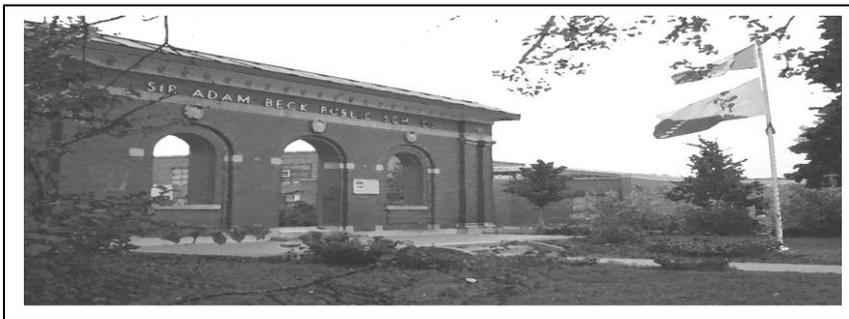


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Upcoming Events

May

3-5 Education Week

3: Council Meeting, 6:30PM

Google Meet joining info

<https://meet.google.com/fss-gcqs-gdi>

6: Virtual FDK Information
Evening for new families starting in
September 2021

12: School Council Webinar -
Empowering parents to talk
about race: a discussion of bias
and privilege.

Advance registration is required:

<https://bit.ly/3gGKrMQ>

24: Victoria Day Holiday – No
School

28: Occupation Day Spirit day

Character Attribute
Integrity

Asian Heritage Month
Jewish Heritage Month

Principal's Message:

Dear SAB families,

This past month the Government of Ontario announced that all schools in the province, including those at the TDSB, will be moving to remote learning following the April break. This decision was in response to the rapid increase in COVID-19 cases, the increasing risks posed to the public by COVID-19 variants, and the spike in hospital admissions. The government indicated that data will be assessed on an ongoing basis and health officials will be consulted to determine when it will be safe to resume in-person learning. We understand that this announcement was difficult to hear. The multiple transitions between in-person and remote learning this school year have been a challenge for everyone. We will continue to do everything we can to support our students, staff and families. Please continue to follow health advisories.

Every month the TDSB recognizes different heritages. In May we recognize Asian and Jewish heritage month. We continue to be saddened by the extremely violent acts of anti-Asian and anti-Semitic racism that are being reported around the world and in our own country. As a school community we will continue to work within the TDSB Equity Policy to further our commitment to the elimination of discrimination, promotion of fairness, equity, acceptance, and inclusion. We thank our School Council and the school community for supporting us in our journey. Council sponsored anti-racism webinars and the purchase of classroom books related to diversity and inclusion are powerful examples of how our School Council is directly supporting our commitment to nurturing a more inclusive, equitable and just world for our students.

I have had the pleasure of visiting a number of virtual classrooms over the past weeks. I continue to be impressed by our students and would like to complement them on their hard work, independence and on following our school agreements of attentive listening, mutual respect, appreciation and participation. I would also like to recognize and thank our entire staff - teachers, ECEs and support staff - for all the work they have put into programming for our students and making the very best of a very challenging situation

We look forward to the day when everyone can return to in person learning. And when we do return it will not be to "normal" it will be to "better"
Keep well and stay safe.

M. Kanalec

Principal Michael Kanalec
Vice-Principal TBA
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May 2021 Council Corner

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May 12 Webinar - Empowering parents to talk about race: a discussion of bias and privilege

We are delighted to host a second anti-racism webinar, facilitated by Jonathan Hood. This interactive discussion will equip parents to talk about race with their children after gaining a better understanding of the topics of bias and privilege. The start time is a bit later at 7 p.m. due to feedback received from previous parent webinars.

When: Wednesday, May 12 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Advance registration is required: <https://bit.ly/3gGKrMQ>

Speaker: Jonathan Hood, Aheadofthegame.ca

Council acknowledges the receipt of a Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant from the Government of Ontario for engagement on this important topic.



New book purchases on their way

The books purchased for classrooms from our \$1000 raised through Indigo Flipgive are on their way! Council worked with teachers to identify books related to diversity and inclusion in both English and French. Titles include: Be Who You Are, The Family Book, Shades of People, The Sharing Circle, Tous différent, Enfants du monde: Le racisme et l'intolérance

Active fundraising campaigns

You can shop from the comfort of your own home during this lockdown, while also supporting the school. Check out how to buy products from popular retailers, including Indigo and Tru Earth: <https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/siradambeck/School-Council/Fundraising>

Learning corner

Teach your children to type: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zf2f9j6/articles/z3c6tfr>

Raise funds for former students' education after tragic loss

Former SAB students Junior and Justin Reed recently lost their father after having lost their mother the previous year. Funds are being raised for their education.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/education-fund-for-junior-justin-reed>

Volunteer Annual Offence Declaration

We acknowledge all of our amazing volunteers even though volunteering in the school has been put on hold. If you are listed on our volunteer data base it is important for you to carry out your annual Offence Declaration. All volunteers currently on our Volunteer Database with an approved police reference clearance are required to carry out an annual offence declaration. This can be done by contacting the main office (416 394 7670) or virtually during the COVID restrictions by emailing Michael.kanalec@tdsb.on.ca to initiate the process.

Alderwood Action After School (AAASI) Summer Camp

Alderwood Action After School (AAASI) is happy to announce that we are ready for summer, and wanted to inform the Alderwood community that we have a select few available spots in both the Kindergarten and School age rooms. Enrollment is now open for those families who attend Sir Adam Beck, and would like to use us for the summer months. Please note that kindergarten admission is monthly and school age is weekly. We will be accepting summer enrollment on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Should you be interested in registering, please email us (director@aaasi.ca). Please note that we will register your child in the grade they most recently completed.

Our 2021 summer fees are as follows:

- Kindergarten: \$848.00 per month
- School age: \$212.00 per week

We thank everyone for your interest and looking forward to a continued partnership with Sir Adam Beck and your family.