

**NMPPS Weekly Message**  
**Thursday June 5, 2025**

**No School - Friday June 6th (Tomorrow) - PA Day**

Elementary teachers will be engaged in Assessment and Reporting activities. More information is available on the [TDSB public website](#).

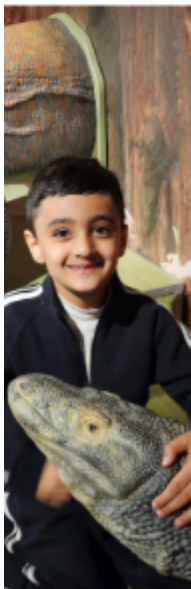
**Sponsored Book Fair - Free Books for All Students**

We're thrilled to announce that N.M.P.P.S has been selected for a very special Scholastic Book Fair, thanks to a generous sponsorship from Spin Master! On Tuesday, June 10th, each student will have the opportunity to choose two brand-new books – completely free! If your child is absent that day, they'll still have a chance to pick their books on Wednesday, June 11th.

Read a letter with further information from Scholastic and the sponsor Spin Master

**Ripley's Aquarium - Ms. Yerakarakos and Ms. Palmer's class**

Our trip to Ripley's Aquarium was an exciting and educational experience. We saw many interesting sea animals, including friendly stingrays, a graceful sea turtle, massive sharks, and unique rockfish. One of the most fascinating things we learned was how important an animal's skin is to its survival in its habitat. The aquarium gave us a closer look at how sea creatures adapt to their environments, making the visit both fun and informative.



### **Morning Bins in Rm 140 - Ms. Yerakarakos**

Rm 140 begins the day with Morning Bins to help get focused and start the learning day with a "minds-on" perspective!

We have a rotation of 5 bins containing various materials used in a week. Each contains a task card with steps students read and follow for completion. Tasks can be math, language or stem based. Students write and draw about their completed task using a "Morning Bin Task sheet". A labelled diagram with a sentence to describe their finished product is the modelled expectation.



## Welcome to Kindergarten!

The first day of kindergarten is an exciting time, but it can also be a little nerve-racking for kids and parents alike.

To help ease families into the transition, the Ministry of Education has prepared some wonderful new story and activity books. These are fun, engaging tools to help children get familiar with what to expect and build excitement for the big day.

Download the Newsletter - EarlyONs

Welcome to Kindergarten Poster (same as image below)



# Welcome to Kindergarten!

Download our free children's storybook today!

Experience the magic of the first day of school with Amira and Amir. A heartwarming story perfect for bedtime, story time or anytime!

Join them as they make new friends, learn exciting things, and have lots of fun on their first day of kindergarten!

- Perfect for ages 3-5
- Easy to read
- Fun for the whole family

Scan the QR code to download your free copy today!



## Support for Families: TDSB Summer 2025 Well-Being Guide

As the school year comes to a close, families may feel a mix of excitement and the need for extra support. The [TDSB Summer 2025 Well-Being Guide](#) is here to help, offering culturally responsive and identity-affirming resources to support the mental well-being of both students and families throughout the summer.

From mindfulness practices and creative activities to physical movement and access to local programs, the guide includes a wide range of tools to help every family enjoy a healthy, balanced summer. To ensure accessibility and inclusion, the guide is available in the TDSB's top 22 spoken languages.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out at [mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca).

**Indigenous History Month** – June is National Indigenous History Month and June 21 is National Indigenous Peoples Day. This is a time to celebrate and learn from First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples' diverse cultures, histories, contemporary contexts, perspectives, and achievements. [Learn more.](#)

**Italian Heritage Month** – Italian Heritage Month has been celebrated at the TDSB since 2012. This year's theme, *La Dolce Vita: Celebrating the Sweet Life of Italian Culture*, highlights the beauty of Italian traditions, food, and lifestyle. Learn how students and schools are honouring Italian heritage this June. [Learn more.](#)

**Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month** – The TDSB has proudly recognized Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month since 2011. This year's theme, *A Festa of Food*, explores the rich culinary traditions of Portuguese-speaking communities. Join us in celebrating with a parade, cultural events, and more. [Learn more.](#)

**Pride Month** – June is Pride Month at the TDSB! It's an opportunity to celebrate diversity and raise awareness among staff and students about the rich culture and history of the 2SLGBTQ+ community. We look forward to celebrating Pride 2025 with all 2SLGBTQ+ students, staff, and allies. Learn more about upcoming activities and how you can get involved [here](#).

**2025-26 School Year Calendar** – The [2025-26 School Year Calendar](#) is now available online. The first day of classes for all students is **Tuesday, September 2, 2025**.