

**Important Dates** 

**Calendar** 

June 26:

Report Cards go home June 27:

Last Day of Classes

June 28:

PA Day

**September 3:** 

First Day of School!

Have a wonderful Summer!

### The Humewood Howler

Web: http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/humewood/Home.aspx

J. Whitfield, Principal A. Mani, Vice-Principal

### What a Year!

We have had another amazing year at Humewood Community School. This year our theme was "Changemeakers" and our staff and students showed us the the world is in good hands with their creative and thoughtful work all year culminating in the Changermakers Fair in April. We had many teams and clubs from our HUGE Cross-Country Team to our inspirational CrHuskies, it's not a stretch to say that we have a lot going on inside these walls.

The year we maintained our Gold Eco-School status and became a PLATINUM OPAL School! This Platinum status demonstrates that as a community we are committed to providing creative, rich and engaging play opportunities for all our students through all 10 different types of play. We know that this kind of play allows students to be the best of themselves and supports their growth and development in many ways.

We wish you all a wonderful summer! See you on September 3rd!

#### **FALL FAIR NEWS**

Humewood School Family Fall Fair will be held on Saturday, September 21st, 2019 Join in the fun and make a difference!

The Humewood School Family Fall Fair is a fantastic community event that promises great fun for the whole family and is the biggest contributor to the fundraising dollars used each year to support our children's classrooms for many things such as: teacher supplies, field trips, arts enrichment, science enrichment, technology upgrades, musical instruments for our new school band, and much more.

How can you help? Individuals, families, and businesses are invited to sponsor an event at the Fair. Circuit bikes, bake table, book nook, face painting, bouncy castles, and carnival games are just a few of the events in need of sponsors. General donations of funds, event tickets, or gift certificates are also welcome.

To become a sponsor or to make a donation please contact: Cheryl Batty <a href="mailto:cheryl.batty@utoronto.ca">cheryl.batty@utoronto.ca</a>.

Or volunteer your time: organizers, sports players/coaches, carnival game coordinators, bakers, salad makers, entertainers, photographers, and more are needed to help make this day a success.

To volunteer contact: Carly Labell <a href="mailto:carlylabell@yahoo.ca">carlylabell@yahoo.ca</a>.

#### **REPORT CARDS**

As we are looking forward to a good rejuvenating rest we also are looking forward to next year and the many of wonderful things we will do!

Today our students will receive their Report Cards. The Report Cards will contain your young person's class placement for next year. This can be an emotional time and students can display this emotion in a number of ways including tears! We hope you will help your young person feel excited about the next school year. We work hard during placement meetings to ensure a placement that will allow students to progress to the best of their abilities and beyond, not just academically but socially as well. Some years students may be separated from close friends and we look at these opportunities to make new connections and build some resiliency.

	2019-2020 Teaching Positions
French	
FSK	Danielle Bechbache (106) ECE: Sheeba Bhatti
FSK	Jenny Clark (105) ECE: Alketa Ibrahimi
1	TBD (111)
1	Marie-Josee Heine (109)
1/2	Maddie Cumbaa (112)
2	Ian Finley (207)
2	Nancy White (203)
2 /3	Carrie Dyson (206)
3	Violeta Paraschiv (208)
3 /4	France Castonguay (204)
4 (with 1 class Core French)	Laetitia Nocera (205)
5	Mary Lemke (216)
5 /6	Gabriela Iglecias (213)
6 Homeroom	Vivian Thomas (Zimmerman) (215)
7 Homeroom	LA. Meghie-Rodriguez (209)
8 Homeroom	Ben Yanchyshyn (211)
English	
JK	Jessica Kosonic (to be filled w. LTO) ECE Nera Musabelli(103)
JK	Jennifer Rodrigues ECE: Debby Haines (101)
JK/SK	Deirdre Kerins ECE: Paramjit Benjamin (102)
1/2	Barbara Terenzio (110)
2 /3	Jessica Salomon (201)
3	Kim Watkins (202)
4 /5	TBD (214)
5 /6	Eve Hoffman (217)
7 Homeroom	Monicke Hanson (212)
8 Homeroom	Darrin Singbeil (210

PREP	
FI PHE&Integrated Arts (1.0)	Akua Acheampong
Music (1.0)	Mack Polak
PHE (1.0)	Brian Herman
Drama/Dance (1.0)	Karen White
Kindergarten Prep (1.0)	Nicole Pearlman
SPEC.ED.	
MART/Resource (0.5)	Todd McNamara
HSP Jr. Inclusive Model (0.5)	Amy Duong
Resource (0.5)	Amy Duong
Resource (FI) (0.5)	Jane Leung
Library (0.5)	Todd McNamara
ESL (0.5)	Jane Leung
Native (Ojibwe) Language	Martha Toulouse

Thank you to our Grade 8 graduating class and artist Elly Dowson for their legacy work on our OPAL Shed! Many thanks to Humewood's School Council for supporting this initiative.







#### What is OPAL?

"OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) is the first program in Canada that aims to make play an integral part of the school day. Children engage in self-directed play with "loose parts" (tools, boxes, spare tires, fabric, etc.), boosting their sense of agency and creating a more inclusive and reciprocal social environment.

OPAL is grounded in the child's right to play and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, to which Canada is a signatory. In partnership with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB), the OPAL program will roll out to 42 schools by 2020. Our goal is to bring the program to schools across the country." (From the Earth Day Canada website)

For more information on the OPAL program, check out: https://earthday.ca/earthplay/schoolplay/

# Is it safe enough for us, the environment and the equipment? Is it fun for everybody? Is it inclusive?

**SAFE WORD: Respect.** 

#### **Humewood's Play Policy**

At Humewood we recognise that all play is at the heart of healthy development for children. Play is self-directed, fluid, flexible and open involving experimentation and imagination.

We recognise that in order to learn, children must push the boundaries of what is already known and already easily accomplished and this requires children to experience risks and challenges.

We encourage children to understand and challenge their own limits and we provide a supportive environment for risk-taking. We teach and use a risk-benefit approach to manage our duty of care to protect and provide for children's needs.

All students are provided with a range of choices and opportunities to play in order to build connections with and to care for their environment and community.

We believe it is our responsibility to safeguard and support all children's right to play.

#### **Humewood Sports Update!**

#### **Slo-Pitch**

The Humewood Girls Slo Pitch Team placed in second place in their tournament at Trinity Bellwood's Park. They play in the Quarter Finals next week.



The Grade 6 boys' slo-pitch team finished in 2nd place in their tournament on May 15th. They faced Forest Hill in a Quarter-Final game on May 28th.

The Grade 8 boys' slo-pitch team won their tournament on May 22nd and faced Brock on May 27th. Our students tried their best, but Brock won the game.

#### Room 211 @ The Gardiner Museum!





The grade 6/7 students of Room 211 went on a trip to the Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art on May 2nd to visit the Ai Weiwei: Unbroken exhibit. After being inspired by this fantastic exhibit, specifically, how Ai Weiwei used his art to be a changemaker and challenge our ideas on history, art and culture, students then created their own message-filled and personal sculptures.

## School Yearbooks Still Available!

\$20!

We still have a few yearbooks available for purchase from the main office. This wonderful memory book is fully of class and student photos from special events, clubs and class activities from this school year. The yearbooks are only \$20 and available with cash from our office, or though cash online.

#### **Humewood @ Track & Field!**

Humewood had a wonderful day at the Track and Field Conference Finals on June 11! Congratuations to: Yael, who cam 9th in 1500m; to Tobias, who came 7th in 80m and 6th in 200m; to Carmel, who came 5th in 200m. Bravo to the grade 6 boys' relay team: Tobias, Levi, Travis and Luc, who came in 4th and to the grade 5 girls' relay team: Nico, Carmel, Tessa and Bella, who came 5th. Go Humewood Huskies!!







# 2019 Summer Wonder Programs Oakwood Village Library

No registration for individuals.

Groups/camps - please register in advance!

Every Day ALL SUMMER, starting from **June 22n**<sup>d -</sup>, **TD Summer Reading Club** registration (free notebook + earn free stickers) and book reporting! Camps and daycares can inquire about registration and can receive supplies to run their own program!

Weekly Summer Wonder Creativity Challenges Weekly Summer Wonder Wall



Summer Makers: Fun with Arts and STEM
Thursdays 2-3pm - July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 15

Join us for six weekly Thursday afternoons at 2pm for simple hands-on science and arts creative activities, guided by library staff. Recommended for ages 4 and up. Note that we are not able to accommodate group registration for this program.

Week 1. Thursday July 11: NEWSPAPER FORTRESS

Week 2. Thursday July 18: CARNIVAL MASK MAKING

Week 3. Thursday July 25: LIFE DRAWING OPEN STUDIO

Week 4. Thursday August 1: CARIBANA MARACAS MAKING

Week 5. Thursday August 8: CARDBOARD FORT MAKING

Week 6. Thursday August 15: PAINT YOUR CARDBOARD FORTRESS



Hands on Exotics (Group registration required)
Enjoy our special Summer guests from Hands on
Exotics and be a part of a Safari Adventure! Meet
some fascinating birds, mammals and reptiles!
Wednesday July 17, 2pm

**Summer Movies @ Auditorium** (Group registration required)

Wed Jul 10, 2-3:30pm: The Jungle Book

Wed Jul 24, 2-3:30pm: The Secret Life of Pets

Wed Aug 14,2-3:30pm: Moana

#### See second page for more programs!

Oakwood Village Library & Arts Centre

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#### **Applefun Puppetry Presents Forest Trek**

(Group registration required)

The forest is a peaceful place...until some nutty space explorers arrive. Join Applefun Puppetry for 45-minutes of interactive fun!

Wed Jul 31, 2019 | 10:30am - 11:15am



### **Summer Fun Storytimes Fridays @ 10:30am**

Join us at 10:30am on Fridays in July and August (July 5, 12, 19, 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30) for special Summer Fun storytimes with books, music, songs, shakers, bubbles, rhymes and more - recommended ages 0-5 with caregivers! Program runs 10:30-11am - Stay afterwards for playtime and socializing. Note that we are not able to accommodate group registration for this program.

Mothercraft EarlyON drop-in, ages 0-6 and caregivers

Mondays 10:30am-1pm Thursdays 2-4:30pm July and August, Auditorium







Summer Preschool Crafts Mondays Jul 8, 15, 22, 29, Aug 12, 19: 2-2:30pm

Join us for fun summer craft activities in the library on six Mondays in July and August. Suitable for kids 2-5. Drop-in. With a caregiver. Note we are not able to accommodate group registration for this program.

Lego Tuesdays, Gaming Fridays, Baby Time, Toddler Time,
Saturday Family Storytime will take a break in July and August and
will resume in September!

<u>Check our library monthly July & August calendar for more information!</u>

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