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Sir William Osler High School Soaring Eagle Update

21 March 2025

Dear Osler Community,

We were all thrilled to welcome students back from March Break! We love hearing about their activities and seeing how happy they are to be back at Osler.

Applications for summer school for students in our DD program are now open – please see the next page for details. Please note that Osler is not a location for summer programming this year, but Osler students who receive a space in the program will be placed at another location.

Congratulations to all of our badminton players for their excellent tournament on Thursday this week! Our Best Buddies are looking forward to visiting the aquarium on Tuesday, and Wednesday is Purple Day – please see the next page for details.

Semester 2 IEPs will be sent home electronically soon. If you have any questions about your child's IEP, please reach out to their teacher.

We wish you a great weekend!

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Monday	Tuesday		Vednesday	Thursday	Friday
Mar 24	Mar 25		Mar 26	Mar 27	Mar 28
Student of the Month	Best Buddies Trip	•	epsy Awareness Purple Day)	Variety Village Track Meet	
Mar 31	Apr 1	Apr 2		Apr 3	Apr 4
		ASD Awareness Day Special Olympics Floorball		1pm Dismissal	7
				Family-Staff	
				Interviews 5-8pm	
Monday, April 7th: 1pm Dismissal (Staff Meeting/PLC)			Thursday, April 1	0 th : Tier 1 Badminton	
Wednesday, April 9th: International Day of Pink			Friday, April 11 th : Term 3 ends		

Calendar dates may change due to unforeseen circumstances, please see website for up-to-date events.

Special Education and Inclusion Summer School 2025

The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) will once again offer summer school programs from July 2nd to 25th for students currently enrolled in the Developmental Disability, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Physical Disabilities Intensive Support Programs (ISPs). Please see this <u>information flyer</u> for details.

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Secondary DD Application

Various Locations across the TDSB

(Please note that Osler is not a summer school location for summer programs this year)

Applications must be submitted by Friday, April 25, 2025.

Epilepsy Awareness



March is all about spreading awareness and education to help end the stigma and misconceptions surrounding epilepsy. Spread awareness and support by wearing **Purple on Purple Day: March 26, 2025**. Purple Day is an international grassroots effort dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy worldwide. We invite everyone to wear purple on March 26th to help spread awareness of epilepsy!

Early Dismissal (1:00 pm)

Thursday, April 3rd is a 1:00pm Early Dismissal day for Family-Staff Interviews and Agency Fair.

Family/Staff Interviews: Thursday, April 3rd

On April 3rd, we will once again be hosting Family/Staff Interviews from 5pm to 8pm. We will follow a 1pm Dismissal schedule on this day.

The following agencies will be on hand to speak with families:

- Ontario Disability Support Program https://www.ontario.ca/page/ontario-disability-support-program
- Developmental Services Ontario https://www.dsontario.ca/
- The Wellspring Centre https://www.thespring.ca/
- Post 21 https://post21.ca/
- Cherish Integrated Services https://cherishis.org/
- Community Access Learning Centre http://www.calcentre.ca/
- Corbrook https://corbrook.com/
- Moeen Centre https://moeencentre.org/
- Learning Disabilities Association https://www.ldatd.on.ca/
- Sunflower Developmental Services https://www.sunflowerrcs.com/
- Community Living Toronto https://cltoronto.ca/
- Mary Centre https://www.marycentre.com/
- Believe Support Services https://www.believesupportservices.com/
- TDSB OT/PT and Speech/Language

Beta and Gamma 10 teachers will be in the cafeteria and meetings will be on a first come-first served basis. Gamma 1-9 teachers will be in classrooms and families can reach out to their child's teachers to make an appointment; drop-in meetings will also be accommodated. Lists and maps will be posted.

Life After High School Toolkit

The <u>TDSB Beyond High School Toolkit</u> includes specialized resources for families supporting children with Physical Disabilities (PD) and Developmental Disabilities (DD) as they transition beyond high school. It provides guidance on post-secondary education, employment opportunities, community programs, financial planning, and supported living options. The toolkit helps families navigate essential services, access funding supports, and explore individualized pathways to ensure a smooth and meaningful transition into adulthood.

Let's Talk About Adulthood Transition (Part 2)

Join Us to Continue The Conversation About How to Support Your Young Adult as They Transition from TDSB To the Broader Community. Get Valuable Information on Community Day Programs, Life Skills Programs, Employment Readiness Programs, and Post-Secondary Options That Will Help Your Young Adult's Transition. Plus, Connect with Other TDSB Parents Dedicated to Supporting Children and Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities and/or Complex Needs.

Presenters: Luso Community Services, Sunflower Developmental Services, JVS Toronto, Cherish Integrated Services, Jake's House, Post 21 Foundation, and Humber College.

When: Monday, March 24th, 2025, from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon and the same information will be repeated on Monday, March 31st, 2025, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

THIS IS A ZOOM MEETING

JOIN ON YOUR COMPUTER OR MOBILE PHONE APP.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING or use the link below.

https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/94015815609?pwd=zvXKxODRuh6GCza1hVFlNtdGaxj1UQ.1

Meeting ID: 940 1581 5609

Passcode: 445164

Phone In: +16475580588 Or +16473744685 – Canada

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For more information send email to virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca

Or call Larena Case at 416-570-3314 or Vanessa Wong at 647-229-0730.

Social Media Safety Night for Parents

March 26, 2025, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM at Malvern Family Resource Centre – 90 Littles Road, Scarborough. Toronto Police Services (Child Exploitation Unit/Internet Child Exploitation) will be presenting. As well we will have a panel of specialists including TDSB Social Work, Youth Outreach Workers (YOW) and guests.

This evening will include:

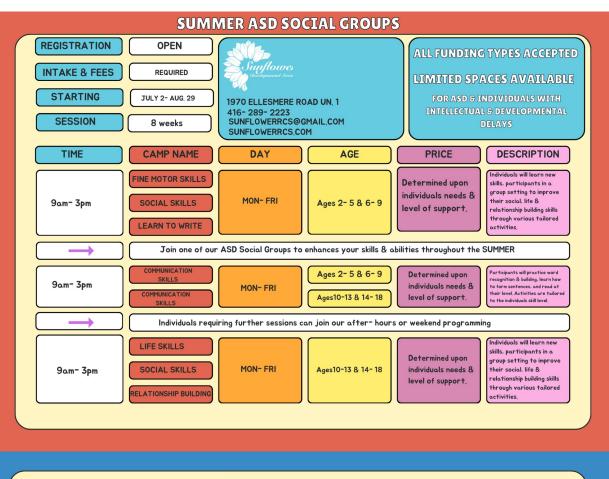
- Practical strategies for navigating social media risks
- Open discussion on online safety
- Take-home resources and giveaways
- Food and childcare

See the attached flyer for details.

Upcoming Program Offerings from Sunflower Developmental Services

Please note that these programs are operated by organization(s) outside of the TDSB. These organizations are solely responsible for the operation and information found on their sites. Providing these resources does not

imply any endorsement of the organization or information. Any comments or inquiries regarding the linked websites should be directed to the organization.







Ongoing Health and Safety Information

COVID Self Screening

The Toronto Public Health COVID Screening tool <u>can be found here</u>. Students are reminded to self-screen for symptoms and stay home if they feel ill. We are following Provincial and Public Health guidance. If students are absent, they should contact their teacher to find out about missed work.

COVID-19 Health and Safety Measures and Practices

Over the past 3+ years, TDSB staff and students have been diligent in following the health and safety directions provided by the Ministry of Education and Toronto Public Health to manage COVID-19 and keep our schools and sites as safe as possible. We continue to follow the Ministry of Education guidance for this new school year. We continue to take our health and safety direction from the Ministry and Toronto Public Health, and it is important to note that this is the current information and can change based on a change of guidance.

Screening – Students and staff should continue to do a daily self-assessment before entering school or Board buildings and stay home if they are sick.

Masks – The TDSB continues to be a mask-friendly environment inclusive of all staff and students. While the Ministry of Education and public health officials are not mandating the use of masks, Toronto Public Health strongly recommends wearing a well-fitting, high-quality mask, especially in indoor public settings. The TDSB will continue to provide medical masks for staff and students who request them.

Vaccines – The TDSB will continue to work closely with Toronto Public Health to support their vaccination efforts for COVID-19 and other illnesses. School-based clinics may continue to operate to support local communities and we will share any information with our community about possible clinics at Osler.

Cohorting – Cohorting classes is no longer required for health and safety reasons.

Ventilation – More than 16,000 institutional-grade HEPA filters are in the TDSB with at least one in every occupied classroom. Caretakers will continue to increase ventilation in schools and classrooms with mechanical systems by adjusting the air exchanges and running them before and after class as well as increase natural ventilation by opening windows for short periods of time.

Enhanced Cleaning – Caretaking staff will continue to perform routine cleaning of general facilities throughout the day and enhanced cleaning of high touch surfaces such as light switches, handrails, door handles, etc.