



Park Lawn JMS Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Spring fever is in the air here at Park Lawn! Our Little Mermaid rehearsals are going strong in preparation for our May performances and our Track and Field training is happening 3 mornings a week! Our Grade 6 Co-Ed Volleyball team is heading to their second tournament at John English and our Badminton Team is preparing for their tournament at James. S. Bell on April 10th. Our Grade 6, 7, and 8 instrumental students are working hard preparing for their May concert.

On Thursday April 11th Park Lawn will be participating in the International Day of Pink. We decided, as a school, to recognize the Day of Pink the day after the official day due to some scheduling conflicts. We hope to see a wave of pink clothing throughout the school that day! Our Grade 4 to 8 students will be participating in an Assembly organized by their peers and our JK to 3 students will be listening to some read-aloud stories to mark the importance of this day.

Dental screening will be happening at Park Lawn at the end of the month. The screening is an assessment by an oral health staff member using sterilized mouth mirrors. The oral health staff member will assess the need for topical fluoride, scaling, sealant and any other obvious dental needs. - Lisa Handiak

School Advisory Council

Happy Spring Park Lawn JMS Families! We hope everyone enjoyed March Break.

On Tuesday April 23rd from 6:30pm-8:00pm, we will be hosting a parent workshop on "Managing Meanness by Cultivating Kindness" put on by Arts Express. A student workshop on the same topic will take place during school hours. The date for the student workshop has yet to be determined.

The event the kids are anxiously waiting for, Park Lawn Palooza! It is being held on **Friday May 24th**, on the school grounds. This is a large event, which brings the entire community together in support of our amazing school. The event coordinators are still in need of sponsors, donations, and volunteers. Please consider helping to make this event the amazing success it has been in years past. If you are able to assist with any of these, please contact : Laina Taylor (lainataylor@hotmail.com) for volunteers and Tomiko Taylor (tomikotaylor@gmail.com) for sponsorship/silent auction.

The next SAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 2nd at 7pm in the staff room. If you need child minding, please contact our Vice Principal Debra Marshall-Macleod debra.marshall-macleod@tdsb.on.ca. We hope to see you there.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let either one of us know.

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Park Lawn Public School presents: The Managing Meanness by Cultivating Kindness Workshop

Tuesday, April 23rd 6:30pm-8:00pm

This presentation will begin with an introduction to the topic of social meanness and how it effects human development. Tools will be taught throughout the evening to help the victim, bystander, perpetrator and parent positively change the direction of an uncomfortable situation by implementing the use of empathy, compassion, tolerance and inclusiveness.

Congratulations to our Grade 5 student Charlize for having her poem, My Bright Discovery, published in Urban Voices! Well done!

My Bright Discovery

Amongst the gentle woods, stands a tree, with leaves as silky as the most lovely hair.

I tamper with the bark, wrapping it around my finger. As I peel, I uncover lost segments. The tree accepts them.

I dig deep into myself, launching out the barriers. I find my lost components, and like the wise tree, I accept them.

Dates to Remember - May 2019

May 3: Sight and Sound Testing
 May 7 - 10: Little Mermaid
 May 7: SAC Meeting

May 13: Instrumental Music Concert
 May 21: EQAO Begins - Grade 3
 May 22: Pizza Lunch

May 24: Park Lawn Palooza!
 May 26: Grade 6 EQAO begins