

635 Queens Quay West Toronto, ON Canada M5V 3G3 Tel: (416) 393-8500 Fax: (416) 393-8503

March 11, 2016

Dear Families,

As you know, we have been approved by the TDSB's Continuing Education Department, to have a Summer School Program once again at The Waterfront School for current JK/SK to Grade 8 students.

The theme of the program for Grade 1 to 8 students is "City Planning." Literacy and Numeracy will be taught and enriched through the Arts, STEM, and Environment activities. Gr. 1-8 students will also have the opportunity to participate in Phys. Ed. activities. City planning is also the theme of the program for Kindergarten students, with a focus on "Primary Readiness". Motivated, eager to learn JK- Grade 8 students, who meet the criteria, will be accepted from other schools, as well. Certified teachers will teach the Summer School program.

Research indicates that students who participate in Summer School programs tend to maintain the learning they have gained during the school year. Summer School also provides a good opportunity for Kindergarten students to strengthen, reading, printing, and math skills prior to Gr. 1, and for Gr. 7 and 8 students to deepen their understanding of literacy and numeracy concepts prior to attending high school. All students will have the opportunity to build on current knowledge and to develop new friendships as the students come from various schools.

The program takes place from Tuesday, July 5th to Friday, July 29th at 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for Gr. 1-8 students, and from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. for Kindergarten students, on weekdays. Regular attendance is necessary - students are required to attend the program each day. A morning snack will be provided by the Continuing Education Dept. Registration for the program is required. Please review the summer school package, sign the media release, complete the attached registration form, and return it to The Waterfront School, with a copy of your child's most recent report card, no later than Friday, April 29th, 2016.

We will be working with the Harbourfront Community Centre and St. Stephen's Daycare to develop a program that works within the larger community. Please note that all Kindergarten students would need to be picked up immediately after the program ends at 11:30 each day, and that Gr. 1-6 students would need to be picked up by 3:00 p.m. No staff supervision is available after the program ends. Grade 7 and 8 students would be required to leave the school grounds/premises immediately after the program ends at 3:00 pm. Only Grade 7 and 8 students registered in specific HCC programs would be able to stay at HCC after the Waterfront Summer School program ends at 3:00 p.m. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact the school office at 416-393-8500.

Yours truly,

K. Barnes Principal