

Sir Samuel B. Steele Junior Public School

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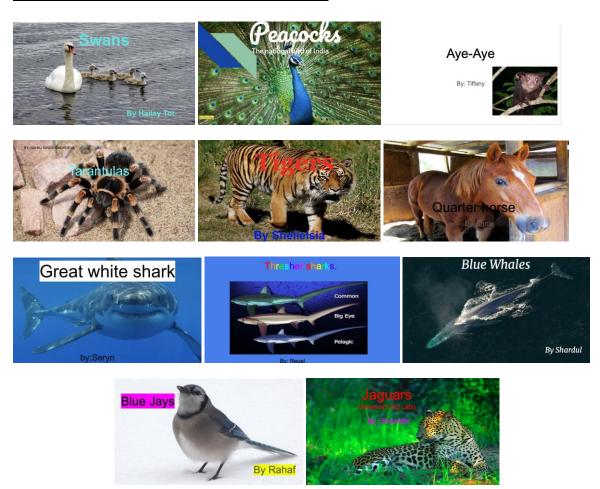
Friday, June 4, 2021

Good afternoon Sir Samuel B. Steele Families!

Hope you and your family are keeping well and staying safe.

Please see below for our updates:

News from Mrs. Weiss' and Mrs. Tanaka's Class



The grade ones and twos in Mrs. Weiss' and Mrs. Tanaka's class have been working very hard to research an animal of their choice using Pebblego and Kiddle. Students read various stories, took dot jot notes, wrote sentences and then created a Google Slideshow presentation about their animal. The slideshows were incredible! The students were very proud to have Mrs. Kumar join our classes to listen to their presentations. – Mrs. Weiss and Mrs. Tanaka

June School Council Meeting

We will be having our next School Council Meeting on Monday, June 7th at 5:30 pm. Please see the attached file for the flyer and the agenda.

Virtual Art Showcase

It is that time of year again when our wonderful artists at Sam Steele showcase their masterpieces! Throughout the school year our students have been developing their own creative and personal art style through learning about the elements of art and being inspired by different artists from around the world. Although this year has been challenging, our artists have stepped up and created beautiful art both in school and online. We are excited to invite you to our annual art showcase. Please see the attached file for the flyer.

Welcome to Kindergarten Virtual Evening

We will be having a virtual Welcome to Kindergarten evening on Thursday, June 17th at 4:30 pm to share information about our Kindergarten program and to get to know new JK students, who will be joining our school in September. Please see the attached file for the flyer.

Grade 6 Farewell Virtual Ceremony

As we welcome our new JK students, we will also be bidding farewell to our grade 6 students. We will be having a virtual Grade 6 Farewell Ceremony on Thursday, June 24th at 4:30 pm. Planning is under way in connecting with our virtual school students and families to make this evening a memorable one for all our grade 6 students. More details about the evening will be shared in the upcoming weeks.

National Indigenous History Month

During the month of June, the TDSB honours National Indigenous History Month in recognition of the rights, histories, and extraordinary achievements of Indigenous people. Without truth there can be no reconciliation!

Pride Month

June is Pride Month 2021 at the TDSB! It's an opportunity to celebrate diversity and raise awareness among all staff, students and families about the rich culture and history of our 2SLGBTQ+ community. Please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/pride to learn more about these activities and find out how you can get involved.

Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month

Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month is proudly recognized during the month of June at the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) for the past 10 years since 2011. This year our theme is Esperanca! / Hope! The attached poster was created to reflect this theme. The contributions of the Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Community to Canada are significant as they include arts, sports, music, culinary arts, and many professional contributions to educational and medical service areas. Canadians, along with all TDSB students, staff, and its communities and beyond all enjoy the energetic and vibrant traditions that are shared through the customs of this heritage. Over 1,400 TDSB students speak Portuguese as their mother tongue or as a primary language. Internationally, there are 250 million Portuguese-speaking people worldwide, making it the fifthmost spoken language. Please join our Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month virtual launch to celebrate the culture and tradition that this heritage brings.

Join us for an extraordinary hour filled with prominent guests, information and celebration on Thursday, June 10 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm LIVE STREAM. Here is the

URL: https://www.tdsb.on.ca/stream/LiveWebcast-PortugueseHeritageMonth.html

Italian Heritage Month

Italian Heritage Month is recognized proudly during the month of June at the TDSB. We are planning many exciting initiatives throughout the month of June to highlight out theme of Made in Italy. One of the activities to recognize this heritage is a poster challenge that all TDSB students from Kindergarten to Grade 12 are invited to participate in. The theme for this year's poster challenge is Made in Italy. Please see the attached document for full details.

Planning for Next School Year

It's hard to believe that we are nearing the end of this school year and are beginning to plan for next year! As we begin to engage in planning, it would be helpful for us to be aware of our families, who may be moving to a new location. If your children will not be attending our school next year, please email our office administrator Lori Humber at Lori.Humber@tdsb.on.ca.

<u>Elementary Summer School 2021 – Registration Now Open!</u>

The focus of the Elementary Summer School Program is to support student learning and engagement through the month of July. Programs, embedded in Literacy and Numeracy, are developed by the local summer school principal to reflect the local school focus. Thirty-eight programs are offered to students in Kindergarten to Grade 8, from July 5 – 30, 2021 through virtual instruction.

Registration is now open! <u>Click here</u> for a full list of participating schools and registration information.

Have a great weekend \bigcirc



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