



FRANKLAND'S NEWSLETTER

April is Sikh Heritage Month at the TDSB

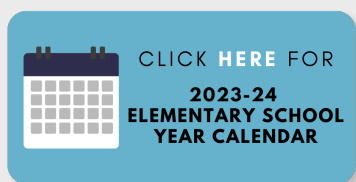
Important Dates and Events



- Mar 29h - Good Friday (No School)
- April 1st - Easter Monday (No School)
- April 8th - Solar Eclipse PA Day (No School)
- April 10th - Pizza Lunch
- April 15th - LunchBox Orders ([Subway/ Burger's Priest](#))
- April 24th - Pizza Lunch
- April 29th - LunchBox Orders ([Subway/ Burger's Priest](#))

School Council Meeting

- 7:30 pm in the Library
- Wednesday, April 16th, 2024
- Wednesday, May 15th, 2024
- Wednesday, June 12th, 2024



Falcon Highlights

Important Reminder: Spring Hot Lunch Sign Up Deadline is Today (Thursday, March 27th, 2024)

Thursday, March 27th is the last day to sign up for hot lunches that continue from April 2nd - June 27th. Please meet this deadline to ensure students are registered correctly!

[SPRING HOT LUNCH SIGN UP LINK](#)

Hope You Saw 'Yee Haw'!



Photo above: Falcons performing Yee Haw

The staff and students hoped you enjoyed the incredible performances of Yee – Haw, The Musical. All students from Grades 1 to 6 had a role to play. Frankland has such talented students and staff. What a show! The fantastic staff were so supportive and flexible to move their timetables around to allow for rehearsals, the wonderful parent volunteers helped with costumes and backstage supervision, the stage crew and set

Athletics

Spirit Wear Deadline is Friday, March 29th, 2024

The online school spirit wear store is only open until tomorrow, **Friday, March 29th, 2024!**

Follow the steps on the website to have your order shipped FREE to the school. Mr. Sykes will hand out all the gear when it arrives in 6-8 weeks.

Here is the link to get your spirit wear!

<https://www.schoolwear.ca/fcs/>

Go Falcons Go!



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ATHLETICS**

(Falcon Highlights cont'd)

designers made the west come alive, the cast sang and danced their hearts out and choir filled the gym with their joyful voices. Thank you so much to Ms. Stanley and Mr. Sykes for your direction, guidance and leadership!

The performances were recorded and are now available to be viewed at this link:

<https://youtu.be/15xTXz-InhE> - March 6

<https://youtu.be/zREbvETmknU> - March 7



A special thank you to John's Video (on Pape) for loaning us the recording equipment.

Frankland Spring Swap 2024

It is finally time for Spring cleaning! Frankland is excited to share the Spring Swap event on **Monday, April 15th, 2024 from 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm in the gymnasium!** With the help of parent

volunteers, staff, and Mr. Bieler's Grade 6 class, the Spring Swap will be an occasion to swap and donate clothing, books, games and toys that are in good condition.



From now until Friday, April 12th, 2024, families are invited to drop off items in labelled bags to the foyer of the school. Please label bags so

that students and volunteers can sort accordingly.

If you have any questions about the event, please email [Danny Floh Back](#).

Updates from the School Trustee

March Update from Trustee Sara Ehrhardt

I hope that it has been a good March break for everyone.

We are well into budget season for the TDSB. There is a structural deficit brought on by provincial underfunding. Starting next week there will be meetings that discuss in more detail proposed cuts and increases to fees that could take place without provincial funding to fill the gaps. There are proposed changes to outdoor education, continuing education including Learn4Life and International Language programs, and proposed fees for International Baccalaureate (IB) programs, among other things.

I do not support cuts and believe that increased provincial funding is needed for our schools. There is an opportunity for members of the public to present to the TDSB on March 26, I would encourage people to come and share views with the full board of trustees.

I will also be holding an in-person drop-in time the evening of Thursday, March 28 for anyone who would like to discuss the budget or other topics with me directly – please save this time and stay tuned for updates on location. The full board's first budget vote is Tuesday, April 2 and I wish to hear your views before that time. I am also happy to discuss other topics as time allows.

- Sara Ehrhardt

TDSB Trustee, Toronto-Danforth



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News You Can Use

Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month at the TDSB - Join Volunteer Planning Committee

Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month is recognized at the TDSB during the month of June. A volunteer planning committee is established annually to fulfil the mandate which includes planning educational opportunities on further learning on the Portuguese-Speaking heritage as well as to enrich the curriculum resources. The current members of the volunteer planning committee are looking for additional individuals to join them in implementing this mandate and develop system-wide educational opportunities for students, staff and the TDSB community.

The first planning meetings for Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month is on **Wednesday, April 3, 2024 from 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm**. To join, [click here](#) and use the details below:

Meeting ID: 263 250 781 996

Passcode: vGwaNd

Please contact [Dani Carnevale](#) for more information.

NEW TDSB Webpage: Resources to Address Inappropriate Social Media and A.I. Images

TDSB is offering a new resource online called [Resources to Address Inappropriate Social Media Images and AI](#). It is dedicated to helping Parents, Caregivers, Guardians, Staff, Children and Youth on navigating the digital safety world safely.

Go to the site to explore preventative measures and intervention strategies for inappropriate social media content, sextortion, and sexting. Find tips on preventing and addressing inappropriate online content. Also watch a short video from the Canadian Centre for Child Protection, offering essential insights into protecting children online.

NEW TDSB Webpage: Substance Use, Misuse and Abuse Resources

TDSB is further promoting awareness to staff and students about the critical importance of understanding and addressing the

Health and Safety

Respect in the Workplace

A gentle reminder to review important school policies committed to creating a teaching and learning environment that is respectful, equitable and inclusive for all students, staff, and families.

To better understand roles and responsibilities when it comes to in-person, and online, behaviour with others in the school community, please see the examples of inappropriate communication:

- Submitting high volume and frequency of communication to one or more TDSB employees
- Not cooperating the resolution process
- Refusal to accept a decision or explanation or repeatedly arguing the same points with no new additional information
- Not accepting that certain issues are not within the scope of TDSB to address
- Insisting that complaints be dealt with in ways which are incompatible with TDSB policies and procedures
- Making unjustified complaints about employees who are trying to deal with the issues raised in the complaint

The TDSB's [Code of Conduct](#) sets out standards of behaviour for all members of the school community, including parents. Adherence to this Code helps create a community and learning environment that is respectful for all.

Thank you for your continued support!

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complexities surrounding substance use, misuse and base among youth and the impact of substances on mental health and well-being. The new website, [Substance Use, Misuse and Abuse](#) has information for parents, caregivers, guardians, staff, children and youth which includes tips, identity affirming community agency contacts, and where one can seek supports for youth substance use, misuse and abuse.

If you have any questions, please contact Shameen Sandhu, System Leader, Mental Health and Professional Support Services at mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca

Lunch Programs

VIB Creator & STEM Clubs - Spring Term



VIB CREATOR & STEM CLUBS

Frankland Community School - Spring 2024

THE VIB STEM CLUB (Very Important Builders!)

Your lunch-time program will be the perfect blend of LEGO-based STEM activities and creativity, delivered with our learning through play methodology. Each week, builders will be given a STEM task and use LEGO® bricks to solve the challenge. Over progressive lessons, students will learn to work collaboratively, engage in critical thinking and understand the importance of communication in STEM activities. Most importantly, students will have a joyful learning experience.

FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 2-4, Thursday Lunch time- 4 Apr to 23 May \$150 +hst

[CLICK HERE FOR STEM CLUB REGISTRATION](#)

THE VIB CREATOR CLUB

Each week, young builders will be given a STEM-themed task and use LEGO® bricks and their imagination to creatively share their ideas. Over progressive lessons, students will learn to work collaboratively and develop confidence in their communication skills.

FOR STUDENTS IN JK TO GRADE 1, Thursday Lunch time- 4 Apr to 23 May \$150 +hst

[CLICK HERE FOR CREATOR CLUB REGISTRATION](#)

Please reach out directly if you have any questions to info@bricklabs.ca or by calling directly at 647-229-1664. - John Neretlis, Director, Brick Labs Inc.

For financial assistance please speak to your principal.



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Fun for Falcons

Solar Eclipse 2024 - Fun Facts

On Monday, April 8th, 2024, the solar eclipse's path will pass through Toronto and plunge the city into darkness for a few minutes. Due to safety concerns, there will be no school!

Here are a few fascinating facts about this year's eclipse:

- * Total darkness will begin in Toronto at around 3:15 pm
- * A solar eclipse occurs when the Sun, Moon, and Earth are aligned, casting a shadow on our planet
- * Totality (or total darkness) lasts a maximum of 4 minutes and 28 seconds
- * The totality is safe to look at. Only when the Moon's disk covers that of the sun
- * You won't need a telescope
- * The longest possible duration of darkness during the solar eclipse will be 7 minutes and 32 seconds on June 13th, 2132!



(Lunch Programs cont'd)

Spots are still open for the VIB Club!

Lunch clubs by Brick Labs Inc. are offered again at Frankland for the Spring term. The VIB Stem Club for students in Grades 2-4 is a lunch program that blends LEGO-based STEM activities and creativity, delivered through play methodology. The VIB Creator Club is for students in Grades JK-I. In this program, young builders will be given a STEM-themed task and use LEGO and imagination to creatively share their ideas. To register, please click [here](#) for the STEM Club and [here](#) for the Creator Club. For financial assistance, please speak to Stephen Parsons.

School Council

Fun Fair: Karaoke Fan Needed!

The fund fair team is looking for a parent to oversee Karaoke at the Fun Fair on Sunday, June 2nd, 2024. Are you a Karaoke fan? If this is you, please email rosemary.a.mcdougall@gmail.com!



Featured Falcons

All Falcons who are interested in submitting Creative Writing or Artwork for Frankland's Newsletter are invited to email the Frankland Press, Bo Karantjas at bosan.karantjas@gmail.com. Please submit work to get published in the next newsletter!

Thank you for reading!