- Nadia Ng - Co-Chair/Chair
- Bonnie Wilkinson - Co-Chair
- Venessa Sandy - Treasurer
- Mariia Shapunova - Secretary
- Alex Franklin - Secretary

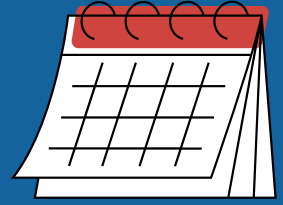


We would like to extend a special thank you to the outgoing Parent Advisory Council for the 2023/2024 school year. Their incredible dedication and fundraising efforts have made a significant impact on our community, and we are truly grateful for all they have accomplished.

We are still looking for a Co-Treasurer to join our team. If you're interested in getting involved, please reach out to us—we'd love to have you on board! Contact Us: [dallingtonpspac@gmail.com](mailto:dallingtonpspac@gmail.com) MEETING INFORMATION:

**Our next School Council meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, December 12th, 2024, at 6:30 PM. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend!**

# UPCOMING DATES



## 2024 NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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- Pizza Lunch - Please try to send a reusable container!**
- Subway Lunch**
- Photo Retake Day**
- Dental Screening**
- Remembrance Day**
- Eco Team Meeting**
- PA Day - No School**
- Nov. 14- 15 Interviews**

# GOOD TO KNOW



## Early French Immersion Begins in Junior Kindergarten

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



Apply Online at [www.tdsb.on.ca/french](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/french)



## Pay School Fees Online with SchoolCashOnline



## 2024-2025 International Languages Elementary and African Heritage Programs



### Dallington P. S.

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This fall we will be offering the following languages at our school:

- Arabic
- Spanish
- Farsi (on the waiting list now)

#### NEW!

A minimum of 25 registered students are required to open a language (new or existing) class.

A waiting list will be created once class enrolment exceeds 25.

Classes run every Wednesday from 2:45 to 5:15 p.m.

First class is Sept. 25, 2024

### Registration Information (Two ways)

1. Now to Sept 5, 2024:  
Online - Avoid the lineups and reserve your spot!  
Link: [www.ileahprograms.ca](http://www.ileahprograms.ca)

2. Starting from Sept. 18, 2024:  
Manual Registration (in person):  
Every Wednesday, 2:45 – 5:15 pm  
Location: Foyer

Please bring:

- Child's OEN number (on student's report card)
- Health card number
- Emergency contact name and phone number.
- The \$20 materials fee may be paid by cheque, (Payable to 'TDSB-Int'l Languages'), Credit Card (VISA or MasterCard), debit card, or Interac payment.

### Contact Information

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## WE ARE A SOLAR SCHOOL



and have offset **20** tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> in 2024

That's like taking **4** cars off the road!

## Virtual Drop-In Hours: Pathways To Care For Mental Health



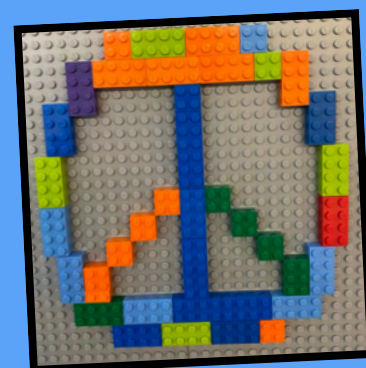
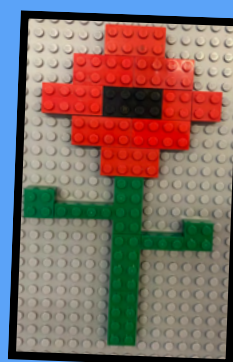
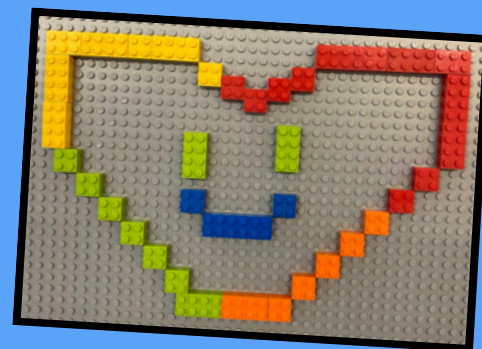
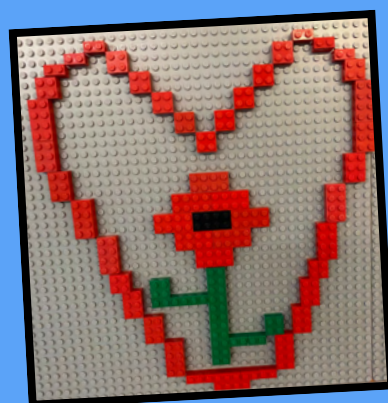
# MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARY



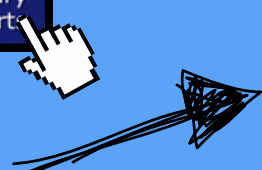
Dallington Public School is excited to offer an incredible resource that extends learning beyond the classroom: the **Dallington Virtual Library**. This comprehensive platform provides a wealth of tools to support student success. Students can explore a wide variety of e-books, dive into coding and STEAM activities, and discover resources dedicated to parents and families.

The virtual library also features French-language materials and offers free 1:1 online math tutoring with Ontario Certified Teachers.

We encourage you to explore the Dallington Virtual Library together with your child and make the most of these valuable resources. Happy Learning!

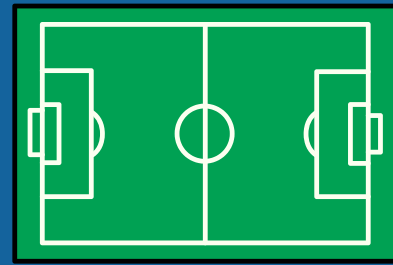


Check out the  
LEGO Art (STEAM)





# DALLINGTON ATHLETICS



## Soccer

Congratulations to our girls and boys soccer teams who both had excellent seasons and trained hard to play their best!

An extra shout out to our girls soccer team who were the Division 2 Conference Champions! They dominated all of their games and were undefeated this season!



Thank you to the ongoing parent support from our parent community to drive students, cheer on players from the sidelines, and so much more.

**GO DRAGONS GO!**



# DALLINGTON ATHLETICS



**GOOOOO DRAGONS!**







# DALLINGTON ATHLETICS



Congratulations to our cross country semi-finalists who ran a great race at Earl Bales Park! We had 6 runners run the race for a chance to make it to the city finals this year.



## Cross Country



Congratulations to Mahir in grade 4 who represented Dallington as our Cross Country city finalist! He ran a great race at Sunnybrook Park.

We had a great Cross Country season and we will see you ready to run back in September 2025!

## Upcoming Sports Teams

Grade 5 Boys Volleyball and Grade 5 Girls Basketball will be starting this month for the late fall season. Grade 4 students are permitted to try out but there is no guarantee they'll make it. Basketball practices will be on Wednesdays and Fridays at lunch. Volleyball practices will be on Mondays and Thursdays at lunch.





# DALLINGTON HOUSE LEAGUES



All of the students from Grade 1 to Grade 5 have been put into a house. They will be competing this year in various activities at first recess. The houses are competing against one another and at the end of the month, the house that has the highest points will win the house cup for the month. Please ask your child(ren) which house they belong to and which activities they are participating in.

On Tuesday, October 29th, Mme Golpaygani's class organized and ran an amazing, high-spirited assembly to kick off house leagues. They taught their house members cheers and then performed them in front of the assembly. The Grade 5 students were great leaders, who made sure that everyone felt included in their house. We are proud of you!

The first points of the year went to the Pink Team (Junior Assembly) and the Orange Team (Primary Assembly). Keep up the great effort everyone and GO DRAGONS GO!



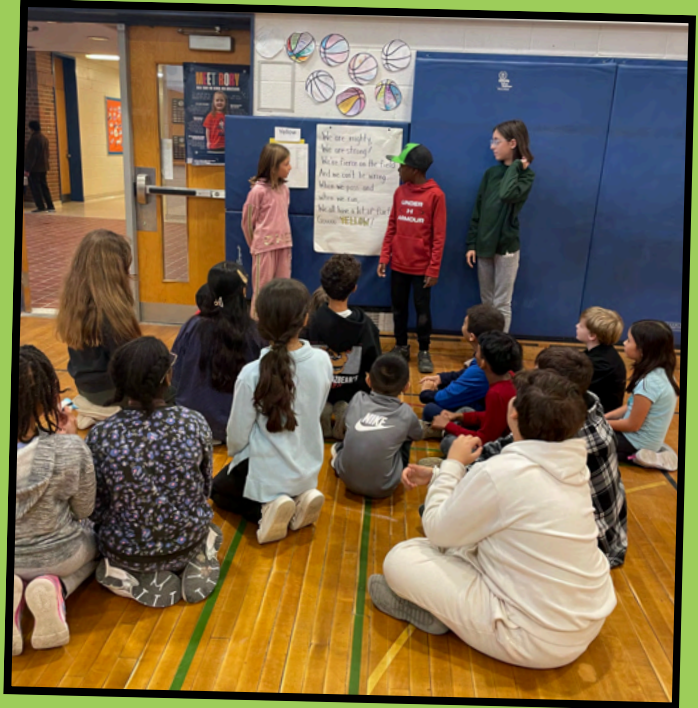
Dallington now has House League teams open to students in grades 1-5!

Thank you to Ms. Pavuk, Mme Golpayegani, and Ms. Bellitti for implementing this new sporting opportunity at our school.

Check out the team cheers in the junior hallway!



# HOUSE LEAGUE ASSEMBLIES



# CHECK OUT THE FALL BULLETIN BOARDS



*Mrs. Chung with the help of her students made this beautiful board at the front of the school. Be sure to check it out when you come inside!*



# CHECK OUT THE FALL BULLETIN BOARDS



*Art from Mme Veneat's and Mme Beaulieu's Kindergarten Class*



*Art from Mrs. Barber's and Ms. Vasantharaj's Kindergarten Class*



*Art from Mme Gahongera's and Mme Baghdassarian's Kindergarten Class*

# DALLINGTON ECO TEAM

In October, our Eco Team was able to spend a lot of time in the garden learning about plant identification, weeding, and looking for plants going to seed. Our students love being here!

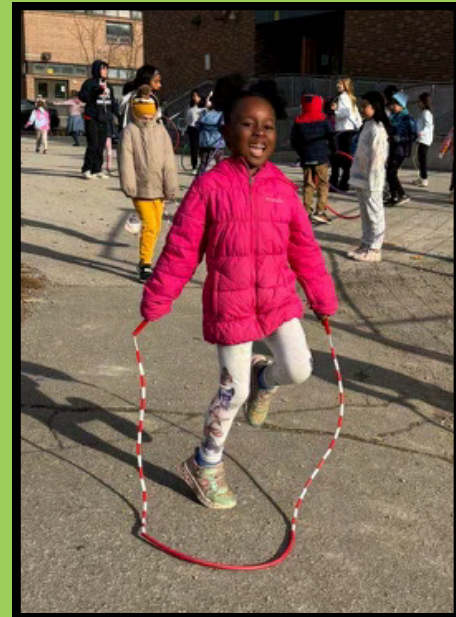
This month, our Eco Team will be learning how to make paper once again. We will be using recycled paper to make 'new' upcycled paper and cards for ourselves and for our second annual Eco Holiday Market. Stay tuned for more details. Our meetings this month will be on Tuesdays at lunch instead of Wednesdays.

If you would like to volunteer and support our Eco Team, please email Mme Goumakos at [alexandra.goumakos@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:alexandra.goumakos@tdsb.on.ca)



# TAKE ME OUTSIDE DAY

On Friday, November 1st, we had our first Take Me Outside Day of the year! Our learners had a fun filled day outdoors. They engaged in activities of their choice, which included: soccer, basketball, jump rope, chalk art, dance zone, drawing, leaf throwing, and so much more! Stay tuned for our next TMO Day and thank you to our parent community who came out to support us. Stay Green Dallington!



# WILLOWGROVE FARM

Mrs. Mehta's, Mrs. Forman's, Mme Woolner's, and Mme Shulman's primary classes went to Willowgrove farm during pumpkin season. They got to enjoy a Fall nature walk, learned about the pumpkin life cycle, discussed the needs of farm animals, went on a wagon ride, and collaborated to make a pumpkin scarecrow! They also explored the concepts of floating and sinking and learning what makes things sink or float. All students got to take a small pumpkin home as well. They had so much fun!





# TREETOP TREKKING

All of the junior grade 4 and 5 students went Treetop Trekking in late October and they had a blast! They got to go through discovery courses, tree walk, go on the trampoline, and zip line. It was a beautiful fall adventure!



This is me climbing on the wooden stairs.



This is Lucas on the Treetop Trekking obstacles.



This is me (Namasvi) going on the Discovery walk. I felt like I was surfing.

# TREETOP TREKKING



This is me sitting on a rock with my classmate.



Hi I am Alecia. I went to Treetop-Trekking. I went on Wobbly Wood.



# NOVEMBER IS INDIGENOUS EDUCATION MONTH AT THE TDSB



Every November is Indigenous Education Month at the Toronto District School Board. This month is an important reminder to centre First Nations, Métis and Inuit perspectives, voices, histories, and contemporary realities. In classrooms across the TDSB, it is an opportunity to learn about treaties, Indigenous leadership, achievements, resistance and creativity.

Truth and Reconciliation is a strategic direction at TDSB. Throughout November, students, staff and community members honour a number of important days to deepen knowledge, to learn together about our shared histories and to build stronger relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Peoples.

**Treaties Recognition Week is the first week of November.**

**November 7 is International Inuit Day.**

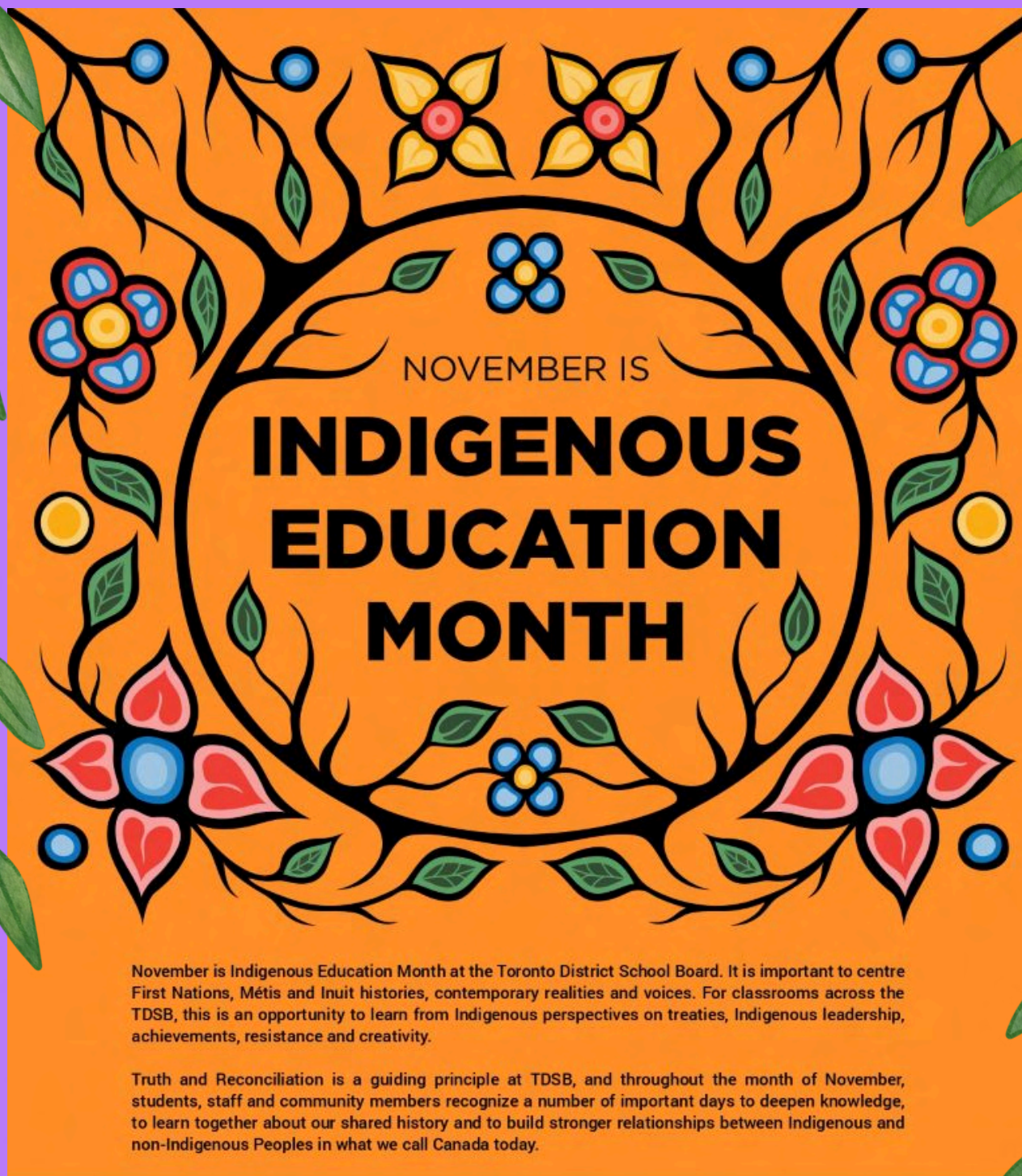
**November 8 is Indigenous Veterans Day, and**

**November 16 is Louis Riel Day in Ontario.**

During this month, UIEC hosts virtual and in-person events for the TDSB community, and some past guests include: Elder Dr. Duke Redbird; Elder Naulaq LeDrew; Jason Madden; Tasha Spillet; Dr. Pamela Palmater; Ange Loft; Tauni and Albie Sheldon; Traditional Knowledge Practitioner, Clayton Shirt; Dr. Pamela Rose Toulouse; Tanya Talaga; David A. Robertson; Shanese Steele; Alyssa and Conlin Delbaere-Sawchuk; Jean Teillet, and Theola Ross.

- Taken from the TDSB UIEC Website

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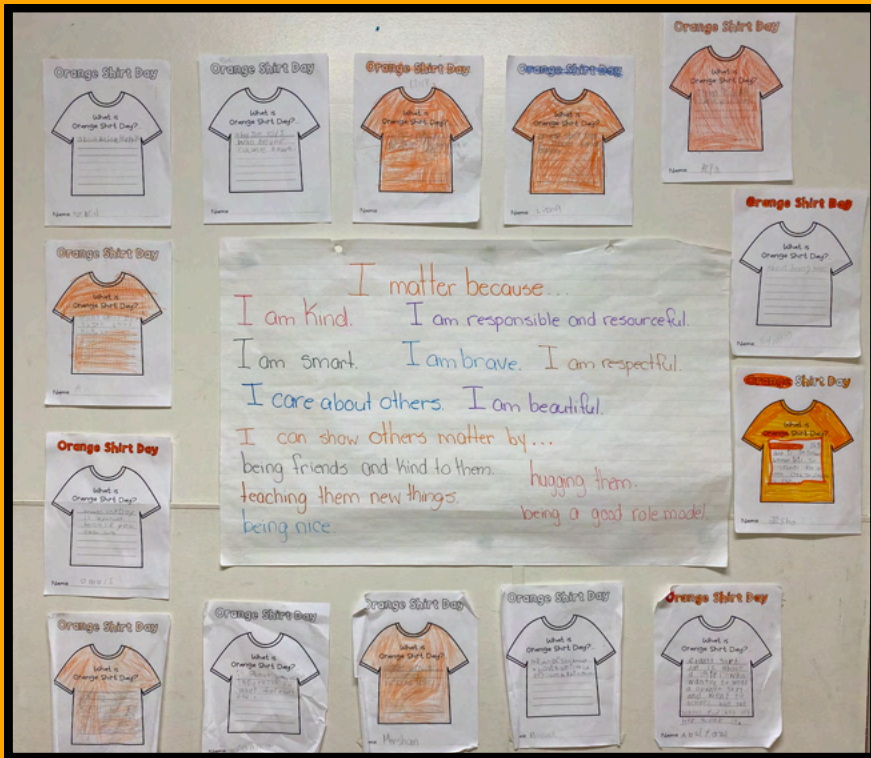
[CLICK HERE](#) for resources to support Treaties Week, Inuit Day, Indigenous Veterans Day, Louis Riel Day

**INDIGENOUS EDUCATION IS ALL DAY EVERYDAY**

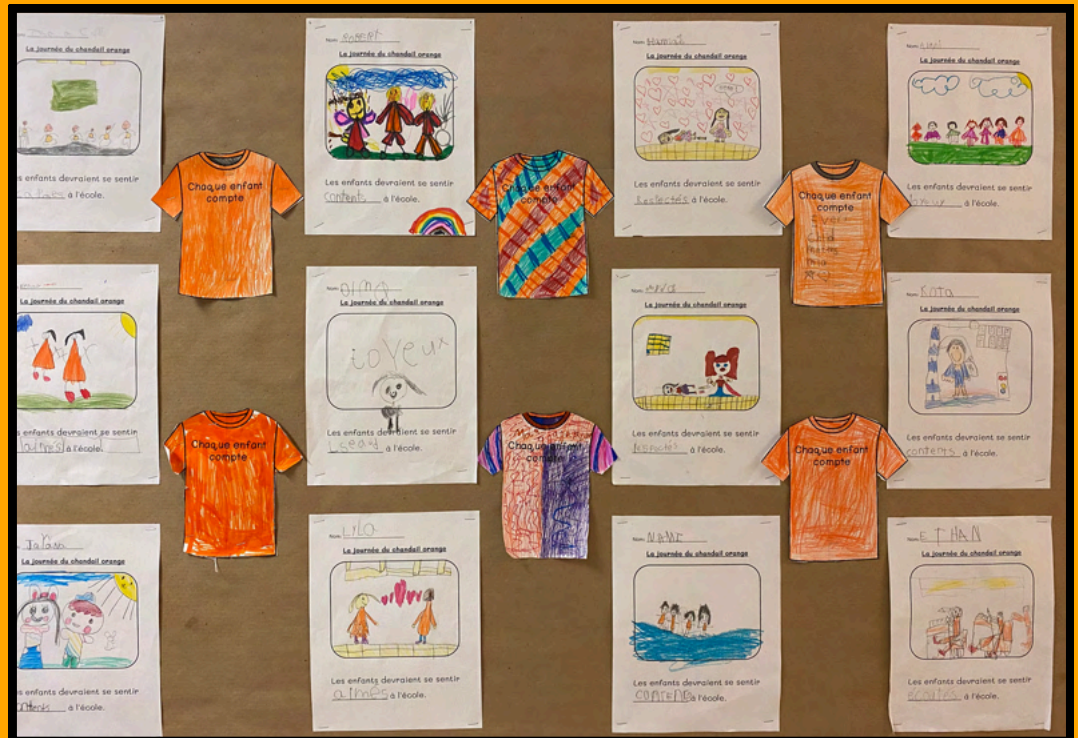


# NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION & ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Here is some of the learning that took place in honour of Indigenous Education since the beginning of the school year.



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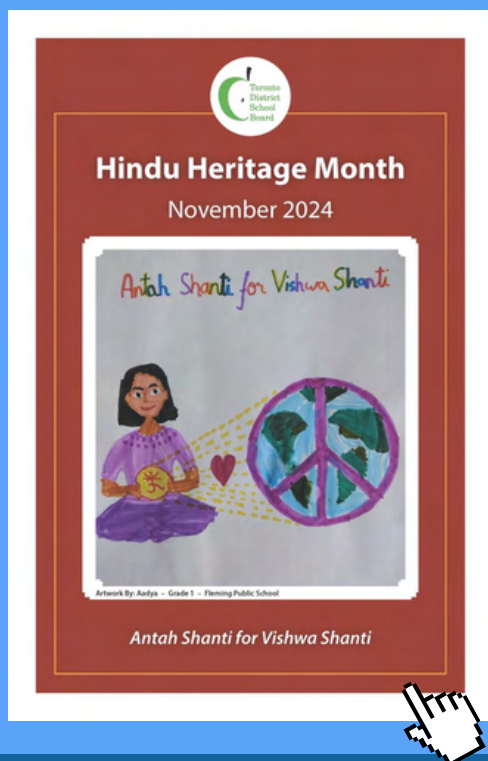


# NOVEMBER IS HINDU HERITAGE MONTH

The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) is proud to recognize Hindu Heritage Month during the month of November. This heritage has been celebrated by our students, staff, and the community since April 2018 as a result of a motion passed by the Board of Trustees. Further, Hindu Heritage Month has been recognized in the Province of Ontario since 2016 with the declaration Hindu Heritage Month Act, 2016.

This year's theme is Antah Shanti for Vishwa Shanti. This Sanskrit phrase conveys that to foster World (Vishwa) Peace (Shanti) we need to have Inner (Antah) Peace (Shanti). Here are the three winning images below from our Hindu Heritage Month Poster Contest where all students across the system were invited to participate.

\*Taken from the TDSB website.

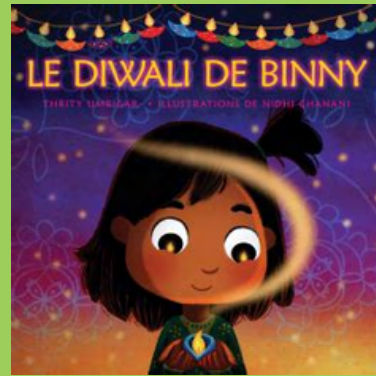
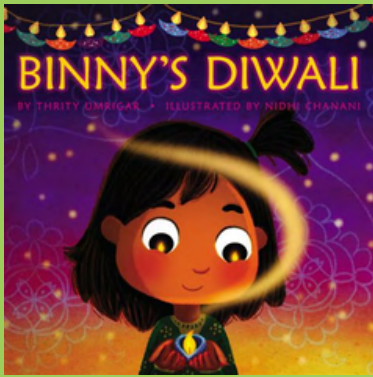




# DIWALI



Happy Diwali to all of the members of our community that celebrated at the beginning of this month. Diwali is the Hindu Festival of Lights. Many classes learned about this holiday using books, watching videos, and having rich conversations.



# HALLOWEEN

