

MALVERN JUNIOR P.S NEWSLETTER



April 2025

Administrators' Message

Spring has sprung! The warmer weather is beginning to start and our students at Malvern JPS have been enjoying some slightly warmer temperatures.

In April, our Character Trait is Cooperation. At Malvern we like to say that "Team work makes the dream work!" Our team consists of students, staff and parent/caregivers working together towards common goals. When we work together we can achieve great things!

We are excited about the upcoming school events – from Track and Field, to our Healthy Schools Leadership Club Family Wellness Night, the Ontario Cricket Association student sessions, Play Day and class excursions and/or workshops – there are many things we have to look forward to in the coming weeks! Go Malvern Go!

At the end of April we will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair once again. Thank you to Ms. Cheong, who has been working hard to plan and organize the Book Fair for our school.

Facility Updates

At the end of April our gym will be closed for 2-3 weeks as the lines in our gym will be getting a much needed refresher as they are being refinished and repainted. Additional lines will also be added to our floor to support game play during physical education activities. During this time, our Physical Education classes will take place outside (weather permitting).

School Council

Much appreciation to School Council for organizing and hosting the April Pizza Lunch fundraiser. It was a big



success! Thank you to our many families who supported this event.

School Council is currently planning one more Pizza Lunch in May and a Bake Sale (date TBD) before the school year ends.

Our next School Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 6th at 5:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

Earth Day 2025

On Tuesday, April 22nd, it is Earth Day. Earth Day is a celebration of the Earth and our environment. We are all connected to the Earth and therefore, we all have a



responsibility to take care of the Earth and reduce our environmental footprint as much as we can. At school, Earth Day will be recognized through a variety of classroom activities. The theme this year is "Our Power, Our Planet".

We invite our Malvern JPS families to engage in discussions with your children about how your family can reduce your use of electricity, ways to reuse, reduce and recycle items where possible, and how you can reduce your environmental footprint. More information is available at: www.earthday.org

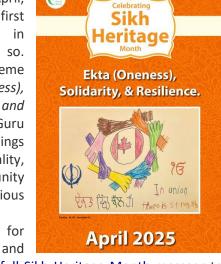
April is Sikh Heritage Month @ the TDSB

Since 2016, the TDSB has proudly recognized Sikh

Heritage

students

Month every April, becoming the first school board in Canada to do so. The 2025 theme is Ekta (Oneness), Solidarity, and Resilience. Guru Nanak's teachings on justice, equality, community and inspire various educational offerings for



staff. Read the full Sikh Heritage Month message to learn about the podcast series, educational videos and learning opportunities.

Know Your Worth Scholarship Package

The African Heritage (Black History) Month Committee's Know Your Worth Scholarship is for students of African heritage graduating from a TDSB secondary school. Students can now apply for the Kujichagulia Academic, Kuumba Creative, and Umoja Leadership awards, each worth \$2,000. The three different application links, submission requirements, and deadlines can be found in the Scholarship Package.

<u>Summer School Registration & Summer Programs</u>



Summer School Program registration is open! Spaces are limited, so the earlier you sign up, the better.

Click <u>HERE</u> for more information about 2025 TDSB Summer School options and for the online registration links.

The focus of the 2025 Elementary Literacy and Numeracy Summer School Program is to continue student engagement through July. Programs, embedded in Literacy and Numeracy, are developed by the summer school principal to reflect the local school focus. Programs are offered in-person to students in K to Grade 8, from July 2nd to July 25th. This year, one remote program will also be available for students in Grades 6-8. For more information, including a list of schools and online registration forms, visit the summer school program page.

Other Summer School Programs that are available include:

- Special Education and Inclusion Summer Program
- Summer Music & Art Camps

<u>Indigenous Student Summer Leadership Program</u>

This summer, First Nation, Métis and Inuit students can participate in a program that offers leadership opportunities, working with Indigenous mentors throughout the month of July. <u>Learn more</u> and students can express interest in the program by completing this form.

Latin x/o/a Community Consultation

Attend an upcoming community event on April 26 focused on gathering insights on how to support the academic achievement of students from the Latin America diaspora. Learn more and register here. For any questions, contact Jessica Ruiz: Jessica.ruiz@tdsb.on.ca.

Nimkii-Kwe Akiing (Thunder Women On The Land) Summer Cultural Leadership Camp

This summer from July 2-July 18, First Nations, Métis, and Inuit secondary students from across the TDSB will have the opportunity to learn from Indigenous Elders and Knowledge Keepers, engage in ceremony and celebrations, and learn from the land. Learn more and register here.

<u>Parent Involvement Advisory Committee</u> (PIAC) News

Stay connected with the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee's (PIAC) latest news, updates, and resources! Read the monthly newsletter by <u>clicking here</u>.

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<u>Malvern JPS</u>

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Grade 6 Graduation Photos	April 4
Mrs. Green's Class: Publishing	
Party	April 4
Jays Care Girls At Bat Program	
Begins (Grades 4&5)	April 7
Fire Safety Presentations:	
Kindergarten	April 8
Grade 2, 2/4 & 3	April 9
Grade 1 and 3/4	April 10
School Council Meeting	April 8
International Day of Pink	April 9
K-6 April Assembly	April 10
Pizza Lunch	April 15
U of T Trash Team Presentation:	
Ms. Tharmarajah's Class	April 15 & 17
Good Friday (No School)	April 18
Easter Monday (No School)	April 21
Earth Day	April 22
Administrative Professionals'	
Day	April 24
EQAO Parent/Caregiver Webina	r April 24
Spring Book Fair	April 28-May 2
Health Exemption Forms Due	April 25
Ms. Greer & Ms. Melchiorre's	
Class Trip	April 30
National Principal's Day	May 1
Children's Mental Health Week	May 5-9
School Council Meeting	May 6
K-6 Monthly Assembly	May 7
TPS Grade 4/5 Bike Rodeo	May 8
Ms. Tharmarajah's Class Trip	May 8
EQAO Assessment Window	May 7-June 11
Grade 1-6 Track & Field Day	May 12
Rain Date	
Parent/Caregiver Webinar:	
Self Regulation Strategies	May 13

Principal Andrea Lane
Vice Principal Maureen Damian
Superintendent Monday Gala
Trustee Yalini Rajakulasingam
Office Administrator Grace Romeo
Secretary (p.m.) Shahana Gobimanoharan
Head Caretaker Quang Lao