



# Dundas PS Weekly Updates

**Update #9 – Friday, April 13, 2018**

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## Dundas PS 2018/2019 Staffing Model

- Through consultation with staff, parents/guardians, and community members, the following staffing model has been created and approved by our Superintendent of Education, for the 2018/2019 school year:

English Primary Division:	English Junior Division:	Special Education/Prep(The Arts)	French Division
1.0 JK/SK A	1.0 Gr. 3/4	1.0 Resource with MART	1.0 FSKA
1.0 JK/SK B	1.0 Gr. 4/5	1.0 LOI(gr.4/5)/Core French	1.0 FSK B (no ECE)
1.0 JK/SK C		1.0 Prep-Arts/STEAM -	1.0 Gr.1/2 A FI
1.0 JK/SK D (no ECE)		1.0 Prep-Gym	1.0 Gr. 1/2 B FI
1.0 Gr.1/2 A		1.0 HSP(jr.)/Prep(The Arts)	1.0 Gr. 1/2 C FI
1.0 Gr. 1/2 B		1.0 Library/media literacy	1.0 Gr. 1/2 D FI
1.0 Gr. 2/3 A		1.0 ISP Behaviour-Primary	1.0 Gr. 4 Ext Fr.
1.0 Gr. 2/3 B		1.0 Reading recovery/Prep(The Arts)	1.0 Gr. 5 Ext Fr.
1.0 Gr. 2/3 C		0.5 Resource	

## TDSB Update on Primary Homeschool Programs

- Please note that beginning in September, 2018, there will no longer be primary Home School Programs in the Toronto District School Board- This program was initially put in place to support students in Grades 1 to 3 who required intensive support in Reading, Writing and Math.

- Beginning in September, 2018, our schools will be looking at an integrated model for delivering support to students with special learning needs.
- At Dundas, we will be having one of our special education teachers work with the regular grade program teachers in the morning and with students who need to be supported in Reading, Writing and/or Math. This will allow for collaborative teaching opportunities between teachers, more student integration and more differentiation of programming.
- The support will take place in the regular grade classroom, although, from time to time, students may be moved into a quieter area to work with one of the teachers and a group of students on a specific activity. We are looking forward to continuing to provide our students with the support they need in order to continue learning in a safe, nurturing and inclusive environment.
- *Please note, that for the 2018-2019 school year, our junior Home School Program for students in Grades 4 and 5 will continue as a withdrawal program for half a day, mornings only.*

### **Playground Construction Update**

- On Wednesday Apr. 11, 2018 a pre-construction meeting was held for the Playground Revitalization Project. In the next three weeks (weather permitting) we hope to have work begin on our new playground structure, which was funded through the endeavours of our Dundas Parent Council, along with fencing around our school property including Queen Alexandra Middle School.

### **KIWANIS CLUB BEFORE AND AFTER CARE PROGRAM AT DUNDAS**

- **Registration for the Toronto Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club before and after care program will open on Tuesday May 1, 2018. Please note that registration will take place ONLINE this year. A household account must be created before registration for the before and after care program.**
- **To create a household account, please visit the following link:**  
<http://online.traxsolutions.com/torontokiw/dundas>.
- **This link will go live on Tuesday Apr. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 12pm. For more information please see the attached flyer.**

### **Dundas has a new Settlement Worker**

- Dundas is very happy to welcome Yan Gu from CultureLink to our community, please see her introduction below, and see that attached flyer for more information:
- I am very excited to start offering settlement services at Dundas Junior Public School and Queen Alexandra Middle School. My name is Yan GU. I am assigned to work as a Settlement Worker from CultureLink, which is a non-profit community agency, at your school to assist and support newcomer students and their families. I provide one on one individual consultation services,

such as how to apply for government funded benefit programs, Permanent Resident application and renewal, Citizenship application, government's letter of interpretation, and filling out different kinds of application forms. In addition, I help you access the information regarding education, English classes, employment, housing, tax, legal, and immigration such as parent visiting visa. If you would like to get these information and need any help, please feel free to contact me at 647-2830784, or email me by [ygu@culturlink.ca](mailto:ygu@culturlink.ca). Thank you.

- 很高兴被派到你的学校来协助新移民学生和他们的父母。我叫顾岩。我是 CultureLink 社区非盈利机构新派到学校的安居辅导员（或叫社工），我可以免费为你提供一对一的客户服务，包括新移民来到加拿大后如何申请福利，如何更新枫叶卡和公民申请，解读政府信件，填写各种表格，咨询教育，语言班，工作，住房，税务，法律，父母探亲等各方面的信息，还有我会根据需要，定期举办一些讲座，如公民申请和考试，老人房和老人金申请，药物福利，和找工作技巧等等。您如有这些方面的需求，请联系我。我的电话是647-2830784，邮箱是 [ygu@culturelink.ca](mailto:ygu@culturelink.ca)。谢谢。

### International Day of **Pink** Recognition

- Thank you to all of the staff and students who wore **Pink** on **Wednesday, April 11** to show your support for ending bullying and discrimination
- All classes took the following Day of Pink Pledge and will work towards fulfilling their responsibilities as a member of the Dundas PS community to support this pledge

#### **The Dundas Day of Pink Pledge**

- ***We believe in a world where love outshines hate.***
- We commit to standing up and speaking out against intolerance, mean words, and bullying.
- We respect all humankind and we will make an effort to help everyone we see in need, because we believe that people who are different than us are important to our society, and our differences are what make each and every one of us special and unique.
- ***We will stand up not stand by*** when we see someone being bullied because of their race, culture, gender, language, disability, or any other attribute.

### Science & Engineering Summer Camp at Dundas PS

- Dundas PS & The University of Toronto Engineering Outreach program will be offering a free of charge Science and Engineering Camp for students who have completed grades 2 through 5 from **July 3 – July 27, 2018**
- Students will engage in exciting design projects and challenging science experiments to gain an appreciation of the diverse array of academic and career options

- Areas of inquiry will include: biology, chemistry, physics, and applied science (electrical, chemical and civil engineering)
- Please see the attached registration form, and return it to the Dundas PS Main Office ASAP
- For more information about the camp please read the attached flyer, call 416-946-0816 or email outreach@ect.utoronto.ca

### **Parents as Partners Conference – April 28, 2018**

- Registration opens on March 1 for the free, annual Parents as Partners Conference. Meet other parents, attend valuable workshops and find resources available in your community
- Please use the link below to register and learn more about this exciting opportunity for parents and guardians
- <http://www.parentsaspartners.ca/>

### **Helping Students Succeed**

- Trustees approved broad directions to enhance our support for each and every student in the TDSB. Learn how we're moving forward to ensure that each and every student has the right tools, resources, access and opportunities they need to thrive
- Please use the link below to view more details
- <http://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Equity/Related-Reports/Directors-Response-to-the-Enhancing-Equity-Task-Force>

### **April is Latin American & Sikh Heritage Month**

- We will be celebrating these heritage months, and our student winners for COOPERATION with an assembly on **Friday, March 27 @ 10:20 am**
- Learn more about how we're recognizing this month  
<http://www.tdsb.on.ca/News/Article-Details/ArtMID/474/ArticleID/1044/April-is-Latin-America-History-Month>  
<http://www.tdsb.on.ca/Media/News/ArtMID/2750/ArticleID/1043/April-is-Sikh-Heritage-Month>

### **Upcoming Class Trips & Events**

- April 16 – Lunch time – Caring & Safe Schools Meeting
- April 18 – Grade 1-3 classes to the Toronto Symphony
- April 20 – Jump Rope for Heart Assembly – 10:20 – 10:50 am
- April 22 – Earth Day
- April 23 – 800m & 1500m Tryouts

- April 24 – 9:00 am – 11:30 am – Grade 1 – 5 Track Morning
- April 24 – 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm - Parent Council Meeting
- April 25 – 9:00 am – 11:30 am – Grade 4 & 5 Track Morning
- April 25 – 9:00 am – 11:30 am – Room 131 to THS
- April 26 – Dundas Track Rain date
- April 27 – Coffee & Conversation with Georgia and Kristin
- April 27 – Cooperation Assembly – 10:20 am