

June 2023

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Upcoming Events

June

- 2: PD Day No School for Students Assessment and Evaluations
- 6: Trustee Nunziata Ward Forum
- 8: Gr 5 FI Tour of John English
- 9: Council Pizza Lunch
- 12: Council Meeting, 6:30PM
ZOOM link:
<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/5433391421>
- 13: Gr 5 English Tour Lanor PS
- 16: Volunteer Tea, 12:30PM
- 16 – **New Date** Council Pizza Lunch
- 20: FDK Play Day
- 23: Grade 5 Moving On Day
Virtual Ceremony, 9AM
- 26: Gr 1-4 Play Day/Gr 5 Marie Curtis Park Day
- 27: Rain Date: Gr 1-4 Play Day/Gr 5 Marie Curtis Park Day
- 28: Report Cards Distributed
- 30: Rainbow Colours Spirit Day
- 30: Last Day of School

Character Attribute
Perseverance

Pride Month
Italian, Portuguese Speaking
& Filipino Heritage Month
National Indigenous History

Principal's Message:

Dear SAB families,

It is hard to believe that we are heading into the final month of the school year. May was an incredibly busy month as we opened our doors to showcase student learning during Education week. Thank you to all the staff who took leadership roles in organizing the various events and the entire staff for their support. The following week, our junior school ambassadors hosted student led tours for our new FDK students and their families. Our grade 4 students completed their Swim to Survive program at the Alderwood pool and our Grade 5 students enjoyed being exposed to a wonderful outdoor education overnight experience at the Etobicoke Outdoor Education Centre. Congratulations to our junior softball teams on their successful seasons. Our track and field team is preparing for their upcoming competitions this month. Thank you to all the teachers that have volunteered to support our athletes. A reminder to all athletes to please return your team jersey to the coaches as soon as possible.

The warmer weather allows more families to walk, ride and board to school. Please remind your child to wear a helmet when riding or boarding to school. We hope families that need to drive to school will utilise the Eltham Drive, Kiss N Ride designated area to further decrease parking lot congestion. For the safety of all our students and families please drive with care and do not park in yellow lined drop off zone or areas designated accessible parking areas.

Mme Monpierre is retiring. After an outstanding career as a teacher (grades 1 - 10), following a distinguished career as a translator-interpreter for the federal government, and as a press attaché in a publishing company in France, Mme Monpierre has accepted the position of Principal at an independent school, in Ontario. Mme Monpierre will continue to bring excellence, dedication and leadership in her new role. We want to thank Mme Monpierre for the many lives she has touched at Sir Adam Beck, and wish her the best in her new endeavour.

As the month unfolds our thoughts will be with those students who will be Moving On to grade 6. We extend our best wishes and know that they will continue to make us proud as they venture off to middle school. Report cards will be distributed on June 28th.

On behalf of the students, staff and administration we would like to thank the School Council and all of the parent/guardian/caring adult volunteers for all your support this year. We could not have done it without you. Please join us at our volunteer appreciation tea on June 16th.

Best wishes for an amazing summer.

Keep well and stay safe.

M. Kanalec

Principal Michael Kanalec
Vice-Principal Lauren Rovas
Superintendent Dr Debbie Donsky
Trustee Patrick Nunziata
School Council Co-Chairs
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June 2023 Council Corner

Email: sabschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/290183431386941>

Website: <https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/siradambeck/School-Council>

Council - this past year and next!

It's hard to believe this school year is soon coming to an end. Please take a few moments to let us know how Council did so we can better plan for the upcoming year:

[End of year SAB School Council Survey](#)

Council would like to extend a special thank you to the office administration, our teachers and support staff and SAB families and volunteers for their incredible support this past year. If you liked what you saw, we hope you consider joining Council next year. Look for details on how to self-nominate in September.

X Movement Dance donation

X Movement is coming to SAB on June 5 to offer a few workshops free of charge! X Movement is an industry leader in Whole Child Health, promoting positive mental health and wellness through physical activity and mindfulness. They provide exciting and engaging workshops for elementary-aged students, health and wellness resources for teachers and bring communities together through engagement events. Each workshop focuses on different social and emotional outcomes, delivered through a combination of creative, expressive and mindful movement.

Donations for Teacher Appreciation Day - June 22

Each year, Council organizes a day to treat teachers and staff for supporting our children. If you are able to donate any nut-free items, please sign up here:

[Teacher Appreciation Sign-up sheet](#)

Thanks in advance for dropping them off to the SAB staff room on June 22 at 8:30 a.m.

Fundraising updates

The Hollywood Spring Dance raised \$4,500!

Council fundraising supported a field trip to the Harbourfront Centre for children who participated in the Forest of Reading club throughout the year.



In-person Ward Forum re: TDSB

On Tuesday, June 6 from 6:30 to 8 p.m., hear from TDSB Finance staff on the challenges facing the Board and the plan to balance the 2023-24 operating budget. Register online:

[Registration form - TDSB Finance update](#)

Diversity & Inclusion Corner

Pride | This month, TDSB recognizes LGBTQ2S+ Pride, where we honour and support the diverse identities within our school community. More than ever, it is crucial that we create an inclusive environment where all students and families feel respected, valued, and safe. We have the opportunity to show our support for LGBTQ2S+ students and families, including the importance of protecting trans kids.

Transgender children face unique challenges. Many are at a higher risk of mental health crises and self-harm. By fostering an affirming school and home environment, we can greatly improve these outcomes. As parents, we can engage our families by educating ourselves and our children about gender diversity and transgender experiences. Let's initiate conversations about inclusivity, belonging, and respect for all individuals, regardless of their gender identity or expression. We can also seek resources from local LGBTQ2S+ organizations, listen to lived experiences, attend community events, and support policies that protect and support trans youth.

Indigenous Heritage Month | This month, we acknowledge and celebrate Indigenous Heritage, a time to honour the rich cultures, traditions, and histories of the First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples. It is important to foster an environment that recognizes and respects the unique contributions and experiences of Indigenous communities. As parents, we can engage our families by exploring Indigenous history, art, literature, and music. We can read books written by Indigenous authors, watch films and documentaries that shed light on their perspectives, and visit local museums or cultural centers to learn more about their heritage.

A great place to start, even for very young children, is with something they already know. Talk about the land acknowledgments they hear daily on the announcements, and ask what they know. See if they have more questions and visit the library as a family to learn more. These acknowledgments are a way to honour and recognize the traditional territories of Indigenous peoples and their ongoing connection to the land.



HAPPY SUMMER BREAK

June 2023

CONTACT US

Mme Mahaney
Mme Dibon-Smith

SAB Athletics



Softball

Congratulations to the girls' softball team on a great tournament and finish. The girls placed second in the West Conference and will play against Wedgewood P.S. in the Conference Finals on June 12th. We would also like to congratulate our boys' softball team on a great tournament. They gave it their all and fought to the end. Good job boys!



Track & Field

On May 9th, 23 students participated in the Track & Field West Conference Meet. They all did a great job of representing our school and demonstrated great team spirit. Congratulations to all of the students moving on to the West Conference Finals Meet on June 6th at Centennial Park Stadium.



Grade 5 Slideshow

We are in the midst of putting together a Grade 5 graduation slideshow. If parents have pictures from sporting events they would like to share, please e-mail them to Mme Dibon-Smith.



Thank You!

We want to extend our gratitude to all of our parent volunteers and drivers during these sporting events. Your time and support is greatly appreciated. These events would not be possible without you.

EcoSchools Green Team Update



This year, Sir Adam Beck joined over 1,500 schools across Canada and schools in over 73 countries who engaged in environmental learning. Sir Adam Beck went through the certification process that involves submitting actions that were taken and an audit that highlights actions along with environmental education that the EcoSchools team and classrooms have completed throughout the school year. With the help of the EcoSchools Green Team members and all students at Sir Adam Beck, EcoSchools Lead Teachers and teachers who helped implement actions, support staff, caretakers, parent council, parents, caregivers, AAASI and community members, Sir Adam Beck maintained Platinum by EcoSchools Canada for the 2022-2023 school year!



Some of the actions we took that helped us achieve this were:

- Walk on Wednesday & Walking School Bus
- Recycling Bin Monitors & Waste Wizards
- Waste Audits, Energy Audits & Plastic Water Bottle Audit
- National Sweater Day & the Great Big Crunch
- The Great Big Gulp & World Water Day
- Clothing Exchange
- Earth Hour & Earth Day, Week & Month
- Clean Toronto Together
- UN Goals Actions Board
- Food, flower and herb centennial garden
- Litterless and Boomerang lunch & reusable water bottles



JUNE

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Volunteers

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

SAB Staffroom
12:30 - 1:30 pm

Please join us for coffee, tea and treats to show our appreciation for all your hard work and dedication to our school community this year.



Joint Ward Forum

Wards 1, 2 and 3 School/Student Councils, Parents/Caregivers, Community Members, and School Staff, please join us for a special joint ward forum:

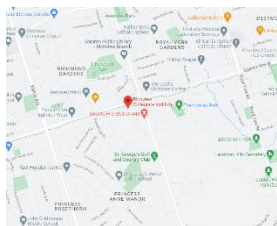
Joint In-Person Ward Forum

Tuesday June 6, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Please join Trustees Hastings, MacLean, and Nunziata along with special guest Stacey Zucker, Associate Director, Modernization and Strategic Resource Alignment, for an In-Person Joint Ward Forum to hear from TDSB Finance staff on the challenges facing the Board and the plan to balance the 2023-24 operating budget.

How to Join the Ward Forum

If you are interested in participating, please [Register Online](https://forms.gle/fiysXcd5xst9VoKW8)
(<https://forms.gle/fiysXcd5xst9VoKW8>)



Location & Map
Richview Collegiate Institute
School Auditorium
1738 Islington Ave
M9A 3N2

Light refreshments will be provided
Childcare available.



Joint Ward Forum

2023-24 TDSB Budget **Virtual Town Halls**

Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.



The TDSB is holding two virtual town hall meetings where staff will present the plan for the 2023-24 budget. Join us to learn more about the budget, ask questions and share your feedback.

Wednesday, June 7, 2023
1-2 p.m.

[Zoom Link to join the Budget Town Hall](#)

Wednesday, June 7, 2023
7-8 p.m.

[Zoom Link to join the Budget Town Hall](#)