

Sir William Osler High School

Soaring Eagle Update

11 April 2025

Dear Osler Community,

We have had another great week at Osler! It was great to see so many staff and students participate in the International Day of Pink on Wednesday, and we also loved seeing everyone's Disney attire for Friday's spirit day. Next week, we have theme days planned for Autism Acceptance Week – please see the next page for details!

Please note that we have the Good Friday and Easter Monday holidays coming up on April 18th and 21st. There will be no school on these days.

There are several events coming up at the start of May that are of interest to Osler families, including the Eco Fair, The Developmental Disabilities Resource Fair, and the Toronto Police Games. Please see the pages of this update for more details on these opportunities.

We are always available if you have any questions or concerns. We wish you a great weekend!

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16	Apr 17	Apr 18
Term 4 begins	Autism Acceptance Week (see next page for details)			Good Friday holiday (no school)
		Swim Program		
Apr 21	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24	Apr 25
Easter Monday holiday (no school)	Earth Day/Osler Clean-up	Swim Program	Boys Basketball Fest	
Saturday, May 3 rd : Trustee Manna Wong hosts Eco Fair @ L'Amoreaux CI			Monday, May 5 th : Red Dress Day / National Day of Awareness for Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and 2SLGBTQI+ people	
Saturday, May 3 rd : TDSB Developmental Disabilities Resource Fair @ John Polanyi CI				

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

The Soaring Eagle Updates are all archived on our Osler school site:

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/sirwilliamosler>

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 [information flyer](#) for details.

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Visit our [summer school website](#) for more information.

[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.

Osler School Council Virtual Workshop Presentation: Tuesday, April 29 from 7:00-9:00pm

The Osler School Council is presenting an important virtual workshop on Wellness Coaching to support mental health for our families and children. Please see the attached flyer, and register using the link:

<https://forms.gle/UGxmVgLW4cdLFycX7>

Autism Acceptance Week

April is Autism Acceptance Month!

Osler is planning a special week of Autism Acceptance Spirit Activities, beginning on Monday, April 14th:

- **Monday, April 14th – Magnificent Mind Monday:** Autism is a neurological variation, which means the brains of people with autism work differently, and that's amazing! Celebrate how amazing it is that all our minds work in different, wonderful ways by wearing a fun hat!
- **Tuesday, April 15th – Neurodiversity Tuesday:** To celebrate the beauty in the diverse spectrum of the human mind, wear rainbow and/or tie-dyed clothes to school!
- **Wednesday, April 16th – What's Your Passion Wednesday:** One characteristic of autism is to show incredibly focused passion for topics of interest. What are you passionate about? Dress to show something you love!
- **Thursday, April 17th – Sensory Friendly Friday:** Autistic people can have a variety of sensory sensitivities. Dress up today in your most comfy clothes (including pajamas!) and/or wear sunglasses!

We look forward to celebrating autism acceptance and neurodiversity with everyone!

Statutory Holidays

Friday, April 18 and Monday April 21 are statutory holidays for Good Friday and Easter Monday. There will be no classes held.

Future Planning for Children/Youth/Young Adults with Developmental Disabilities

As you work to create meaningful goals for your child, it's important to consider resources that will support their growth and well-being. Learn how to set goals and access essential resources to support their financial future, foster independence, and ensure successful integration into the community, helping them live fulfilling lives.

Speakers: Community Living Toronto – Person Directed Planning (PDP), Holland Bloorview, Partners For Planning (P4P), Family Services Toronto, and Dream Serenade (please see [Flyer](#) for details)

When: Monday, April 14th, 2024, from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon
and the same information will be repeated on
Monday, April 28th, 2024, 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=ZvXKxODRuh6GCza1hVFINDGaxj1UQ.1>

Meeting ID: 940 1581 5609

Passcode: 445164

Phone In: +16475580588 Or +16473744685 – Canada

[DOWNLOAD ZOOM](#)

Ward 20 EcoSchool Fair: Mark Your Calendars!

Please see the attached flyer for the Ward 20 EcoSchool Fair on Saturday, May 3rd. The event is organized by Trustee Manna Wong and will be held at L'Amoreaux CI – and Osler students will be participating! Admission is free, and we hope to see you there!

TDSB Developmental Disabilities Resource Fair

The TDSB Social Work Team will be hosting the inaugural in-person **Navigation Supports: TDSB Developmental Disabilities Resource Fair**.

Date: Saturday, May 3, 2025

Time: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Location: John Polanyi Collegiate Institute

Address: 640 Lawrence Ave W, North York, ON M6A 1B1

This event is designed for TDSB parents, caregivers, and their children and youth with developmental disabilities. It offers a welcoming space to explore available supports, connect with others, and engage in meaningful conversations about meeting their unique needs.

Highlights of the Event Include:

- Information from 30+ developmental sector agencies about services, funding, camps, and more
- Guest speakers from Developmental Services Ontario (DSO), Community Living Toronto (CLT), and Surrey Place
- Opportunities to connect with other parents, caregivers, and families
- Food, giveaways, and family-friendly activities
- Child-minding available upon request
- Drop-in anytime between 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- Free parking on site

Please see the attached flyer- registration for the event is here: [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#).

Please register by April 25, 2025 Additionally, please note: Walk-in's are also **WELCOME!**

For more information, email: virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca

TORONTO POLICE GAMES: Saturday, May 10, 2025, at Variety Village

Join us on Saturday, May 10, 2025, for the 41st annual Toronto Police Games at Variety Village!

Children/ youth of all abilities, their siblings, community programs, classes and schools are invited to register for a fun, free day of inclusive games, sports, and activities.

Registration includes free access to team participation, a t-shirt, Barbecue lunch and a medal!

Sign up early and before May 2, 2025 as space fills quickly!

Please see the attached flyer and registration form for additional information and to sign up.

School Safety

The safety of all students and staff at Sir William Osler H.S. is our primary concern. Our community respects all of our students, their privacy and their vulnerabilities. To ensure our school community remains safe for all, we would like to remind families that students are to be dropped off or picked up in the office, where they will be escorted to class by a staff member. During school hours, we ask that Parents/Guardians/Caregivers do not go through the school halls, unless accompanied by a staff member. Thank you for your understanding regarding this important school safety matter.

The nice weather is coming. As some of our students are not aware of dangers around traffic, we also would like to remind our community that the speed limit in the school parking lots is 10 km/h.

Together we can keep our students safe.



Community Consultations

The TDSB aims to be responsive to the voices of communities by developing tailored action plans, each based on the pillars of the [Anti Hate and Anti Racism Strategy](#). This Spring, TDSB students, families and community members who self-identify as part of the Asian diaspora are invited to attend a community consultation to support a multi-dimensional strategy that affirms diverse and intersectional Asian identities and addresses anti-Asian racism within the TDSB. [Learn more](#).

Dates: April 15 - May 20, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM

Audience: TDSB Students, Caregivers and Community

COVID Self Screening

The Toronto Public Health COVID Screening tool [can be found here](#). 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.