

Wedgewood **WORD**

School Site: <http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/wedgewoodjs>

May 2017

Principal's Message

It is May and our Parent Council (WFSA) is making preparations for our annual Funfest. We are looking for volunteers to spend some time at the various activities/stations. We are also asking for donations of water and juice. Stay tuned for an email blast with a link for volunteer sign-up.

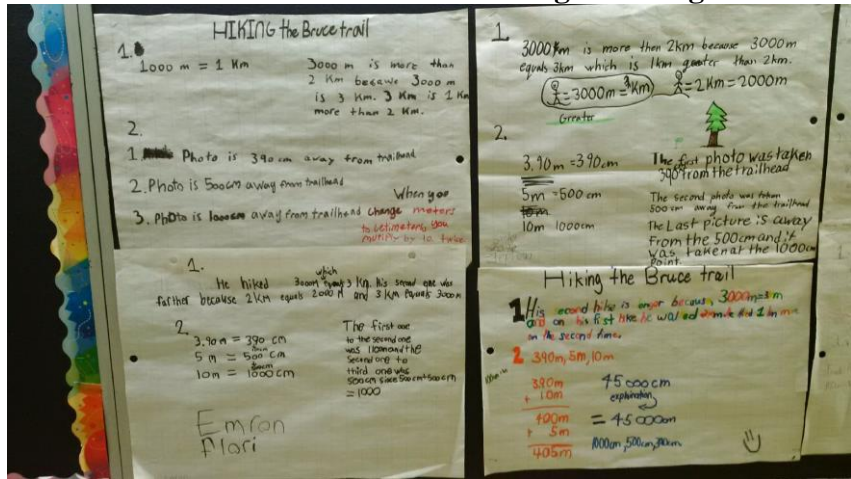
Our Grade 4 and 5 students are back outside helping our younger children with cooperative games and activities through the PALS program run by Mrs. Moreira, Mrs. Derezycky and Mrs. Rotondi. The program runs twice a week at lunch recess and the grade 1 and 2 students love the activities and having older mentors.

Pizza Nova has visited several classrooms, teaching students about how the dough is made and what the entire pizza making process is like. After the workshop, the students all received a free piece of pizza. We thank Pizza Nova for their time and for the pizza!

It is extremely important that children have an outdoor and indoor pair of shoes throughout the month of May. Mud and debris is brought into the school and classrooms and causes added work for Mr. Currie and Mr. Lima.

Thank you for your support.

Grade 5 3-Part Math Lesson – Making Thinking Visible



Covenant House Fundraiser by Sophie and Anja Room 19



Covenant House is a shelter for homeless youth. We organized a fundraiser for Covenant House between April 3rd and April 14th, and raised over \$300! That means we can help over 30 children! We are very happy for the money we raised and want to thank you all for your support!

Grade 4 Trip to the ROM by Ashanti and Georgia Room 19

On Thursday, April 20th all the Grade 4's had a field trip to the ROM (Royal Ontario Museum). We learned about ancient and medieval times at the ROM. There were a lot of ancient and medieval artifacts. There were even REAL mummies in the Egyptian section. We got to touch some artifacts and wrote about the artifact we chose. After that, the Grade 4's got into groups and got to explore the museum. We saw animals, dinosaur skeletons, crystals, rocks, statues, weapons, insects, art, toys and jewellery. We also went into the bat cave. All the Grade 4's had a great time at the ROM! We hope we can visit there again!



Earth Day by Gabby and Sarah Room 18

On Friday April 21st it was Earth Day for Wedgewood J.S. but the real Earth Day was Saturday April 22nd. All of the primary and junior classrooms had a spot in the school yard to clean up. Surprisingly, there was a lot of garbage in the "Green Park" yard even though the city had just cleaned up the day before. We found wrappers, bottle caps, plastic bags, glass, bottles and cigarette butts. We did clean up a lot of the garbage in the yard and we had a good time doing it because we knew it was helping our Earth. Everyone needs to remember that all garbage should go in the garbage cans and not on the ground!

Scientist in the Schools by Isabella and Nevena Room 9

On April 10, we had Scientist in the Schools come to Room 9. There was a Scientist named Kathleen. I thought Kathleen's station was the most fun because we got to see and touch worms. There were many more stations, we got to use test tubes and we made a soil profile. We were talking about how important soil is for growing fruit. I learned chocolate is made from cocoa beans that grow on trees and cocoa beans are a type of fruit. We had a fun day! (Isabella)

My favourite centre was the worm centre. I enjoyed the worm centre because we got to see worms dig in the soil. At one of the centres we learned more about silt, sand and clay. Silt, sand, and clay are things in soil. Scientist Kathleen told us about our earth not having much land left for farming. We had an awesome morning!!!!!!!!!!!!!! (Nevena)

Healthy Hikes – May 2nd – October 31st

Healthy Hikes is an annual health and wellness initiative of Conservation Ontario. Each year, families in Ontario are encouraged to boost their health by stepping into nature at any one of Ontario's Conservation Areas from May to October. Visit the events calendar at <http://healthyhikes.ca/events-calendar> to join a guided nature walk in one of our local Conservation Areas.

Important Dates

May 4:

Pizza Lunch

May 10:

Home Alone Program 6 – 8 pm

May 10:

Track and Field – West Qualifiers

May 11:

Welcome to Kindergarten 5:30 – 6:45

May 12:

Jump Rope For Heart Play Day 12:30 pm

May 17:

Kindergarten PLC am; Grade 3 PLC pm

May 17:

Boys Soccer @ Hollycrest

May 18:

Girls Soccer Tournament @ St. Georges

May 19:

Boys soccer rain date

May 22:

Victoria Day – No School

May 24 – 26:

Grade 5's to Camp Tamarak

May 25, 26, 29-31 & June 1: EQAO (for Grade 3's)

May 27:

WFSA FunFest

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