



Westmount Weekly

Mar. 30 - Apr. 3, 2026



Dear Westmount Families,

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the hints of spring in the air! It has been wonderful to see our school community so engaged and active lately. As we move into a new week, we have much to celebrate and look forward to.

Celebrating Our Diversity

At Westmount, our strength lies in our vibrant, diverse community. We have several significant observances approaching:

- **Passover & Easter:** We wish peace and joy to all our families observing these holidays this coming week.
- **Sikh Heritage Month:** April is officially recognized as Sikh Heritage Month at the TDSB. We invite our Sikh families to share their rich culture and history with us.
- **Share Your Story:** Our foyer display case is ready for you! If you have ideas, artifacts, or stories you'd like to share to highlight your cultural celebrations, please reach out to me directly. We love learning from our families.

School Highlights & Updates

- **Spring Fling Bazaar:** A massive **thank you** to everyone who attended! The event was a huge success, and your enthusiasm truly brought the school to life.
- **Lost & Found:** Thank you for helping us clear out the bins last week. Remaining items are being donated to **Diabetes Canada** to support a great cause.
- **Calendars:** While we are still finalizing the April printable calendar, I've heard your feedback loud and clear—most of you prefer these weekly digital updates for their timeliness. We will continue to prioritize this "Weekly" format to keep you in the loop!

Wear Blue for Autism Awareness on Thursday, April 2

Approximately 2% of children in Canada are diagnosed with Autism. To foster a community of kindness and celebrate our neurodivergent learners, we invite all students and staff to wear their favorite **blue shirt or accessories** this Thursday, April 2.

Brush-a-mania: Oral Health Month

We're making dental hygiene fun! April is Oral Health Month, and Westmount is participating in **Brush-a-mania**.

- **Supplies:** We will send **toothpaste and toothbrushes home on Tuesday, March 31** along with an informational brochure.
- **The Challenge:** All elementary students (up to Grade 6) who brush or floss 100 times within any 30-day period between April 1 and May 31 will be emailed a certificate of achievement.
- **Prizes:** Their names may be entered into a draw to win a **Nintendo Switch** or one of fifty **Android tablets!**
- **Tracking:** Parents can log daily progress at www.brushamania.ca.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership in your child's education. Let's have a fantastic, healthy, and inclusive week ahead!

Warm regards,

Shikha Nalin, Principal,

Westmount Junior School

This week at a Glance

Date	Activity
Monday, Mar. 30 Day 3	● Osmow's Day
Tuesday, Mar. 31 Day 4	●
Wednesday, Apr. 1 Day 5	●
Thursday, Apr. 2 Day 1	● Autism Awareness Day - Paint the Hallways Blue
Friday, Apr. 3	● No School - Good Friday

Monday, April 6 - No School, Easter Monday

TDSB Updates:

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. [EQAQ Weekly Practice Questions Grade 3](#)
2. [Google Form for Answers](#) - Students can submit their answers here for the weekly questions
3. [EQAQ 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. [EQAQ Questions and Supports on the TDSB website](#)
6. Families can access the archived EQAQ questions to share with families in [Grade 3](#).

Sign up for EQAQ Math Family Night here:

https://eqao.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_6wqgo4KfSFuj2W-uy4GLTg

TDSB Math Supports for everyone

7. [TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers page](#)
8. Free Math Help Available at [TVO Mathify](#), a free online tutoring service for grades 4 to 12

Updates and Reminders

Summer CampTO

Where kids can be active, creative and make fun memories. Summer CampTO programs for early years (4-5 years), children (6-12 years), and youth (13-17 years) will be available for browsing online on Thursday, February 19. Important summer camp registration dates:

- Tuesday, March 24 - [Early Local Registration](#) at free centre locations for eligible local residents
- Tuesday, March 31 - Registration opens for all other CampTO locations

Parents/Caregivers/Guardians In the loop: Mar 2026

You See Me Black Empowerment Elementary Conference - 2026 Registration Form

The African Heritage (Black History) Month Volunteer Planning Committee has opened registrations for the second annual You See Me Black Empowerment Elementary Conference for Black-identifying TDSB students in grades 5 to 8. This year's theme for the conference is The Power of Us, We Stand Together.

- April 2 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (check-in at 8:30 a.m.)

- Stephen Leacock CI (2450 Birchmount Rd, Scarborough, ON)
- [Register here](#) or [see the full message for more details](#)

Registration closes on March 6. Space is limited and will be reserved based on the numbers recorded during registration. Questions? Contact Meghan Grant and Randy Samuel.

Child and Youth Services (CYS) Poster Contest

- The 2026 Child and Youth Services (CYS) Poster Contest is officially open as part of our ongoing mental health and well-being initiatives! This year, students are invited to explore how compassion, toward themselves and others, supports mental health, strengthens connections, and enhances overall well-being. [Explore the full contest details here.](#)
- With the theme Compassion is the glue that sticks us together, students are encouraged to express, through art, how kindness, empathy, and care help build inclusive, supportive communities where everyone feels they belong. This initiative highlights the important role compassion plays in fostering resilience, belonging, and positive mental health for all students. We invite students to get creative, reflect on acts of compassion in their daily lives, and share their vision through art. The contest deadline is April 1.

Food will be served, childcare is available, and community partners will be present. We hope you will join us for an evening of learning, connection, and shared care. Questions? Contact mentalhealthandwellbeing@tdsb.on.ca.