



# Valleyfield Newsletter

May 2019

## From the Principal's Desk

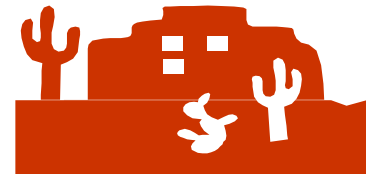
Dear Parents and Guardians,

May is here and before you know it, it will be June! We had many wonderful activities during the month of April: Part 2 of the parent workshop, "Kids Have Stress Too"; Scientists in the School; classes going to the Etobicoke Field Studies Center and Crawford Lake; Chef L'Ecole for Junior students; TDSB Creates in 2 Junior classes; Dairy Presentations and our Math Night for parents. Most recently, a Newcomers Club was started where students new to the country can do activities to get to know their community better.

The month of May will be another exciting month! Please check out the calendar for the school as well as for your child's class so that you don't miss anything.

Sincerely,

B. Dixon  
Principal  
Valleyfield Jr School



### Important Dates:

May 9	Grad photo
May 10	Ramadan celebration
May 14	French Immersion Orientation
May 16	Parent Council Meeting
May 17	Pizza Day
May 20	Victoria Day
May 21 - June 3	EQAO
May 23	Grad trip
May 30	Character Assembly

## EQAO

EQAO for grades 3 and 6 will take place between **May 21<sup>st</sup> and June 3<sup>rd</sup>**. It is very important that your child(ren) is at school during this time. Kindly book appointments before or after this time frame. If you have any questions about this assessment, please feel free to contact your child's teacher for further details.

### Twitter

Please check out happenings at Valleyfield at our Twitter address - @ValleyfieldJS.

## Welcome to Kindergarten Night

This event will take place on Thursday May 2nd at 5pm for all students that will be starting Junior Kindergarten in September 2019. If you have not yet registered your child for Junior Kindergarten, there is still time. Please call the office for clarification on what steps you will need to take.

## Picking up your children

If you don't want your child to go home on the bus because you plan to pick them up, please call the office by 2:30pm. This will help to avoid your child getting on the bus with no one to meet them at the stop.

When you come to the school to pick up your child, please go to the office and the Office Administrator will arrange for your child to come to the office to meet you. It also helps if you put a note in the planner so that the teacher will have your child ready.

### Moving Over The Summer

Please let the office know if you will be moving over the summer.

This will help as we will be doing our school organization for the 2019-2020 school year.



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## Mme. Bruce Grade 5 French Imm.

Bonjour tout le monde,

In Room 107, the Grade 5 French Immersion students are fortunate to have an artist come in and work with us on the theme of Truth, la vérité.

Miss Elena is helping us reflect on our own truth. So far, we have traced, cut out and painted full-size silhouettes of each one of us. This is done complementing discussions on Truth. The artist will be in our classroom another 4 times. This is a very exciting programme from the Board: TDSB Creates.

With our knitting projects, we now have most of the first 5 projects done (a square, a cup holder with a button, 2 headbands & a money pouch). Some students have almost completed their 6th project, a scarf! Please drop in and see the beautiful art work your children have knitted so far. It is impressive!

In French, we continue to work weekly on the Dictée package (Spelling document). Students need to read, collect the new vocabulary, answer questions in full sentences and do the activities related to the text. We continue to do weekly entries in our Cahier d'écrivain. Students are now being asked to rewrite on the left side of the page a short paragraph after taking note of the feedback received.


In Math, we have discovered the world of prisms. Always a great hands-on unit!

Students are constantly encouraged to use their Cahier de grammaire, a dictionary and their Cahier de mathématiques to complete any task.

Thank you for your continued support. I continue to thank you for signing the agenda everyday and for supporting the French Immersion programme your children are in. Remember, you can always contact me via the Agenda should you have any questions.

# News From Valleyfield's Green Team

This newsletter is about a waste-free lunch. It costs less and it helps the environment. Instead of bringing wrappers and tin foil you can bring reusable containers! Also bring healthy snacks instead of chips, chocolate and candy. Some healthy snacks are vegetables and fruits, which can be put in the compost and turned into something useful.



## Recipe for a Waste-free Lunch

Not only is a waste-free lunch better for the environment, it can save you money as well.  
When packing a lunch for or with your child, consider the following ideas.

**Here are some packing tips to MUNCH on**

Yes Please	No Thank You
REUSABLE lunch carrier	AVOID paper or plastic bags
REUSABLE container	AVOID plastic wrap, foil, or Styrofoam <sup>®</sup>
REUSABLE drink bottle or thermos	AVOID single-use cans, bottles, or cartons
CLOTH NAPKIN to wash and re-use	AVOID paper napkins
CUTLERY to wash and re-use	AVOID plastic forks/spoons
HEALTHY snacks!	AVOID over-packaged snacks

**Why pack a waste-free lunch?**

- It's waste-free
- It costs less
- It's healthier


**Food for thought**

The average student lunch generates 30 kg of waste per school year. That adds, on average, about 8500 kg of waste per school, per year!!!

**Here are some costs to MUNCH on**

Waste-free lunch	Regular lunch
\$2.65/an average day	\$4.02/an average day
\$13.25/week	\$20.10/week
\$477.00/school year	\$723.60/school year

Care for your child and care for the Earth!



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You can also bring reusable water bottles instead of plastic ones.

Also, use cloth napkins instead of paper napkins to help the environment. Please bring metal or reusable eating materials instead of plastic forks or plastic spoons. Bring reusable items such as plastic containers and metal water bottles. Do not throw your garbage in the school's bin and take it home. Only throw the school's garbage into the school's bins. It's healthier for the environment and will keep the earth clean.



-Tiffany and Laveena from the Green Team



## Coming soon



### The Wizard of Oz!

June 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm - 8:00pm