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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This is our first newsletter during the Learning from Home period of the school year! Even though life has changed dramatically over the past three weeks, we are looking forward to trying to create as "normal" an environment for our students moving forward.

We are pleased to share our Longboat Leader award winners for the month of March. The character trait that we were focusing on was honesty. All of our winners will receive their actual certificates when we return to school, and will get their group photos taken at that time. In April, the character trait that we are focusing on is **co-operation**. That seems very appropriate as we as a school community and society need to co-operate together in order to navigate through these challenging times.

We are also excited to announce more school spirit days over the month of April! We want our students to feel connected, and what better way than having a common theme to focus on for a day? We will continue with our Tom Longboat spirit wear on Fridays (Thursday this week because of the long weekend). Students are invited to wear their Tom Longboat t-shirts or sweatshirts, or our school colours of green, white and black. Our other spirit days are listed in full in the newsletter. Let's keep the Longboat spirit up!

Ms. Russell and Ms. Gountas have also created a **Tom Longboat Office Google Classroom** for all of our students to join. We wanted students to continue to feel connected to us, as the office is the heart of our school. We will post messages and reminders about upcoming events in the Office classroom for students to see. Please feel free to log on with your children and send us messages too. We would love to hear from you!

As always, if you have any questions about your child's progress in school, or particularly their learning in this new on-line environment, please feel free to contact your child's teacher at any time. We are all here during regular working hours, and are happy to connect with you. We may not have an answer to a particular question right away, but we will certainly find out and get back to you as soon as possible. We are all learning together in this situation, and we are grateful for your continued support and understanding.

I will remain in contact with families throughout the next few weeks, and will send out information updates as needed. Please continue to stay safe and practice social distancing.

Sincerely,
Andrea Chisholm
Principal

TDSB CELEBRATES!



April is...

Genocide Awareness Month

Latin American History

For more information, please go to www.tdsb.on.ca

LOOK AT OUR LONGBOAT LEADERS...

CHARACTER TRAIT FOR MARCH - HONESTY

Student	Teacher	Class
Isaiah	Ms Shnayderman	K1
Racina	Ms Shnayderman	K1
Joeff	Ms Yung	K2
Stephanie	Ms Yung	K2
Sharyse	Mr Maskerine	1/2A
Antwon	Mr Maskerine	1/2A
Rayan	Ms Chui	1/2B
Chantelle	Ms Chui	1/2B
Annanya	Mr Mark	1/2C
Zayan	Mr Mark	1/2C
Isaiah	Ms Stephen	2/3.
Sahl	Ms Stephen	2/3.
Keshaun	Ms Bonnell	3
Ivan	Ms Bonnell	3
Dylan	Ms Tessler	4/5.
Nathaniah	Ms Williams	5/6A
Bijino	Ms Williams	5/6A
Shanujah	Ms Williams	5/6A
Madina	Mr Birta & Ms Riding	5/6B
Emnet	Mr Birta & Ms Riding	5/6B

SPIRIT DAYS

Let's keep the Tom Longboat Spirit going. Upload your photo to the google classroom!

April 9	Tom Longboat School Spirit Wear Day
April 15	Stuffed Animal Day
April 17	Tom Longboat School Spirit Wear Day
April 22	Crazy Hair Day
April 24	Tom Longboat School Spirit Wear Day
April 29	PJ Day
May 1	Tom Longboat School Spirit Wear Day

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

**Was your child born in 2016?
Register for Junior Kindergarten TODAY!**

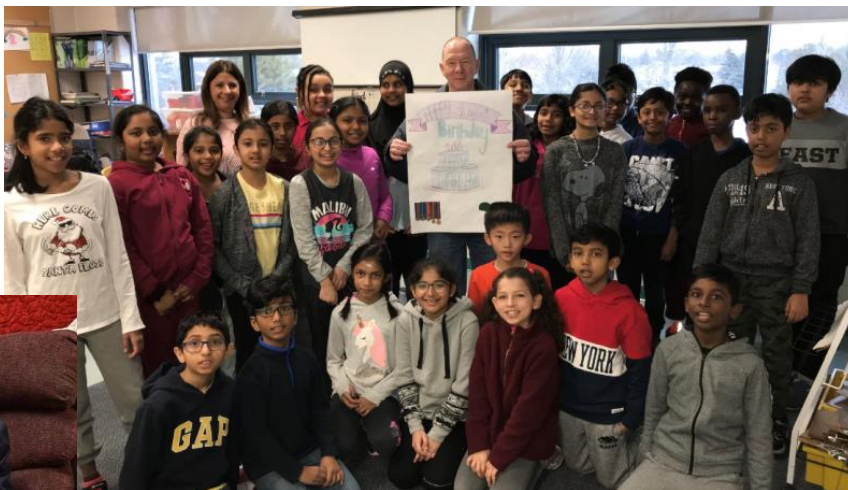
- Online Registration
 - <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/KindergartenMonth>

Once the online registration is completed we will call you to come in with your verification documents. School commences Tuesday, September 8, 2020.



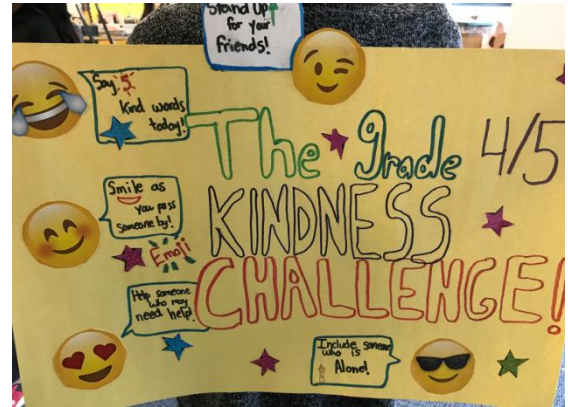
WWII VETERAN CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY

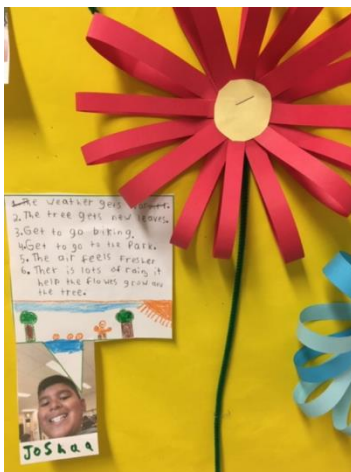
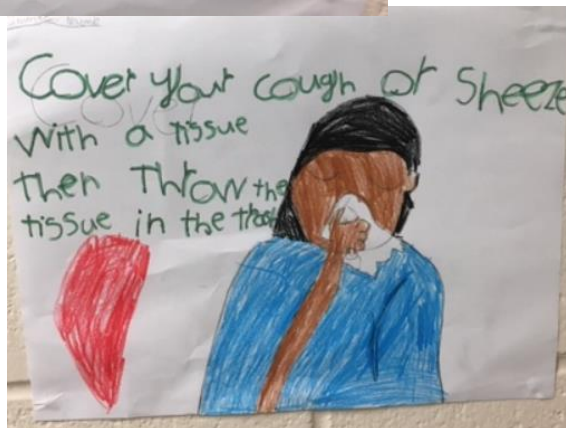
On March 6, 2020 Fred Arsenault, a World War 2 Veteran turned 100. Mr Arsenault's son works for the TDSB and visits our school every day. In celebration, students at Tom Longboat prepared a birthday card and had students sign the card. A presentation of the card was made to Mr Arsenault's son who passed it along on the day of his birthday celebration. Thank you to Ms Tessler's class for preparing the birthday wishes and presentation.



MARCH SPIRIT DAYS!







DEVICE & INTERNET AVAILABILITY FORM

(Previously emailed to Parents/Guardians April 2020 from TDSB)

To help students stay connected and to support remote learning, the TDSB is lending internet-enabled devices to families who do not have access to devices. As a result, we need some additional information from our families.

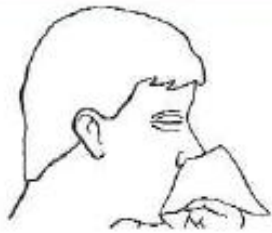
We would kindly ask that you click the link below and fill out the following form as soon as possible:

Device and Internet Availability Form

Once again, we thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. We are working to provide additional information and next steps in the coming days.

Thank you.

Cover Your Cough



1. Cover your mouth and nose when you cough, sneeze or blow your nose.



2. Put used tissue in the garbage.



3. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your sleeve, not in your hands.



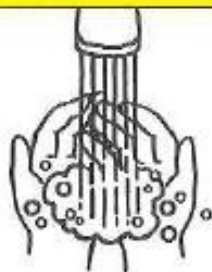
4. Clean your hands with soap and water or hand sanitizer (minimum 70% alcohol-based).

Stop the Spread of Germs

Always Cover Your Cough

- Covering your cough or sneeze can stop the spread of germs
- If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your sleeve
- Keep your distance (more than 2 metres/6 feet) from people who are coughing or sneezing

Hand Washing



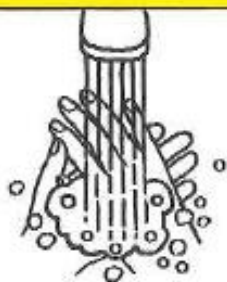
1. Wet hands.



2. Apply soap.



3. Lather for 15 seconds.
Rub between fingers,
back of hands,
fingertips, under nails.



4. Rinse well under
running water.



5. Dry hands well with
paper towel or hot air
blower.



6. Turn taps off with
paper towel, if
available.

Stop the Spread of Germs

Always Wash Your Hands

After you:

- Sneeze, cough or blow your nose
- Use the washroom or change diapers
- Handle garbage
- Play outdoors

Before and after you:

- Prepare or eat food
- Touch a cut or open sore