



Westmount Weekly

June 1 – June 5, 2026



Dear Westmount Families,

Welcome to June! As the final month of the school year begins, we are getting set to wrap up an incredible year of learning and growth. Needless to say, it is going to be a very busy and exciting few weeks here at Westmount.

Kindergarten Fire Truck Visit! 🚒

Our Kindergarten students experienced pure joy this past week with a special visit from a local fire truck! It was a wonderful hands-on learning experience, and we extend a big thank you to our local firefighters for spending time with our youngest learners.

Library Book Return

As we wind down the year, we need your help retrieving our school resources. Please help your children hunt for any **Westmount Library books** at home and return them to the school this week.

Celebrating Our Community

Italian & Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Month

June is officially observed as **Italian Heritage Month** and **Portuguese-speaking Heritage Month** at the TDSB. We are incredibly proud of our diverse community and invite you to share your heritage with us! We have dedicated our foyer space and display case for cultural items, photos, or stories. If you have items you would like to share, please talk to me.

Academics & Achievements

EQAO Catch-Up Sessions

The majority of our Grade 3 students have successfully finished writing their EQAO tests—congratulations to them for their hard work! This week, we will host catch-up sessions for students who were away during the initial testing window due to unforeseen circumstances or Eid celebrations.

School Advisory Council (SAC) Updates

- **Last Freezie Day:** Beat the heat this Thursday with the final Freezie Day of the year! Please note there is no school on Friday, June 5th due to the PA Day. For more details on staff formatting, please review the attached PA day information flyer.
- **Westmount Family Picnic (June 10th):** Join us after school from **3:30 PM – 6:00 PM** under the trees near the school's pollinator garden! We are planning some fun, old-school games for families. For more information, check June 10 Family Picnic Flyer .pdf
 - **Food:** Pizza will be available for purchase ahead of time via School Cash Online.
 - **What to bring:** Feel free to bring your own snacks, games, and a blanket or lawn chairs. We can't wait to see you there!

Community Health Update: Head Lice Awareness

We have received information from our Public Health Nurse that cases of head lice (pediculosis) have recently been identified in the broader community. Head lice are very common among school-aged children, are **not** a sign of poor hygiene, and do **not** spread disease.

To help keep our classrooms comfortable and healthy, we ask all families to:

1. **Check** your child's hair weekly for live lice or nits (eggs).
2. **Treat** your child promptly if lice are discovered.
3. **Notify** the classroom teacher and school administration so we can take necessary action.

New Option for Families: Under Ontario's expanded scope of practice, local pharmacists can now fully assess, recommend, and prescribe treatment for head lice. You can visit your community pharmacist directly for quick care without needing a doctor's appointment.

Please review the attached [TPH_Head-Lice-Fact-Sheet.pdf](#) for helpful tips on checking, treating, and preventing the spread.




Construction & Traffic Alert

BFPP Construction Update (Week of Monday, June 1):

- **Monday, June 1:** This is scheduled to be the final day of work on Chapman Rd.
- **Remainder of June:** Construction work will transition over to **Drury Lane**.

Navigating School Access

To ensure the easiest and quickest access for parents and staff, please **avoid accessing Chapman Rd. from Royal York Rd.** Instead, utilize these alternate routes:

- La Rose Ave  Arcade Dr  Chapman Rd.
- Scarlett Rd  Chapman Rd.

Thank you for your ongoing patience, for choosing **safety over speed**, and for driving carefully through our school zones to keep our students safe.

Thank you for your continued support, collaboration, and dedication to making our school such a vibrant community. Have a wonderful, safe, and happy week ahead!

Warm regards,

Shikha Nalin, Principal

Westmount Junior School

This Week at a Glance:

| Date | Activity |
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| Monday, June 1 Day 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ontario Day ● Osmow's Day ● Westmount Panoramic Picture Day - One picture for the entire school for school foyer - no copies will be sent home |
| Tuesday, June 2 Day 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Swim to Survive - Grade 4 - Last session ● EQAO Catch Up Day ● Kindergarten students will receive a presentation from Dairy Farmers |
| Wednesday, June 3 Day 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wolverine Wednesdays - wear Westmount gear/colours ● Final Day for EQAO Catch Up |
| Thursday, June 4 Day 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Thankful Thursday ● Freezies for sale - funds raised go to Grade 5 graduation ● Please return all Library books |
| Friday, June 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No School for students |

TDSB Updates:

Keep children learning during Summer: Check the TDSB Virtual Library

The TDSB Virtual Library is a vital hub of resources and tools to support learning at school and at home. Whether students are finishing culminating projects or looking for summer reading inspiration, the Virtual Library is accessible 24/7. Need a hand getting started? [Click here to watch our video guide](#) on how to navigate the virtual library.

Literacy Newsletter for TDSB Families

[English/Literacy Newsletter for TDSB families](#), you'll find practical, easy-to-use strategies, activities, and tips that support literacy learning at home for all ages. Whether it's supporting early reading, building vocabulary, or encouraging meaningful conversations, these ideas are intended to fit naturally into your daily routines.

At the TDSB, we recognize families as children's first teachers and partners in learning. This newsletter is one way we aim to strengthen that

partnership—empowering you with tools and ideas to help your child grow as a confident and joyful learner.

EQAO Math Resources on TDSB Website

We are excited to introduce the [EQAO Math Resources Site](#) on the TDSB public website. You will find weekly questions for students in grades 3, 6 and 9, the EQAO glossaries linked for families, parental resource support from the [TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers page](#) and other resources.

[Bookmark this page](#) and check it every week if you have a child in Grade 3, 6, or 9.

Grade 3 Math Resources

1. [EQAO Weekly Practice Questions Grade 3](#)
2. [Google Form for Answers](#) - Students can submit their answers here for the weekly questions
3. [EQAO Grade 3 Glossary](#) - Math Vocabulary which will help students answer questions
4. Parent/Caregiver and Student Practice Package Grade 3 - Families can download this practice package
5. [EQAO Questions and Supports on the TDSB website](#)
6. Families can access the archived EQAO questions to share with families in [Grade 3](#).

TDSB Math Supports for everyone

[TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers page](#)

Free Math Help Available at [TVO Mathify](#), a free online tutoring service for grades 4 to 12

Somali Heritage Month (October 2026) - Creative Art Poster Competition

Each October, the TDSB recognizes Somali Heritage Month. The 2026 theme, *Echoes of Somalinimo: Stories and Legacies*, highlights the enduring power of storytelling within Somali culture and its vital role in preserving identity, history, and community.

All TDSB students across the TDSB are invited to submit a creative art piece inspired by *Echoes of Somalinimo: Stories and Legacies*, reflecting on the power of storytelling in shaping identity, preserving history, and strengthening community. **Please read the full message** for more information about eligibility, prizes, and more.

The submission deadline is **June 19 at 4 p.m.** Questions? Contact [Hotho Farah](#).

Latin-America History Month (October 2026) - Creative Art Showcase

Latin-America History Month celebrates the histories, cultures, and contributions of Indigenous peoples, Afro-descendant communities, and people from Latin-America and its diasporas. The theme for October 2026 is *Honouring Our Roots, Illuminating*

Our Paths / Honrando Nuestras Raíces, Iluminando Nuestros Caminos.

Students across the TDSB are invited to submit a creative art piece that reflects the theme and explores how our roots, memories, and communities shape who we are and the paths we walk today. [Read the full showcase message for details and instructions.](#) The submission deadline is **June 5 at 4 p.m.**