

June 2024

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Upcoming Events

June

- 3-11:** Gr 3 EQAO Assessment
- 7:** PD Day No School for Students
- 10:** Council Meeting, 6:30PM
Meeting Link
<https://meet.google.com/gzn-muqf-bch>
- 14:** Volunteer Tea, 12:30PM
- 14/28:** Council Pizza Lunch
- 18:** FDK Play Day
- 21:** Grade 5 Moving On Day
Ceremony, 9AM
- 24:** Gr 1-4 Play Day/Gr 5 Marie
Curtis Park Day
- 25:** Rain Date: Gr 1-4 Play Day/
Gr 5 Marie Curtis Park Day
- 26:** Report Cards Distributed
- 27:** Retirement Celebration Open House
- 28:** Rainbow Colours Spirit Day
- 28:** Last Day of School

Character Attribute
Perseverance

Pride Month

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



Principal: Michael Kanalec
Office Administrator: Maureen Huddleston
Superintendent: Dr Debbie Donsky
Trustee: Patrick Nunziata
School Council: Sara Chow,
Co-Chairs: Japmeen Johal
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Principal's Message:

Dear SAB families,

The final month of the school year is upon us! 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 3-5 students completed their levelled swim program at the Alderwood pool and both of our junior softball teams enjoyed successful seasons. The track and field team continues to prepare for their upcoming competitions in June. Thank you to all the teachers and parents that have volunteered to support our athletes. A reminder to all athletes to please return your team jersey to the coaches as your season wraps up. The month wrapped up with a special dance workshop presented by the Community Dance Department at Canada's National Ballet School. It was a wonderful experience which focused on providing a fun and interactive opportunity for our students.

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 continue to use the Eltham Drive, Kiss N Ride designated area to help lessen parking lot congestion. For the safety of all our students and families please drive with care and do not park in the yellow lined drop-off zone or areas designated as accessible parking areas. A special thanks to Gina Vivian and her team of volunteer staff and parents for running the Parent Safety Program at drop off and pick up in our main parking lot.

Thank you to the School Council for organizing this year's staff appreciation day and to all the families that donated goodies for the event. We appreciate the recognition of the hard work and dedication our teachers and support staff put forth each and every day in providing a welcoming, safe and engaging learning environment for all of our students. 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 14th.

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 26th.

Best wishes for an amazing summer.
Keep well and stay safe.

M. Kanalec



June 2024 Council Corner

Sir Adam Beck
SCHOOL COUNCIL

Email: sabschoolcouncil@gmail.com

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

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

Next Council Meeting: Monday, June 10 - 6:30pm-8pm, in-person in the staff room or online:
<https://meet.google.com/gzn-muqf-bch>

2023-24 School Council Recap

It's hard to believe this school year is soon coming to an end. Council would like to extend a huge thank you to the office administration, our teachers and support staff and SAB families and volunteers for their incredible support this past year!

Together, over the past school year, with our SAB school council, SAB teachers and staff, and numerous volunteers, we have:

- Hosted a welcome BBQ in September
- Hosted pizza lunch every other Friday during the school year
- Supported a safe parking lot pick-up and drop-off experience with the kiss-and-ride program
- Supported our Angel Fund, providing funds for any extra school costs like field trips, for anyone that needs it
- Provided apples for the Big Crunch
- Supported classroom activities with a budget for each teacher
- Supported student activities with a budget for class experiences
- Connected students with extra-education programs at lunch and after school (i.e. robotics club, lego club, chess club, etc.)
- Hosted a Mad Science presentation for students
- Hosted a mobile planetarium visit for students
- Hosted a math workshop for parents and caregivers
- Hosted an early literacy workshop for parents and caregivers
- Hosted an author visit for the Lunar New Year
- Hosted two dances (one in partnership with the Grade 5 committee)
- Held a Poinsettia fundraiser
- Held a Big Box of Cards fundraiser
- Hosted a family movie night
- Helped keep families informed of what's going on at SAB

Tell us how we did! Please take a few moments to fill in this short survey about the school council this past school year: [2023-24 Council Survey](#)

Join the School Council as a voting member in 2024-25!

School Councils are an excellent way for parents/guardians to become engaged in the school.

The purpose of the Council is to improve student achievement and enhance the accountability of the education system.

Ways you can be involved:

Role	Who	How you can impact the school	Time commitment
School Council Member at Large	Everyone. All SAB parents/guardians are automatically members-at-large on council.	You can attend council meetings, learn about how the school works, and ask about issues that are important to you, and how they are/might be supported at SAB.	None, or as interested
Volunteer	Any parent, guardian, caregiver, or community member can sign up for volunteer opportunities throughout the year. <i>A valid police check is required for in-school volunteering.</i>	When kids see their caregivers get involved in their school, it helps send the message that school is important, it is a safe place and I belong here. Volunteer options are endless, and work with multiple schedules, and don't have to be during school hours or even in the building. For example: At school: serve pizza on pizza day, in-class reading support, Kiss and Ride program, sports teams Events: dance/BBQ/event volunteer, leading or helping a fundraiser or event Out of school: researching or planning speakers or author visits, exploring fundraising vendors, putting up posters, Costco run for supplies, fundraiser deliveries	As much or a little as you want. There are options for volunteering for single events one-time, for a short project like planning a fundraiser or event, or on a consistent schedule.
School Council Voting Member	SAB parents/guardians can self-nominate and run for council voting positions.	These are formal roles with a stronger voice on School Council, with voting privileges on initiatives, priorities, fundraising and how funds are spent. There are 13 voting positions available for parents/guardians for a one-year term. Self-nominations are due in September 2024. Elections are held at our first Council meeting of the year on Monday, September 16, 2024. Interested candidates should fill out the Self-Nomination Form and email it to sabschoolcouncil@gmail.com in September to be included on the ballot.	1.5hrs/month for monthly meetings + responsibilities of role

Change in Pizza Lunch Dates

Please note that the final two dates for pizza lunch are **June 14** and **June 28**.

Council Movie Night

Thank you SAB families for attending our Movie Night last Friday May 24!

This free event, funded in part by the Ontario Ministry of Education Parent Engagement Fund drew a big crowd, with nearly 200 attendees and 65 families!

Everyone enjoyed the movie Migration with popcorn, drinks and pizza, plus freezies at the end.

Thank you to our volunteers who made this happen, kept the food and drinks going, the AV crew who took care of the screen and sound, and the set up/clean up crew.

Teacher & Staff Appreciation

Thank you to all the families who donated snacks, treats, and drinks on May 29th for our teacher and staff appreciation event.

And to all the teachers and staff at SAB, thank you for everything you do!

Big Box of Cards Fundraising - Prizes for top sellers

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Big Box of Cards Fundraiser! Here are the winners of the prizes for top sellers:

Class pizza party: Mme Brown's class (Mr. Chire) with a total of 51 sales

Four \$25 Indigo gift cards:

1. Everett & Jacob Gingrich
2. Avery Mastroianni
3. Ryan Sandu
4. Hailey Witney

Samsung tablet: Ryan Carvalho

Prizes can be picked up in the front office.

Volunteers Needed! - Thanks in advance for your support

- Kiss and ride (AM and PM) - [sign up to volunteer here](#)
- Pizza lunch - Email sabpizzalunch@gmail.com. Volunteers meet in the gym at 10:45 AM and aid in handing out pizza until approximately 12:15 PM The list of lunch dates is available here: [Calendar](#)

Diversity & Inclusion Corner

June is National Indigenous History Month and June 21st is National Indigenous Peoples Day. It is a time to celebrate and learn from First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples' diverse cultures, histories, experiences, creations, perspectives, and achievements. On Friday, June 21, the TDSB recognizes National Indigenous Peoples Day. This is a day of significance for many Indigenous Peoples in the country we call Canada today. It marks the day when the Sun is closest to the Earth. It is the longest day of the year and the shortest night. Many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples celebrate the Summer Solstice. It is a time that reminds us to remain grounded, humble and appreciative. It is usually celebrated by coming together with family and community for a feast.

Italian Heritage Month has been proudly recognized during the month of June at the TDSB. This year's theme for Italian Heritage Month is *Sharing Our Stories and Embracing Our Future/Condividere le nostre storie e abbracciare il nostro futuro*.

In June, we celebrate Pride in the TDSB. It's an opportunity to celebrate diversity and raise awareness among all staff and students about the rich culture and history of our 2SLGBTQ+ community.

ARTS UPDATE!

During the month of May, students participated in Sir Adam Beck's Showcase of Learning. There was singing! There was dancing! There was a wonderful display of creativity, musicality, hardwork, and showmanship. The two evening presentations met with rave reviews; WELL DONE to everyone! Junior students are now in the throes of presenting their musical artists' research projects to peers. Kids have worked hard this month to ready interactive presentations (which are going very well thus far). Primary students have now moved back into the realm of Visual Arts. Although we continue to listen to music, primary students are now busy learning about the Art Element of *Value*! Stay tuned for next month's big project...!!

HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND DANCE NEWS!

What a very busy year it has been in our HPED program. The Grade 4/5 students just wrapped a mini volleyball unit and will finish off the year engaging in a variety of outdoor activities. The Grade 3/4 students are wrapping up Dance projects and the Grade 1-2 students are learning kickball (soccer) skills. Human Development is the Health focus for all grade levels.

I'd like to take this time to thank families for their support throughout the school year. I have thoroughly enjoyed my position teaching Physical Education, Dance and Health at this school. I wish you all the very best and a safe and fun filled summer break!

Regards,
Leslie -Anne Giorgio
H.P.E.D



HAPPY SUMMER BREAK

June 2024

SAB Athletics

CONTACT US

Mme Mahaney
Mme Dibon-Smith
Mr. Reinhart



Softball

Congratulations to the girls' softball team on a great tournament and finish. The girls placed second in the West Conference and will play in the Conference Finals on June 6th. Our boys have also been preparing for their tournament. Their tournament was rained out and they will be playing on Thursday, May 30th. Good luck to both teams!



Track & Field

On May 24th, 22 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 5th 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.

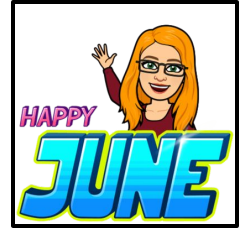
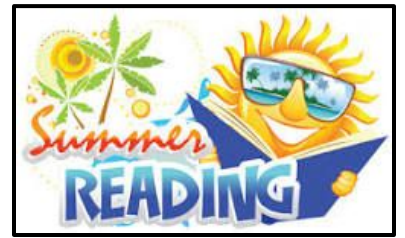
June Library News

June is going to be a very busy month. We will celebrate PRIDE, it is Italian and Portuguese heritage month, and National Indigenous History Month.

Our read alouds will reflect these, as well as the character trait of perseverance. With each read aloud, we focus on specific reading strategies. For example, comprehension, inferencing, and predicting what is going to happen in a story.

Forest of Reading

On May 14th, the Forest of Reading Book club went to Harbourfront Centre for the day. We watched the award ceremony, got free books, saw authors give lectures, did some arts and crafts and even saw the Mayor of Toronto, Olivia Chow. The students had a wonderful time and it was a fantastic culminating activity for all their dedication to reading.





End of Year in the Library

The last cycle for book exchange will be June 3 - 10.

After that, students will be provided with lists of overdue books. Please begin looking for "lost" and overdue books at home and we will be searching those desks and lockers at school to make sure books are returned before the end of the school year.

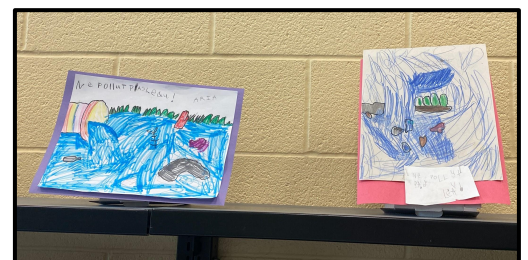


West End Library Workshop

On May 25th, Sir Adam Beck hosted the TDSB west end library workshop. Librarians from 9 different TDSB schools came to check out our unique library partnership. We spend about 2 hours after school discussing library programming, partnering and innovative ways to improve student engagement and learning. It was a wonderful opportunity to share and collaborate with colleagues.

Art in the Library

Mme Sirait's French Immersion Kindergarten class did an exploration into water pollution. They completed a beautiful mixed media collage as a class and then individual students drew and wrote about water pollution. Drop by the library to have a look at their beautiful creations.



Library Classes

Throughout the month of May, we focused our learning on Asian and Jewish heritage month. We spent a lot of time studying the world atlas to find out exactly where Asia is and which countries are in Asia. We learned that Asia is the biggest continent on Earth, has the most people, tallest mountains, the only place where pandas live in the wild and Japan has very fast trains. We read books about dancing the Hora, a boy who wants to wear a bindi and what the bindi means. Also, Miss Katherine finished a spring theme reading with the kindergarten classes.



TD Summer Reading Club

The Toronto Public Library TD Summer Reading Program will begin on June 22nd. Drop in anytime during the summer to join, read books and win prizes. The Alderwood TPL branch will also be having drop-in programs for school aged students every Monday, Tuesday and Friday. Check their website or pop into the branch for more information.



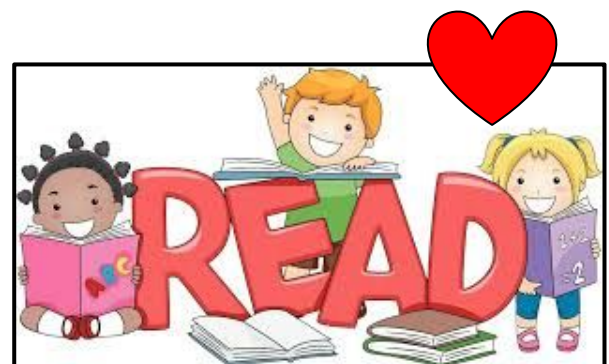
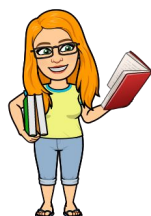
Have a great summer!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support and help throughout the year. We had a wonderful year in the library and we are looking forward to an even better one next year. I wish you all a wonderful and relaxing summer full of great books, laughter and happy times. Have a great summer!

If you have any questions about the library, please don't hesitate to contact me via email: kathy.botham@tdsb.on.ca

Happy reading!!!

Ms. Kathy Botham



»»» MAY 21ST 2024 «««

SAB BLUE JAYS NIGHT

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER



OUR GRADE 5 STUDENTS TAKE THE FIELD

On Tuesday, May 21st, our grade 5 students had the honour of singing the American and Canadian national anthems at the Rogers Center in front of a crowd of 28 000, including over 525 SAB community members, friends, and families. They sang beautifully and with so much confidence. We are so proud of our students who represented SAB and our country with so much pride.

THANK YOU «««

We want to thank everyone for supporting this special event. Despite the Jays' loss, it was a great night for our community to come together, eat loonie dogs, and represent our school. It means a lot to our students to know they had the support of so many. They returned to school the next morning excited to sing the Canadian national anthem during morning announcements.





Friday June 14th

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.



You Are Invited To an Open House

Retirement Party

In Honour Of

BEV MYHAL

STACEY LORTZ

STEVEN BURAZIN

TETYANA KITAYGORA



THURSDAY
10:00 AM

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JUNE 2024



SIR ADAM BECK JUNIOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

Classrooms - 10:00AM - 11:30AM

Staff room - 11:30AM - 12:00PM





Join the Toronto Nature Stewards in the Etobicoke Creek Ravine!

Join us **every Wednesday, from 6-8 PM** to remove invasive plants, pick up litter, and learn about biodiversity and native species together!



Learn more at torontonaturestewards.org
or **email** David Burnett our local Lead
Steward at gdb00001@gmail.com



2024 SUMMER BASKETBALL CAMP

HAVE FUN LEARNING & PLAYING BASKETBALL WITH FRIENDS & EXPERIENCED COACHES THIS SUMMER AT THE ETOBICOKE BASKETBALL CAMPS!

WEEK #	DATE	CAMP	AGES	PRICE	LOCATION
One	July 2 - 5	Coed	9 - 13	\$320	LCI
Two	July 8 - 12	Boys	9 - 13	\$395	Silverthorn
Two	July 8 - 12	Girls	9 - 13	\$395	LCI
Two	July 8 - 12	Junior	7 & 8	\$395	Second St.
Three	July 15 - 19	Boys	9 - 13	\$395	Silverthorn
Three	July 15 - 19	Coed	9 - 13	\$395	LCI
Four	July 22 - 26	Boys	9 - 13	\$395	Silverthorn
Four	July 22 - 26	Coed	9 - 13	\$395	LCI
Five	July 29 - Aug 2	Girls Rep	9 - 13	\$395	LCI
Five	July 29 - Aug 2	Boys Rep	9 - 13	\$395	Silverthorn

Lakeshore C.I (LCI)

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ON M8V 3L1

Silverthorn C.I.

291 Mill Rd, Etobicoke,
ON M9C 1Y5

Second Street J.M.S.

71 Second St, Etobicoke,
ON M8V 2X4

FOR MORE DETAILS & TO REGISTER

ONLINE TODAY GO TO:

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