



Co-operation is our April Character Attribute

Sikh Heritage Month
Genocide Awareness Month

2 World Autism Day
12 Passover
7 World Health Day WHO
9 International Day of Pink
11 Gr 5 Grad Photo Day
13 Palm Sunday
14 Vaisakhi (Tamil & Sikh New Year) Taoist
18 Good Friday
20 Easter Sunday
21 Easter Monday
22 Earth Day UN
23 Yonge Street Van Attack Remembrance Day
24 Yom HaShoah
24 Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day
25 Feast of St. Mark
27 – May 32 National Volunteer Week
28 National Day of Mourning in Canada

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Dear Parents/ Guardians/ Caregivers:

This month's activities will be wonderful. From World Autism Day, to Our Pink T-Shirt Day. On April 9th, activities are being planned to allow us all to come together and show our support of so many causes. Our anti-bullying awareness efforts collectively make a difference. These social justice causes allow us to come together to show our solidarity and support to each other. Pink T-shirt Day and social justice causes continue to be a focus that we embed in our daily learning at Gledhill. The Pride Club will be creating announcements and posters to promote the day and learning. Most importantly, the sense of individual growth and pride that our students demonstrate to us on a daily basis is of paramount importance. We want everyone to feel confident and proud to be at school. Such growth is a great tribute to Canadian and TDSB values of Equity and Inclusion. Build character, build success! Thank you to all our staff and parents who model and teach empathy, compassion and caring to our students.

We have Grad Photo Day on the 11th coming up, Passover begins on the 12th, then Track and Field Day on 17th, followed by the Easter weekend 18th-21st, Earth Day on the 22nd and then a special Open House, **Voices of the Land: Exploring Indigenous Perspectives and Environmental Stewardship** at the school on **April 24th from 2-3pm**. We have a wonderful student body that has engaged in so much learning about Indigenous Peoples of Canada and all of the learning will be open for live viewing, dropping in/out from 2-3pm on the 24th in your child's classroom. We have been working hard on this and we are excited to show all of you what we have been working on as a school and community. A formal invitation will be coming home in the form of a flyer with more information. Stay tuned!

We have participated in so many different sports, such as ball hockey, and basketball to mention a couple. We are slowly gearing up for Track in the Spring. Older students will be directing younger students for this day and we are looking forward to seeing their leadership and of course, the warmer weather.

We are pleased to see many of our students participating in extra-curriculars. From Glee Club, Mad Science Program, Choir or Ukelele practices, there are daily activities at lunch. There is something happening every day of the week. We are proud of everything we offer that makes us a great school.

It's truly an honour to serve the students, staff and community at Gledhill Jr PS.

Sincerely,

Peppi Kondilis-Minos

Special Education and Inclusion Video Series: Guides for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers

From learning about Individual Education Plans (IEPs) to navigating the Identification, Placement, and Review Committee (IPRC) process, these videos were designed to help families understand the Special Education programs, services, and supports available to students. [Learn more and watch.](#)

Ontario Coalition for Children and Youth Mental Health – Looking for Feedback

The Ontario Coalition for Children and Youth Mental Health has created resources to help you support your children's mental health. These resources are now [available online](#) and they are looking for feedback from parents, guardians, and caregivers. [Read the poster](#) to learn more and consider participating in a virtual focus group.

Summer School (see flyer below)

**Join us for our in-person
2025 Elementary Summer
School Program!**

Date: July 2 to July 25, 2025

Time: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Excellence Awards 2025 Nominations Now Open

Every year, [the TDSB Excellence Awards](#) help share the untold stories of extraordinary staff commitment, and we are delighted to announce that nominations for the Excellence Awards 2024 are now open.

We want to know about the TDSB staff you know who are supporting the success and wellbeing of our students, as well as our school and work communities, in so many different ways.

*We welcome nominations from anyone – staff, students, parents/caregivers or community members – so we encourage you to **submit nominations by Friday, April 4, 2025.***

For more information and to submit a nomination, please visit [the TDSB Excellence Awards website: tdsb.on.ca/excellence](#)

High Water Levels Brings Increased Risks

The Toronto and Region Conservation monitors hazardous ice conditions as thaw begins and are reminding everyone to be very careful around all bodies of water. The first hint of warming weather and the promise of spring thaw can bring extreme danger to the shores and surfaces of streams, rivers, ponds and lakes, according to Toronto and Region Conservation. As warmer temperatures arrive, stream banks become increasingly slippery and unstable. Lake and river ice weakens, becoming thinner or with higher flows breaking with little or no warning.

During this time, the potential for flooding and ice jamming is high. Higher, faster-flowing water and extreme cold temperatures combine to create increased dangers on or near rivers, streams and ponds for people wishing to enjoy the seasonal changes. Parents and caregivers are being asked to keep children away from stream banks, ponds and lakes.

Westwood Middle School



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Program Focus Description

- Math
- Literacy

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