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April 23, 2023 Newsletter

Hello Harbord parents/guardians and students:

I hope everyone continues to be well. In the blink of an eye, May will be around the corner and then June won't be far behind. The days are starting to be sunnier and warmer but stay focused, keep up the hard work, and always strive to be the best versions of yourselves! We are Harbord — and we have high expectations of ourselves and each other. We ROCK Harbord!!!

Here are some important upcoming information items:

UPCOMING SPECIAL SCHEDULES THIS WEEK

- SPECIAL LATE START - STUDENT SUCCESS MEETING - TUESDAY APRIL 25 - classes begin at 9:55am
- LATE START - PLC MEETING - WEDNESDAY APRIL 26 - classes begin at 9:55am
- PARENT/GUARDIAN TEACHER INTERVIEW DAY - THURSDAY APRIL 27 - 35 minute periods (school ends 11:35am)
- LATE START - FRIDAY APRIL 28 - classes begin at 9:55am

CANCELLED SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The *School Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, April 24 will be cancelled*. Our next School Council meeting is Monday, May 29, 2023 at 6:30pm - 8:00pm in the Library (second floor). As always, our meetings are open to all parents and caregivers with children attending Harbord. Looking forward to seeing you all on that date!

REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION

Harbord families will be receiving second semester mid-term report cards electronically this week (beginning Monday). A link will be sent in an email and you will be required to enter a password, which is the birthdate of your child. The format must be **MM/DD/YYYY**, including the forward slashes. Example: **05/03/2004** for the birthdate May 3, 2004.

PARENT/GUARDIAN TEACHER INTERVIEWS - THURSDAY APRIL 27, 2023

PARENT and GUARDIAN/TEACHER INTERVIEWS will take place on Thursday, April 27, 1-3pm (in-person interviews at Harbord CI in the main gymnasium) and 6-8pm (virtual). Information about Sign-up has been shared. If you have any questions, please speak with your child's teacher or connect with VP Bylykbashi. We will be having a special schedule on that day (Day 1):

SCHOOL SCHEDULE FOR Thursday, April 27 (Day 1)

9:00 - 9:35 a.m.	Period A
9:40 - 10:15 a.m.	Period B
10:20 - 10:55 a.m.	Period C
11:00 - 11:35 a.m.	Period D

Please note that the following day, **Friday, April 28 is a Late Start day.**

Parent/Guardian Teacher Interview Date: April 27, 2023

Times:

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (In- Person) - Main Gym

6:00 PM - 8:00 pm (Virtual)

TDSB STUDENT CENSUS 2023 - Friday April 28 (period 2)

Harbord students will be provided time to complete the TDSB Student Census during the second period on Friday, April 28. The Census was sent to student email addresses on April 17, 2023. As the Census is to be completed digitally, students may use a smartphone, tablet, desktop, laptop, or Chromebook – any device with an internet browser and internet service.

PROM INFORMATION

This year's Prom will take place on Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at Liberty Grand, Renaissance Ballroom (25 British Columbia Rd. Exhibition Place). A link was shared previously in an email for parents/guardians of graduating students to give permission for their child to attend this year's Prom. Permission forms must be completed by Sunday, April 30, 2023, at 11:59 pm.

Please note that a purchased ticket will only be valid with a completed/signed form from a parent or guardian. Please ensure that permission forms are completed prior to purchasing a ticket. Payment for Prom tickets is available through SchoolCashOnline. If needed, in-school ticket sales for both students and guests are scheduled for Tuesday, April 25th and Wednesday April 26th at lunch in room 221 (Ms. Michael).

GRAD GOWN PACKAGE ORDERING

This year's Commencement (graduation ceremony) will be on Friday, June 30, 2023, at 10am in our auditorium. After the graduation ceremony, there will be light refreshments served in the main gym. More information about Commencement Day will follow as we get closer to that magical day.

For our grade 12 graduates and families, you have received an email regarding the purchase of a grad gown, cap and tassel package. This is an optional purchase as our HCl grads may choose to wear or not wear a gown on Commencement Day. The order is made through Cash Online. Link to grad gown order page: <https://tdsb.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/163915/153/False/True>

The last date to place an order is on Monday, May 1st, to allow sufficient time for the vendor to fill the orders. Late orders will not be accepted. If a cash payment is needed, please contact Albert in the Guidance Office, by telephone or email (albert.fung@tdsb.on.ca), a receipt will be issued.

CELEBRATORY MOMENTS AND A BIT OF HARBORD 'HUMBLE-BRAG'!

Congratulations to our Key Club Co-Presidents Carolyn Huang and Annika Hardeman for representing Harbord at the The Kiwanis Club of Casa Loma's Key Club President's Dinner last week. At the Casa Loma dinner, our wonderful leaders spoke about Harbord's commitment and dedication to Key Club, our most meaningful volunteer and fundraising activity, and how we are making a difference in our community. Thank you to Carolyn and Annika for their leadership and passion, our Key Club members for their commitment to service, and to our staff advisor Mr. Steele for his mentorship. We REALLY CARE for EACH OTHER at Harbord! See photos attached to the email.

Numerous Harbord students displayed their fantastic work at the Edge Youth Art Show last week! (Gr.11's) Vivien Lin, Andy Chen, Dian Yin; (Gr.10's) Red Deeley, Jeanelle Lanaca, Giselle Schilling, Sofie Kagan; (Gr.9) Christy Xiao all contributed to the annual art show that showcased the works from 250 students across the GTA. It was a wonderful evening of superb artistry, unmatched creativity and heart warming conversations. Their work will remain on display until Monday May 1, in the Artscape Gallery, located at 180 Shaw St. so come on out and admire the beautiful artwork. Congratulations Harbord Artists — We're so proud of you! See the photos attached to the email.

Following up on our previous newsletter's information about our Harbord students who qualified for the Regional Intuit Social innovation Challenge...we are sooo proud to share that our **Grade 9 Eco-Life duo: Isabel Berena-Mojica and Enze Chen have won first place** in the Prosperity Hub School District Division! As our Assistant Curriculum Leader of SHSM ,Business, Coop,and Communications Technology, Ms. Montarass said " You gotta watch the video of our Harbord-winning team... This made my day!" Enze and Izzie used their skills in design thinking, design and coding to create an amazing solution to make our schools more sustainable — and **they both won \$5000 (US) in scholarships...** and bragging rights! We were the only Canadian team in the top 3, competing against American schools (with many of them business-focused schools). Also, we are proud of **Lara Soares, Rowan Driver, Rebecca Li, Lily Stewart-Ward and Jania Marshall** , who made it to the regional finals (and each student won airpods!) Well done Tigers — Congratulations to all!!!

[Click Here](#) to view the winning videos and Mural boards.

UPCOMING : April 24 - May 5

Monday, April 24	Report Card Distribution via email begins
Tuesday, April 25	Late Start schedule - Student Success Meetings (classes start 9:55am)
Wednesday, April 26	Late Start schedule - PLC meeting (classes start 9:55am)
Thursday, April 27	Parent/Guardian Teacher Interview Day - Special Schedule (morning classes only)
Friday, April 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Late start schedule - (classes start 9:55 am)• TDSB Student Census 2023 (period B)

At "Harbord, we CARE for each other. TOGETHER. We are ONE!"

Have a FUNomenal week ahead all!

Steve and Admin Team!