

# Lynnwood Heights JPS Family Newsletter June 2023



# Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that this is the last newsletter for this school year! It has definitely been a busy year with lots of great accomplishments and everyone should be proud of the work that they have done in supporting all of the Lynnwood students and families. Please know that we truly appreciate and recognize everything that you do on a daily basis.

There are some staffing changes for next year. Mrs. Chin has chosen to take a position at Vradenburg. She has done an outstanding job during her many years of service at Lynnwood. We will definitely miss her, and we also wish her every success at her new school.

Mrs. O'Brien who gave over 20 years of devoted and exemplary service to Lynnwood is retiring as of June 2023.

Ms. Davis has chosen to go half time for next year, and she will be working in the afternoons only for 2023-2024.

Mr. Behar will be rejoining us after his leave this current school year, and we are excited to have him rejoin the staff.

Based on the community survey, the scheduled day will remain that same as it is this year. Thank you for giving your input.

We hope everyone has a wonderful, relaxing summer with their family and friends, you deserve it!

Best regards, Joy Reiter

# **School Organization**

The organization of the school based on TDSB allocations, guidelines and numbers of projected students are as follows:

2 JK/SK

1 Grade 1

1 Grade 1 and 2

1 Grade 2 and 3

1 Grade 4 and 5

1 Grade 5 and 6

We also will continue to provide ELL, Special Education, French, Specialty and Library Teachers.

**From our Math Program Coordinator Jason To: *Math Resources to Share with Students and Parents/ Guardians:***

Here are some resources. they have great tips and activities!

Inspiring Your Child to Learn and Love Math

<https://www.parentengagementmatters.ca/inspiring-your-child-to-learn-and-love-math>

Partnering with Your Teen in Mathematics, Grades 7-12

[Partnering with your teen.pdf \(mathies.ca\)](#)

## MATH AND MEDIA

### Summer Math Ideas for Parents and Kids to Stay FRESH and COOL!

**Get into Geocaching.** Get in on the outdoor craze of geocaching, where families search for hidden "caches" or containers using handheld GPS tools (or a GPS app on your smartphone). Try a variation on geocaching called **EARTHCACHING** where you seek out and learn about unique geologic features. Find more details about geocaching: <https://www.geocaching.com/play>

Watch the videos below!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1YTqitVK-Ts>

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[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sj31U\\_z9MFA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sj31U_z9MFA)

Everyone loves a Scavenger Hunt <http://mathgeekmama.com> is another website that can be shared with parents that contain a ton of great ideas including learning math with **LEGO**, taking math **outdoors**, in addition to links for math **games/puzzles/stories**. *Click the image:*

**If you have a Kindergarten aged child please register this week so we can retain two kindergarten teachers. You can register online or next week the office staff will be here.**



**Learn4Life** – Summer Registration Now Open! - Learn4Life provides a wide variety of general interest courses for adults 18+ . Courses, offered remotely and in-person, allow learners to take up new hobbies, learn new skills, and meet new friends. Summer courses include: Introduction to Community Interpreting, Bollywood Dance Fitness, and Tennis for True Beginners. For more information and to register, visit [www.learn4life.ca](http://www.learn4life.ca).

**Summer Language Classes for Newcomer Adults** - The following Community Services Unit programs will be offering in-class instruction for newcomer adults this summer.

- **Language Instruction for Newcomers (LINC)** classes will operate on a summer schedule from July 10 to July 28.
- **Enhanced Language Training (ELT)** will deliver classes for newcomers with a background in Office Admin and Customer Relations starting on June 19; Sales and Marketing starting July 7; and Accounting and Financial Services starting July 7.

## **Outdoor Family Activities**

**With the warm weather finally upon us, it is a great time to get outside.**

**There are lots of great ways to get outside with friends and families and enjoy the physical and mental health benefits from being outdoors. Outdoor activities can provide a much needed screen break and can be as simple as taking a walk in your local neighbourhood.**

**The website below contains links to resources and information about what to do, where to go, and more.**

**Taking Learning Outdoors:**

**<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/learningoutdoors/Resources-for-your-Family/Outdoor>**



# **Transition Resource Guide For Planning for Life After High School for Youth/Adults with Disabilities**

**The Transition Resource Guide for Youth/Adults with Disabilities** provides essential transition planning information for students who are graduating from high school.

It is inclusive of a wide variety of learner profiles, needs and disabilities. It is intended to provide simple access and consistency in information across the TDSB. It is a helpful resource for Youth/Adult students with disabilities, caregivers/parents, and educators.

## Road Safety

Parents are reminded to observe the speed limit and all posted traffic signs e.g., Bus Loading Zone, No U Turning, No Parking, etc. along Southlawn and surrounding streets. Remember to please slow down in school zones!

We have a Student Drop-off Zone by the west gate by the kindergarten play area. The parking lot is for staff use only. *For safety*, students are ***not allowed*** to enter the parking lot, nor are parents allowed to drop off their child(ren) in the parking lot.



# Moorelands Camp

Moorelands Camp is an overnight camp on Kawagama Lake, Ontario, for kids in grades 3 to 8. For one week, we lead fun outdoor activities rooted in positive youth development that immerse our kids in nature and show them safe, exciting ways to enjoy the outdoors.

All spots at Moorelands Camp qualify for a subsidy with fees starting as low as \$25 for a whole week.

<https://www.moorelands.ca/programs/moorelands-camp/>

## ***Dear JK to Grade 3 Families***

***The [TDSB Student Census](#) is an opportunity for students to share their voice and provide valuable information to help improve our schools and system.***

***Consider completing the Census. Check your emails for [TDSBStudentCensus@gemailserver.com](mailto:TDSBStudentCensus@gemailserver.com). For more information, please visit [www.tdsb.on.ca/census](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/census) and read the [Student Census Questions and Answers](#).***

***If you have already completed the Census, thank you very much. Please disregard this email.***

# Suggested Summer Reading List



**Forest Of Reading®**

2023 Kid Committee List

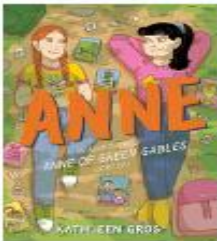
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**Silver Birch Fiction Readers**  
Ages 8-12, Grades 3-6

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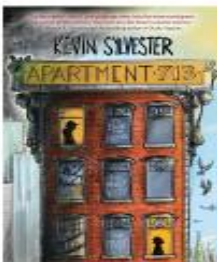
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### ***Anne: An Adaptation of Anne of Green Gables (Sort of)* by Kathleen Gross (HarperCollins)**

In this modern graphic novel retelling of *Anne of Green Gables* from graphic novelist Kathleen Gros, foster kid Anne Shirley finally lands in a loving home and befriends a girl who she may have more-than-friends feelings for. Anne Shirley has been in foster care her whole life. So when the Cuthberts take her in, she hopes it's for good. They seem to be hitting it off, but how will they react to the trouble that Anne can sometimes find herself in . . . like accidentally dyeing her hair green or taking a dangerous dare that leaves her in a cast? Then Anne meets Diana Barry, a girl who lives in her apartment building, the Avon-Lea. The two become fast friends, as Anne finds she can share anything with Diana. As time goes on, though, Anne starts to develop more-than-friends feelings for Diana. A new foster home, a new school, and a first-time crush—it's a lot all at once. But if anyone can handle life's twists and turns, it's the irrepressible Anne Shirley.



### ***Apartment 713* by Kevin Sylvester (HarperCollins)**

Secret ballrooms, hidden artwork and unlikely friends—welcome to the Regency, where even time moves in surprising ways! Jake Simmons hates his new home. The Regency is nothing more than floor after floor of peeling wallpaper and faded glory. Jake misses his old life. He misses the time when his mother was employed. He misses living in a house where the wind doesn't make the windows whistle. Loneliness (and a trail of kittens) leads Jake to the apartment of an elderly lady, then to the bowels of the building and then to a part-time job assisting Larry the custodian. With each passing day, the building reveals more of its mysteries to Jake. The occupants grow on him too. Unfortunately, Jake's feeling of belonging is short-lived: the city plans to demolish the Regency. Jake feels powerless. And then fate throws him a curveball. He's summoned to apartment 713. An apartment he's been told is off-limits. But when he opens the door . . . he travels to the past! Alongside Beth, his new friend and guide, Jake begins searching for any clue that might help him save the Regency. As their friendship blooms, the mystery around the building's makers deepens. The Regency's own storied past will give Jake the key to saving his own future—if only he knows where to look.



### ***Berani* by Michelle Kadarusman (Pajama Press)**

An honest and stirring novel about the choices made by young environmental activists, and the balancing act between consequence and triumph. Malia has had a privileged upbringing in Indonesia, but since her Indonesian father died, her Canadian mother wants to return to her own family on the other side of the world. Malia is determined to stay. Indonesia is her home, and she loves it. Besides, if she leaves, how can she continue to fight for her country's precious rainforests? Ari knows he is lucky to be going to school and competing on the chess team, even if it means an endless round of chores at his uncle's restaurant. Back in his home village, he and his cousin Suni dreamed about getting a chance like this. But now he is here without her, and the guilt is crushing him. As if that weren't enough, he's horribly worried about Ginger Juice, his uncle's orangutan. The too-small cage where she lives is clearly hurting her body and her mind, but where else can she go? The rainforest where she was born is a palm oil plantation now.



### ***Clan* by Sigmund Brouwer (Tundra Books)**

The classic survival story gets a prehistoric twist in this gripping middle-grade adventure featuring a boy and his sabre tooth tiger cub, perfect for fans of *Hatchet*. Part survival story, part animal-human friendship story and part redemption story, *Clan* follows the journey of Atlatl and the saber tooth cub he rescues from a dire wolf attack. Injured as a child, Atlatl dreams of one day earning his father's respect as a hunter. But when Atlatl brings the young saber tooth to his Clan, it leads to a devastating moment of torn loyalties between Atlatl and his father--a moment that will change their lives forever. Then an epic disaster strikes, and suddenly Atlatl has to rely on wits, ingenuity and bravery to face his biggest foe yet and try to save what remains of his Clan.



### **Enemies (Berrybrook Middle School, Book 4) by Svetlana Chmakova (Yen Press)**

Felicity's sure she's going to do something big. Exactly what is still a mystery, but she'll figure it out. Her sister, Letty, teases Felicity that she never finishes stuff, but that's just because Letty is so perfect. Still, life is good with plenty of friends—drawing with the art club and playing games with her buddies keep her busy. But when she decides to join a contest to show Letty that she can get things done, Felicity begins to wonder if friends becoming enemies is easier than she thought. Are they really enemies, though...? What does it even mean to be enemies? And...who is it that she needs the most on her side...?



### **Ghostlight by Kenneth Oppel (Puffin)**

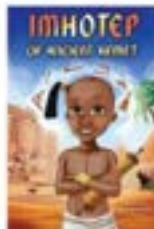
Gabe's summer job scaring tourists with ghost stories turns terrifyingly real when he accidentally summons the spirit of a dead girl—and must join forces with her to protect the world of the living. A new story by award-winning author Ken Oppel for ages 10 and up. The story of the tragic death of sixteen-year-old Rebecca Strand and her lighthouse keeper father is just an elaborate tale Gabe tells tourists for his summer job on Toronto Island. Or so he thought. When his ghost tours awaken Rebecca's spirit, Gabe is drawn into a world far darker than any ghost story he's ever heard. Rebecca reveals that she and her father were connected to the Order, a secret society devoted to protecting the world from "the wakeful and wicked dead"—malevolent spirits like Viker, the ghost responsible for their deaths. But now the Order has disappeared and Viker is growing even stronger, and he'll stop at nothing to wreak chaos and destruction on the living. Gabe and his friends—both living and dead—must find a way to stop Viker before they all become lost souls.





***Houston, Is There a Problem? (Teen Astronauts, Book 1)* by Eric Walters (Orca Book Publishers)**

Thirteen-year-old Houston Williams is smart. Very smart. So no one is surprised when he earns a scholarship to attend a prestigious NASA space camp. At the training facility he immediately bonds with his new team, including a girl named Teal. He also clashes with a girl on a rival team named Ashley, who matches or beats him in every exercise. The three of them impress the directors so much they are invited to join a top-secret research project that studies how space travel affects people of different ages. But only two of them will actually be going into space. Houston will do whatever it takes to make sure he's picked.



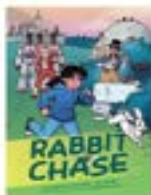
***Imhotep of Ancient Kemet* by Ekiuwa Aire, illustrated by Simbarashe Langton Vera and Anastasia Kyrpenko (Our Ancestories)**

Over 4,000 years ago, in ancient Egypt, a young boy named Imhotep was born. From a young age, he excelled and quickly became known as a genius. Imhotep had the ability to see through difficult problems and was often trying new techniques and experiments. He had many talents, and as an architect, Imhotep designed the step pyramid at Sakkara—one of the most incredible structures in ancient history. The step pyramid still stands strong today. In the pages of this book, you'll discover the Egypt known to Imhotep, as he grows from a curious young man into one of the most successful, intelligent, and well-known men in ancient Egypt.



***Killer Underwear Invasion!: How to Spot Fake News, Disinformation & Conspiracy Theories* by Elise Gravel (Chronicle Books)**

A hilarious and timely tool to help kids learn how to tell what news is true and what isn't. Can peanuts give you super strength? Were unicorns discovered on the moon? Did Martians really invade New Jersey? For anyone who has ever encountered outrageous stories like these and wondered whether they were true, this funny, yet informative book breaks down what fake news is, why people spread it, and how to tell what is true and what isn't. With quirky illustrations and a humorous tone, Elise Gravel brings her kid-accessible wit to the increasingly important subject of media literacy and equips younger readers with the skills needed to interact with global news.



**Rabbit Chase** by Elizabeth LaPensée, illustrated by KC Oster (Annick Press)

Anishinaabe culture and storytelling meet Alice in Wonderland in this coming-of-age graphic novel that explores Indigenous and gender issues through a fresh yet familiar looking glass. Aimée, a non-binary Anishinaabe middle-schooler, is on a class trip to offer gifts to Paayehnaag, the water spirits known to protect the land. While stories are told about the water spirits and the threat of the land being taken over for development, Aimée zones out, distracting themselves from the bullying and isolation they've experienced since expressing their non-binary identity. When Aimée accidentally wanders off, they are transported to an alternate dimension populated by traditional Anishinaabe figures in a story inspired by Alice in Wonderland. To gain the way back home, Aimée is called on to help Trickster by hunting down dark water spirits with guidance from Paayehnaag. On their journey, Aimée faces off with the land-grabbing Queen and her robotic guards and fights the dark water spirits against increasingly stacked odds. Illustrated by KC Oster with a modern take on their own Ojibwe style and cultural representation, Rabbit Chase is a story of self-discovery, community, and finding one's place in the world.



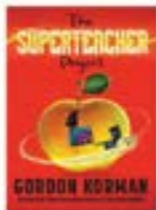
**Seekers of the Fox (Thieves of Shadows, Book 2)** by Kevin Sands (Puffin Canada)

A dying friend, a terrible bargain, an underwater quest, and dangerous magic ... this thrilling adventure picks up right where Children of the Fox leaves off. Fans of twisty, clever stories like The False Prince and Ocean's Eleven will love this newest middle-grade series from Kevin Sands, author of the bestselling Blackthorn Key. Rule number one: Never mess with magic. Even so, a life-or-death situation calls for Callan and his criminal friends to make a deal with the Eye—the sinister, sentient artifact they stole from a sorcerer. It's Lachlan's life in exchange for a future task, and the gang has no choice but to agree. But even as Lachlan is resurrected, it's not without cost. Through the Eye, Callan can see a tiny purple stain inside Lachlan's soul, which will eventually consume him. The cure—and their part of the deal—lies with the Dragon's Teeth, a pair of swords with extraordinary powers, and the search for them leads the thieves on a quest that will unravel the mystery of the Eye. Old friends, new betrayals, and an even more daring break-in than the last culminate in a confrontation that will take all the gang's skill and power to resist—or they'll die trying.



**Spell Sweeper** by Lee Edward Fodi (HarperCollins)

Featuring a failed young wizard and her cleanup crew, this delightfully dysfunctional middle grade fantasy is an imaginative twist on magic school that's perfect for fans of Nevermoor and The School for Good and Evil. Cara Moone is a wizard—but she's basically flunked out of wizard school. Now she's in training to be a MOP, also known as Magical Occurrence Purger, also known as it's Cara's job to sweep up the hazardous dust a real wizard's spells leave behind. A real wizard, that is, like Harlee Wu, the so-called Chosen One destined to save the magical world. But when one of Harlee's spells goes awry and leaves behind a rift in the fabric of magic itself, it'll take more than magic to clean up the mess. Luckily, messes are kind of Cara's thing. Magic is messy—and fantastically fun—in this underdog story packed with humor, adventure, and attitude.



### ***The Superteacher Project* by Gordon Korman (Scholastic Canada)**

Oliver Zahn, spitball champion and self-declared rule-wrecker of Brightling Middle School, is not a fan of his new homeroom teacher, Mr. Aidact. The guy is sort of stiff, never cracks a smile, and refers to them as "pupils." The worst part is he catches Oliver before he can pull any of his signature pranks! It's time for Oliver and his best friend, Nathan, to show the new teacher who's boss. But as the weeks go by, they start to realize that Mr. Aidact is not what they expected. He has an uncanny ability to remember song lyrics or trivia. When the girls' field hockey team needs a new coach, he suddenly turns out to be an expert. He never complains when other teachers unload work on him — even when it's lunchroom duty and overseeing detention. Against all odds, Mr. Aidact starts to become the most popular teacher at Brightling. Still, Oliver and Nathan know that something is fishy. They're determined to get to the bottom of the mystery: What's the deal with Mr. Aidact?



### ***Until Niagara Falls* by Jennifer Maruno (Dundurn)**

Finalist, Hamilton Literary Award. Is friendship supposed to feel like walking over the falls? Brenda is afraid of heights, being in the dark, and dog poop. Then she meets daring, rule-breaking Maureen and realizes their friendship is a bit like walking a tightrope — exciting but dangerous. Maureen encourages Brenda to use fire escapes, sleep outside in a tent, and walk through strange backyards. Their friendship strains when Maureen makes fun of Harvey, Brenda's special needs neighbour. It strains even further when Maureen borrows Gran's bracelet and lies about returning it. Suddenly, Brenda realizes she has to be as brave as The Great Blondin, the man who walked across the falls, to get it back.

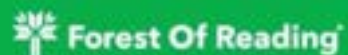


### ***Weird Rules to Follow* by Kim Spencer (Orca Book Publishers)**

Mia knows her family is very different than her best friend's. In the 1980s, the coastal fishing town of Prince Rupert is booming. There is plenty of sockeye salmon in the nearby ocean, which means the fishermen are happy and there is plenty of work at the cannery. Eleven-year-old Mia and her best friend, Lara, have known each other since kindergarten. Like most tweens, they like to hang out and compare notes on their crushes and dream about their futures. But even though they both live in the same cul-de-sac, Mia's life is very different from her non-Indigenous, middle-class neighbor. Lara lives with her mom, her dad and her little brother in a big house, with two cars in the drive and a view of the ocean. Mia lives in a shabby wartime house that is full of relatives—her churchgoing grandmother, binge-drinking mother and a rotating number of aunts, uncles and cousins. Even though their differences never seemed to matter to the two friends, Mia begins to notice how adults treat her differently, just because she is Indigenous. Teachers, shopkeepers, even Lara's parents—they all seem to have decided who Mia is without getting to know her first.

# The 2023 Committee

Met Virtually in May 2023



## Silver Birch



**Denise** – Toronto District School Board, **Edward** – Trinity College School, **Rebecca** – York Region District School Board, **Hilthike** – Nanaimo Ladysmith School District, **Andrew** – Halton District School Board, **Uma** – Toronto District School Board, **Rachel** – Thames Valley District School Board, **Bebecca** – Toronto District School Board, **Breanna** – St. Michael's-Lightbourn School, **Rebecca** – St. Michael's-Lightbourn School, **Ryan** – Peel District School Board, **Zoe** – Upper Grand District School Board

About Helen Kubick, the K16 Committee – Silver Birch Facilitator:  
Retired Teacher – Librarian, Former Forest of Reading Chair

# June CSW Newsletter

Community News  
June, 2023



## CSW UPDATE

### UPCOMING EVENTS

[Human Rights in Education](#)  
Thursday, June 1st from 6:30 to 8:00pm  
Click [here](#) to register

[Scarborough Community Festival](#)  
Saturday, June 10th, from 12:00pm to 4:00pm  
See flyer [here](#)

TDSB Multi-Year Strategic Plan Renewal  
Town Halls ([LC1](#) [LC2](#) [LC3](#))  
Wednesday, June 14th and Thursday,  
June 15th from 6:30 to 8:00pm  
[Learn more here](#)

### JUNE AT THE TDSB

- [Italian Heritage Month](#)
- [Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month](#)
- [Pride Month](#)

### FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Professional Activity  
(PA) Day  
June 2, 2023

### SOCIAL MEDIA

Visit [www.tdsb.ca](http://www.tdsb.ca) for the latest news, webinar registration links and parent/caregiver offerings.

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### TDSB Summer Programs



#### TDSB Summer Well-Being Guide



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[tdsbHUB.ca](http://tdsbHUB.ca)

# Summer Session of the ASD Skills Development Leisure Program

***Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):***

Welcome to an exciting opportunity to participate in a program for students going into Grades 4 -10 with an Autism Exceptionality (ASD). The program is called *Doing What I Love: At Home, At School and In the Community!* This is a Ministry funded Skills Development Program that offers an opportunity for students to develop, build and enhance their social-communication skills.

A key component of the program is to learn leisure/recreation activities based on students' interests. Activities will be led by qualified teachers who will reinforce Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) Instructional Methods and self-regulations strategies throughout the sessions.

One of the great things about this program is that parents/guardians can participate in various leisure activities alongside their child; parents are strongly encouraged to take part in our program. Please note that parents are required to be present when school-aged siblings are also in attendance.

Students enrolled in our program will have the opportunity to work with their teachers to develop and enhance their social skills and develop cooperation skills by playing and interacting with other participants as they engage in a variety of intentionally chosen leisure activities. During the sessions, time will also be spent preparing students for their return to school in September. Our teachers will provide strategies to students and parents on how best to prepare for a smooth transition to a new class, grade or school.

# Summer Session of the ASD Skills Development Leisure Program

The program will run from **July 5 - 19 from 9:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the locations listed below. Participants are invited to sign up for only **one location**:

- **Learning Centre 1**
  - ***Portage Trail Community School***, 100 Sidney Belsey Cres, North York
  - ***C.R.Marchant MS***, 1 Ralph St, York
- **Learning Centre 2**
  - ***Avondale PS***, 171 Avondale Ave. North York
  - ***Bayview MS***, 25 Bunty Lane, North York
  - ***Don Mills MS***, 15 The Donway E, North York
  - ***Westview Centennial SS***, 755 Oakdale Road, North York
- **Learning Centre 3**
  - ***Lucy Maud Montgomery PS***, 95 Murison Blvd., Scarborough
  - ***West Rouge JPS***, 401 Friendship Ave., Scarborough
  - ***Churchill Heights PS***, 749 Brimorton Dr., Scarborough
  - ***Henry Kelsey SPS***, 1200 Huntingwood Dr. Scarborough
- **Learning Centre 4**
  - ***D.A. Morrison MS***, 271 Gledhill Ave., East York
  - ***Duke of Connaught JSPS***, 70 Woodfield Rd., Toronto
  - ***George Webster Elementary School***, 50 Chapman Ave., East York

# Summer Session of the ASD Skills Development Leisure Program

Participation in the program requires commitment to bring your child daily to all our sessions and participants are asked to bring a packed lunch, water, and snack on each day of the program. Please kindly note that transportation is not provided.

If you are interested, please fill out [this form](#) (click to access)

We look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

After School Leisure Development Committee    Email: *SpecialEd.tdsb.on.ca*

Tel: 416-393-8955



# June Is Indigenous Historical Month



For generations, many Indigenous groups and communities have celebrated their culture and heritage on June 21 or around that time of year because of the significance of the summer solstice as the longest day of the year.

Indigenous ancestry refers to whether a person has ancestry associated with the Indigenous peoples of Canada, that is, First Nations (North American Indian), Métis, and/or Inuit

National Aboriginal Day, now National Indigenous Peoples Day, was announced in 1996 by then Governor General of Canada, Roméo LeBlanc, through the [Proclamation Declaring June 21 of Each Year as National Aboriginal Day](#). This was the result of consultations and statements of support for such a day made by various Indigenous groups:

On June 21, 2017, the Prime Minister issued a [statement](#) announcing the intention to rename this day National Indigenous Peoples Day. National Indigenous Peoples Day is part of the [Celebrate Canada](#) program, which also includes Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day on June 24, Canadian Multiculturalism Day on June 27 and Canada Day on July 1.

The Government of Canada provides funding opportunities for community [celebratory events](#), as well as for [commemorations on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#).

## Related links

- [National Indigenous History Month / National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#)

# June Is Portuguese Heritage Month



Portuguese=Speaking Heritage Month is proudly recognized during the month of June at the TDSB and has been since 2011. The Province of Ontario passed the [Celebration of Portuguese Heritage Act](#) in 2001.

This year the theme is Alegria / Joy! The contributions of the Portuguese-speaking community to Canada are significant as they include the arts, sports, music, culinary arts, and many professional contributions to education and medicine. Canadians, along with all TDSB students, staff, and its communities all enjoy the energetic and vibrant traditions that are shared through the customs of the Portuguese-speaking community. Over 1,400 TDSB students speak Portuguese as their mother tongue or as a primary language. Internationally, there are 250 million Portuguese-speaking people worldwide, making it the fifth-most spoken language.

# June is Italian Heritage Month



Italian Heritage Month is proudly recognized during the month of June at the TDSB since May 2012. The Province of Ontario also marks Italian Heritage Month since 2010 because the [Italian Heritage Month Act](#) was passed. This year marks the 90th anniversary of the Christie Pits riot that took place in Toronto in August 1933.

In addition to commemorating the 90th anniversary of the Christie Pits riot, the Italian Heritage Month planning committee has planned several virtual opportunities to celebrate the Italian heritage. One is honouring our Italian seniors. Maintaining Italian traditions and customs from generation to generation are very important and our elderly members within our families and communities are the key to preserving the vibrant culture of the Italian heritage. As part of Italian Heritage month, we also celebrate [Seniors Month](#) and have launched an activity for students from schools, to draw and write a message on a postcard that features a white lily, the national flower of Italy. These postcards will be distributed to the residents of Villa Colombo Home during the month of June.

# June is Pride Month



## Toronto District School Board Celebrates LGBTQ Pride Every Day!

TDSB Professional Library has updated the curated LGBTQ resource guide.

[Egale Canadian Human Rights Trust](#) is an organization which works to improve the lives of LGBTQI2S people in Canada and to enhance the global response to LGBTQI2S issues, public policy, inspiring cultural change, and promoting human rights and inclusion through research, education and community engagement.

### Recommended Highlights:

[Every Teacher Project: On LGBTQ-Inclusive Education in Canada's K-12 Schools](#)  
[Every Class in Every School](#)  
[Draw the line against transphobic violence](#)



# May Character Assembly - Integrity



**K/SK1 - Ms. Qi**

# JK/SK2 - Mr. Rothman



# Gr. 1 & 2

## Ms. Chin

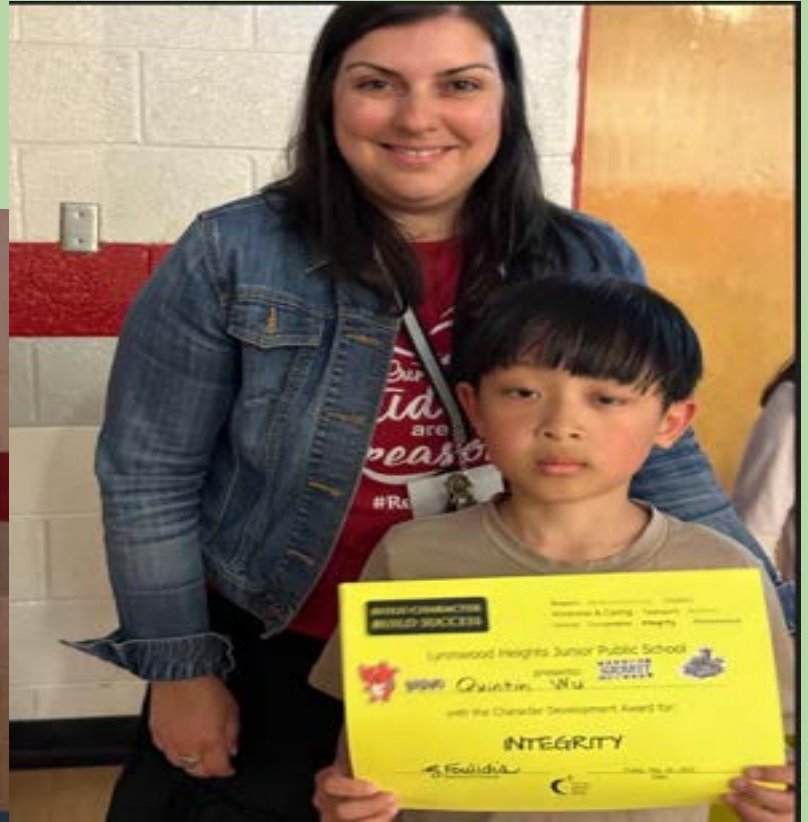
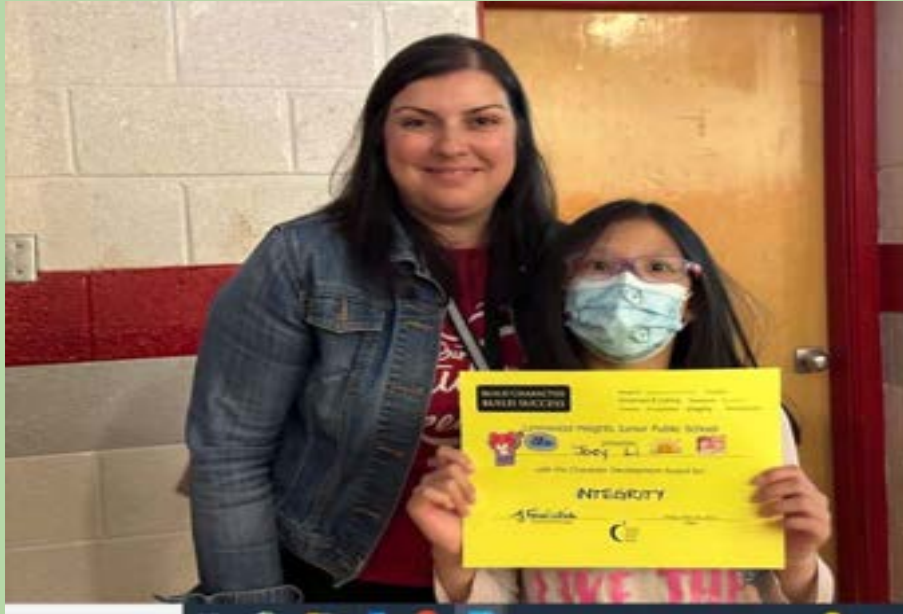


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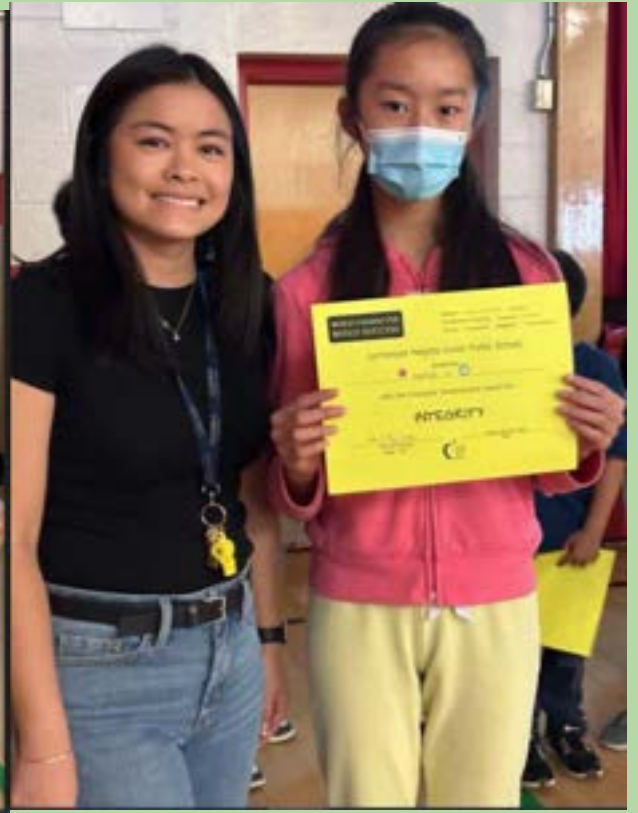
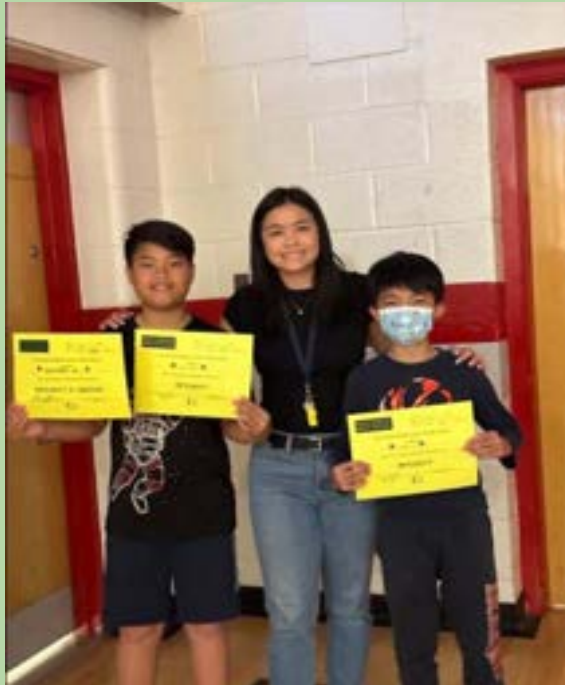
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# Gr. 4 & 5 Mr. Swire



# Ms. Ho French



# Gr. 5 & 6

## Ms. Alexander



# Gr. 5 & 6 Ms. Alexander



**Our character trait for the month of May is integrity.**



# June Character Assembly - Perseverance



**K/SK1 - Ms. Qi**

# June Character Assembly - Perseverance



**K/SK1 - Mrs. Feldman**



# June Character Assembly - Perseverance



**K/SK1 - Ms. Lee**

# JK/SK2 - Mr. Rothman



**Gr. 1 & 2**  
**Ms. Chin**



**Gr. 2 & 3**  
**Ms. Fisher**



**Gr. 2 & 3**  
**Ms. Lee**

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# French Ms. Ho







# Track and Field



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# Central Track and Field - June 15



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# JSK 1 & 2 -Ontario Science Centre



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# JK/SK 1 & 2 -Ontario Science Centre



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# JSK 1 - Rock Art Work for Father's Day



# JK/SK 1 - Students released darling beetles that went through the worms, chrysalis and beetles stages



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# JK/SK 1 - Students were playing outside in the kindergarten playground.





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## JSK 2 - Building Mansions with Gr. 4/5



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# Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony



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# Kindergarten Helpers



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# Jr/Sr Kindergarten - Art Show



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## Jr/Sr Kindergarten - X Movement



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# Celebration Reading Success in Grades 1 & 2



Students are engaged in reading

# Grades 1 & 2



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# Grades 1 & 2 - Art Show



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# Grades 1 & 2, 2 & 3 - Toronto Zoo



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# Grades 2 & 3 - Art Show



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# Grades 2 & 3 - Art Show



# Gr. 2 & 3 X Movement



# Grades 3 & 4 - Learn How to Write a Persuasive Paragraph

Name: Dora Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ice Cream Design Contest

Step 4: Final

Write a persuasive paragraph to convince others that your ice cream dessert is the best and yummiest!

Name of Ice Cream Dessert: Fruity goodness

My ice cream is the best. First, ice cream is the white with words. First, you should buy my ice cream because my ice cream is really fruity. Ice cream there are strawberries and raspberries. Second, you should buy my ice cream because there are three really good flavours like mango, blue raspberry and raspberry. Remember, you should get my ice cream because there are lots of toppings and there is a sale. 3 scoops of ice cream for \$3.



## Rainbow swirl

Name: Anthony Date: May 26 2017

## Ice Cream Design Contest

Step 4: Final

Write a persuasive paragraph to convince others that your ice cream dessert is the best and yummiest!

Name of Ice Cream Dessert: Rainbow swirl

My Rainbow Swirl ice cream is the best in the universe! First, today is a hot day and my ice cream will be refreshing! Second, the ice cream has every flavor like strawberry, chocolate, mango, coconut, blueberries, raspberry and blackberry. You can also have any color and toppings you like! Lastly, my ice cream is very delicious! This is why you should eat! (Probably, it will tempt my ice cream!)



## Confetti Cow spot

Name: Lilli Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ice Cream Design Contest

Step 4: Final

Write a persuasive paragraph to convince others that your ice cream dessert is the best and yummiest!

Name of Ice Cream Dessert: Confetti Cow spot

My ice cream Confetti Cow spot is the best ice cream in the world. First, it has 3 scoops of ice cream and will cool you down. Second, it is cheap. If you buy one, you get the other one 20% off. Last, the flavors in the ice cream are, cookie & cream, strawberry and cotton candy. This is why we want you to buy our ice cream Confetti Cow spot!



# Grades 3 & 4 - Learn How to Write a Persuasive Paragraph



# Grades 3 & 4 - Art Show

The display board is organized into several vertical columns. The artworks are framed in various colors (red, blue, yellow, green, orange) and include:

- A large abstract painting with a rainbow at the top left.
- Several depictions of the 'Starry Night' style, featuring turbulent blue skies, yellow stars, and dark silhouettes of houses or trees.
- A painting of a red barn with a tree.
- A painting of a stylized owl.
- A painting of a single pink flower.
- Various abstract and landscape compositions.

Informational cards are interspersed throughout the board:

- Grade 3/4 Mrs. Foulidis**: Located in the upper middle and upper right sections.
- Starry Night Inspired by Van Gogh**: Located in the middle right section.
- Exploration in Perspective Inspired by M.C. Escher**: Located in the middle left section.
- PROCESSES**: A card with text in the lower left section.

# Grades 3 & 4 - Art Show





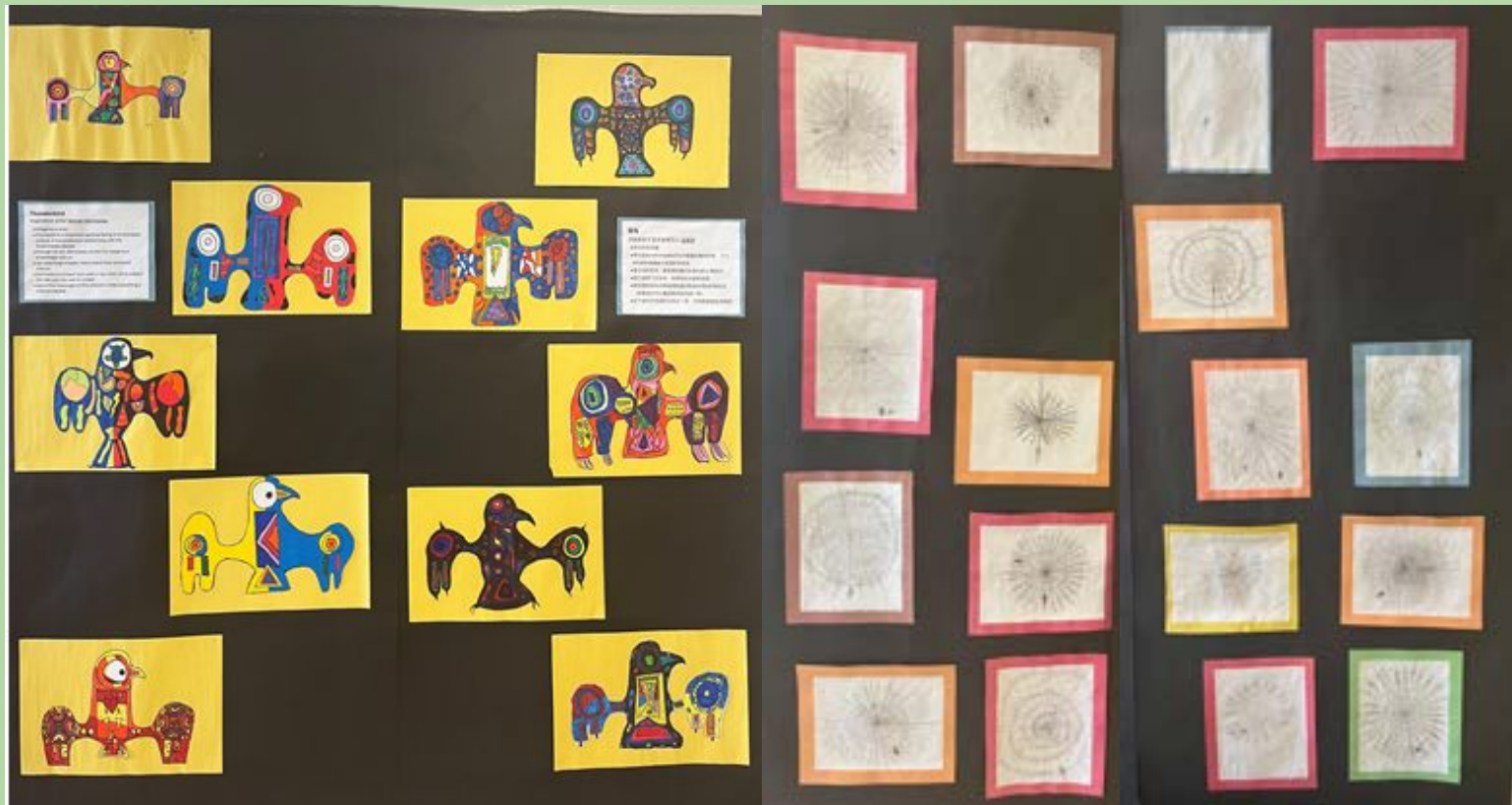
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# Gr. 3 & 4 X Movement



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## Grades 3/4 & Gr. 4/5 - AGO Field Trip



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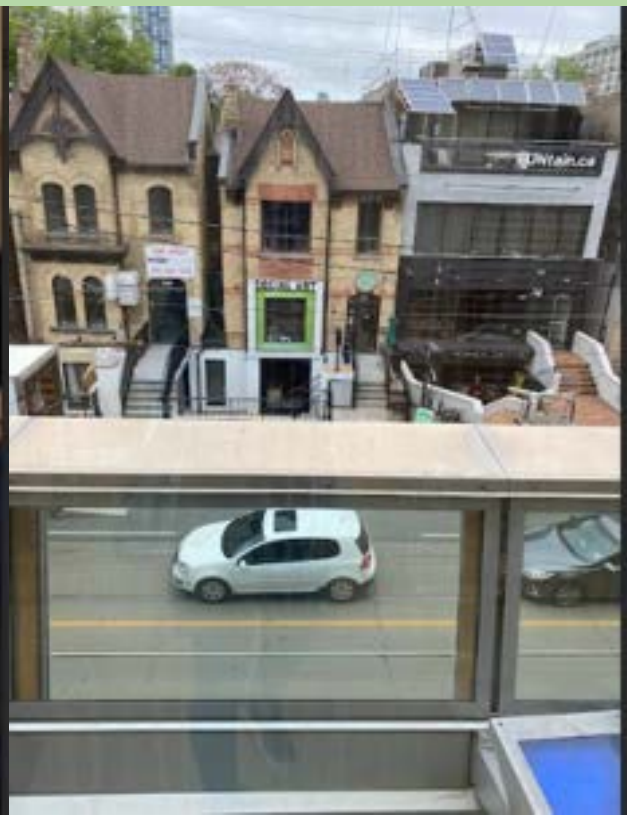
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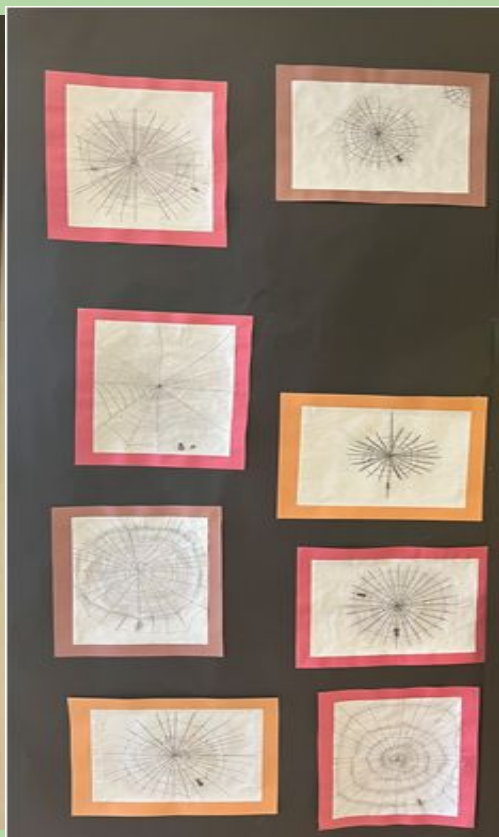
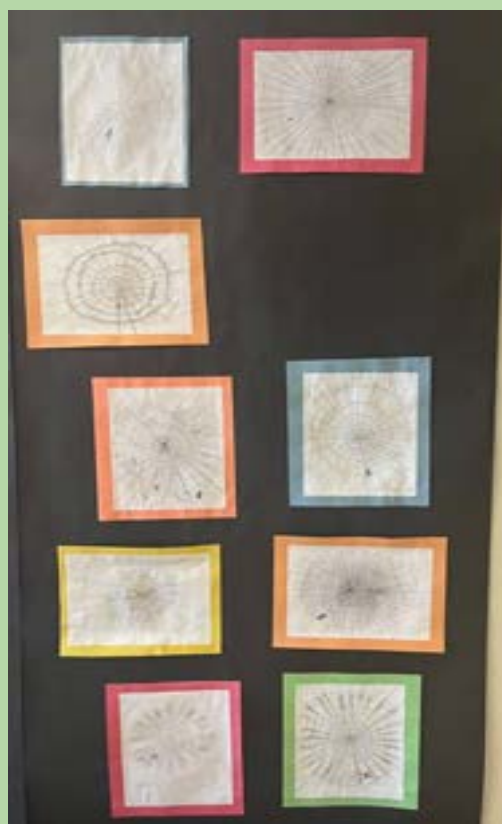


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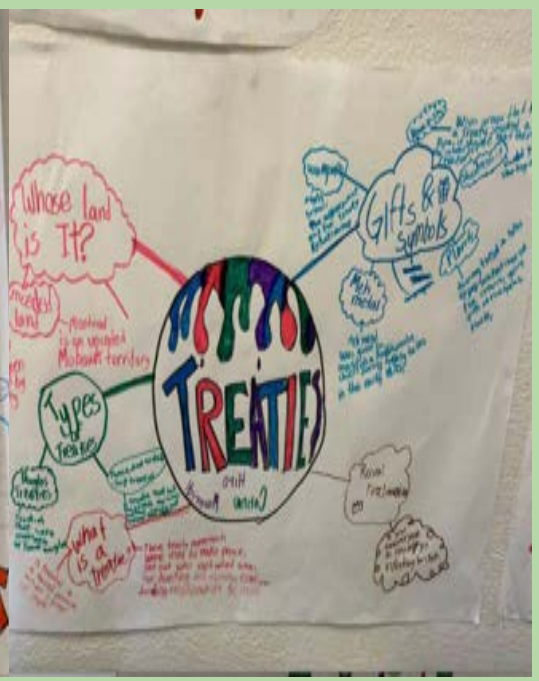
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# Grade 5 & 6 - Reflect upon Treaties.



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# Grades 4 & 5 & 6 - Strings



# Grade 4 & 5 & 6 - Strings



# Grade 5 & 6 - Band



# Grade 4 & 5 & 6 - Band





# Grade 5 & 6 - Art Show



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# Grade 5 & 6 - Art Show



## Grades 5 & 6 - X Movement



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# Gr. 5 & 6 X Movement



# Community night on X Movement





# Community night on X Movement



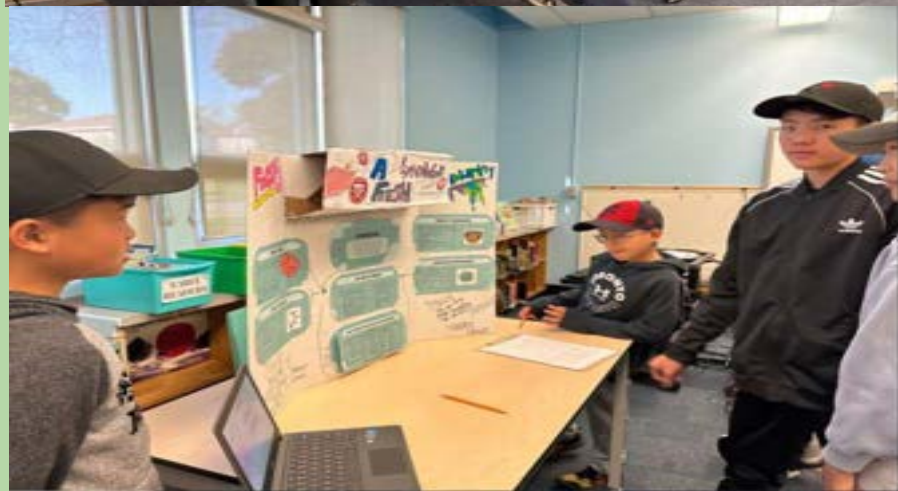
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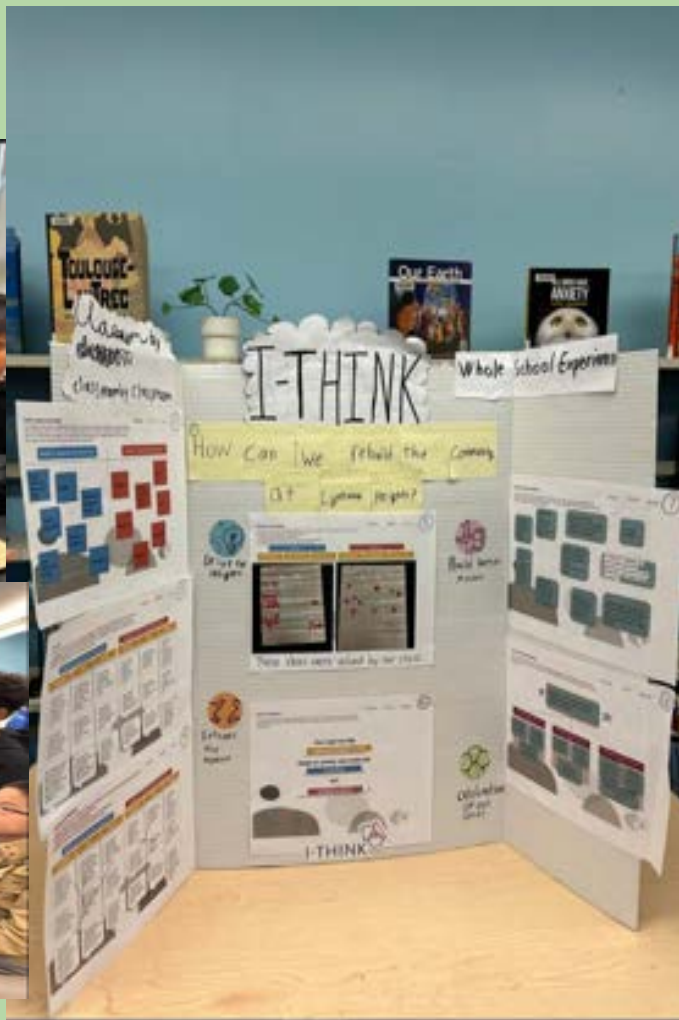
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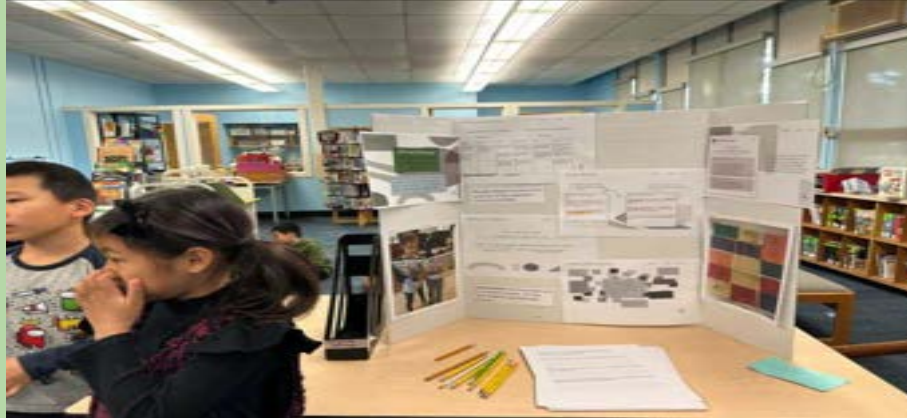




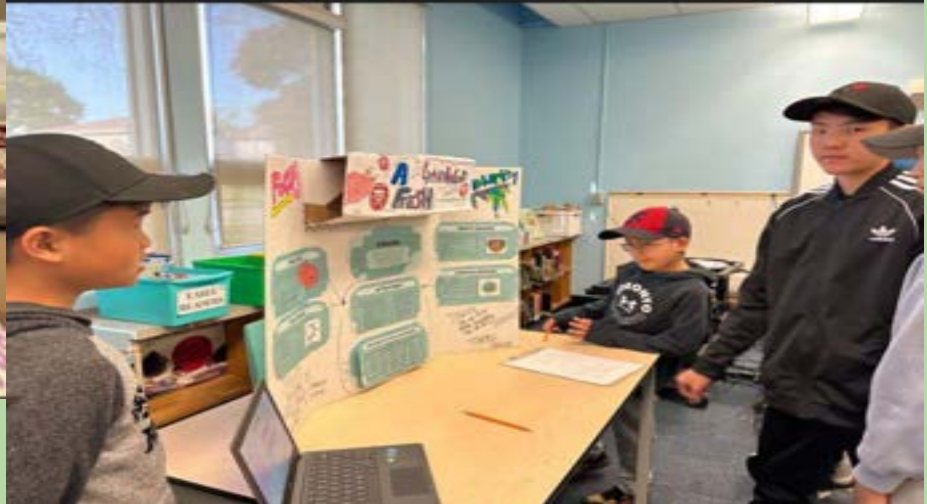
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# DD1 Bulletin Board



# DD1 Outdoor Fun 5-7



# DD1 Outdoor Fun 1-4





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# DD1 - Free Play



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# DD2 - Graduation



# Movie Night - June 1



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# Movie Night



# Arts Night - June 7th





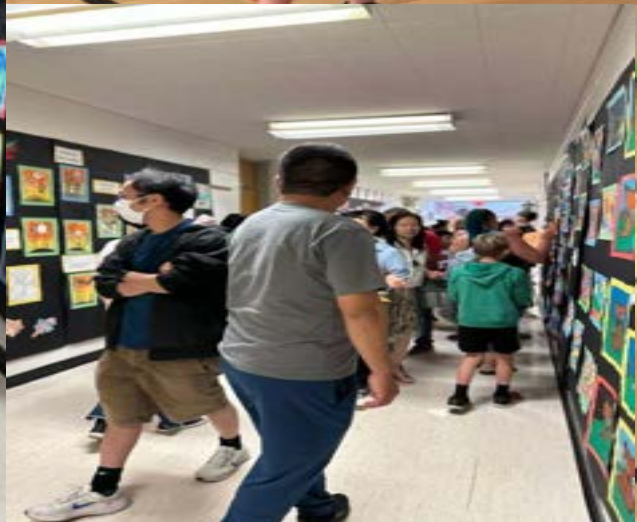
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# Volunteer Tea - June 21



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# Gr. 6 Graduation - June 23



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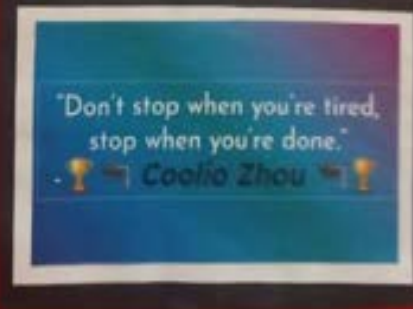


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# Gr. 6 Graduation Mandarin Lunch - June 28



# Saying Goodbye



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# Play Day - June 29



# Play Day - June 29



# Play Day - June 29

