



# Dundas PS Weekly Updates

**Update #6 – Friday, March 23, 2018**

**@Dundas\_TDSB**

We hope that you enjoyed a wonderful March Break. It is hard to believe that this week we began planning for the 2018-2019 school year. The process begins with our allocation of staff for the coming year. As we move through the preparation for next year it is important that we have up to date information on our students. If you know that you will be moving or that your child will be attending another school in the coming school year, we would ask that you let the office know as soon as possible. Our school organization is based on projected numbers so the more accurate information we have the more stable our plans can be. In honour of Earth Hour Tomorrow night, Dundas powered down between 2-3 p.m. today. Students have been challenged to power down Saturday March 24th during Earth Hour...what will your family be doing?

**Happy Nooruz to our families who celebrated the Persian New Year on the 21st!**

## Rose Ave. Summer School Program Registration is Open

- Rose Ave. will be hosting a free summer school program for students in grades 1-5 from **July 4 – July 27, 2018**
- Students will be engaged in a consistent and comprehensive literacy and numeracy program to develop their reading, writing, and mathematics skills, while building interest and self-confidence in preparation for school in September 2018
- Registration forms have been sent home – and are also attached if needed
- Forms (registration form and transportation form) are due back to the school by **Friday, April 13, 2018**

## Parent Council Equity Session for Parents and Guardians

- Thank you to the Dundas Parent Council for hosting a session on Math & Equity for our community on March 22 with presenter Melvin Lowe

### **Ward Forum on Outdoor Play & Learning**

- Trustee Jennifer Story, Ward 15 Toronto-Danforth and Trustee Chris Moise, Ward 14 Toronto Centre-Rosedale invite parents/guardians to a Ward Forum to learn more about OPAL – the first program in Canada that aims to make play an integral part of the school day
- This event will be held on **Tuesday, March 27 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm @ Cosburn Middle School**
- Please see the attached flyer for more details

### **Model School for Inner City Parent Academy**

- Parents are invited to the MSIC Parent Academy on **Tuesday, March 27 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm @ Lord Dufferin JSP**
- This workshop will provide parents/guardians an opportunity to learn more about:
  - Teaching Your Child to Read- explore ways to support your child at home to read and build confidence with literacy.
  - Exploring the Curriculum Through a Lens of Inquiry Based Learning- discover how curriculum and structures can encourage a curiosity to learn in collaboration with others and how do we know when my child is performing well.
- Please see the attached flyer for more information

### **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/>

### **Excellence Awards for Teachers**

- Do you know a staff member who goes above and beyond to support our students? Now is the time to honour that outstanding individual with an Excellence Award nomination
- Please visit the website below for more information
- <http://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Innovation/Excellence>
- Deadline is March 19, 2018

## 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>

## March is Greek Heritage Month in the TDSB

- We will be celebrating Greek Heritage Month with an assembly on **Thursday, March 29 @ 10:20 am**
- Students are encouraged to wear **BLUE** and **WHITE** on this day to help us celebrate
- Learn more about how we're recognizing this month
- <http://www.tdsb.on.ca/News/ArticleID/1179/ArtMID/468>

## March Class Trips & Events

- Mon., March 26 - 12:30am -2:30pm - MLSE Launchpad - Gr. 5 English & French
- Wed. Mar. 28 6:30pm – Dundas Parent Council Meeting - Library
- Thurs., March 29 – 10:20 am – Honesty Assembly and Greek Heritage Celebration –OPA!
- Mar. 30 Passover begins and ends Apr. 7
- Mar. 30 Good Friday
- Apr. 2 Easter Monday
- Apr. 5 Panfest
- Apr. 6 Eastern Orthodox Good Friday
- Apr. 9 Eastern Orthodox Easter Monday
- Apr. 11 Day of Pink