



Westmount Weekly

May 25 - May 29, 2026



Dear Westmount Families,

As we head into another busy week, I want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible creativity, community spirit, and resilience of our students and staff. There is always so much happening around our school, and I am grateful for your continued partnership.

Here are the important updates and highlights for the upcoming week:

Academics & Achievements

- **EQAO Testing:** Our Grade 3 students will be writing their EQAO assessments this week. We wish them the absolute best of luck! Please note that we are highly mindful of the **Eid celebrations** falling during this week and will ensure accommodations and support are in place for all celebrating families.
- **Track and Field:** A massive congratulations to our athletes who represented Westmount in Track and Field competitions last week! They showed incredible grit, teamwork, and truly performed their absolute best. We are so proud of you!
- **Jump Rope for Heart:** Together as a school community, we raised **over \$600** for the Heart and Stroke Foundation! Thank you so much for your generosity and support for this vital cause.

School Advisory Council (SAC) Updates



- **SAC Meeting:** Our next School Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, May 27th at 6:00 PM**. This will be a virtual meeting. Please join using this link. We hope to see you there!
Join:
<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/277934971861785?p=O7Qdyp7IJhB4EGn3N9>
Meeting ID: 277 934 971 861 785
Passcode: UV7bF9qR
- **Freezie Fridays Continue:** Keep the cool vibes going! Jumbo freezies will be on sale this **Friday, May 29th** after the last recess for **\$1.00**. All funds raised will directly support our Grade 5 graduation celebrations.

Construction & Traffic Alert

Please review the **BFPP Construction UPDATE** for the week starting Tuesday, May 25th. Work continues on *Chapman Rd, Drury Lane, and Royal York Road*.

Current Status: Chapman Rd is not closed, but it is currently marked as **"Open to Local Traffic"** in this area.

To ensure the easiest and quickest school access for parents and staff, please note the following traffic recommendations:

-  **Avoid** accessing Chapman Rd from Royal York Rd.
-  **Use Alternate Routes:** Take La Rose Ave to Arcade Dr to Chapman Rd **OR** Scarlett Rd to 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 Westmount such a vibrant place to learn and grow. Have a wonderful week ahead!

Warmly,

Shikha Nalin

Principal, Westmount Junior School

This Week at a Glance:

Date	Activity
Monday, May 25 Day 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Osmow's Day
Tuesday, May 26 Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Swim to Survive - Grade 4 - Last session● EQAO begins
Wednesday, May 27 Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Wolverine Wednesdays - wear Westmount gear/colours● EQAO
Thursday, May 28 Day 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Thankful Thursday● EQAO● Grade 5 Graduation trip to Ripley's Aquarium
Friday, May 29 Day 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● BarBurrito Day● Freezies for sale - funds raised go to Grade 5 graduation● EQAO

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TDSB Updates:

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](#).

Panfest Vybz 2026 - May 28 Celebration of Music, Arts, and Community

The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement and the TDSB Arts Department welcome staff, students, and community members to Panfest Vybz, a free evening community event that celebrates Caribbean Carnival culture through the Arts!

The evening will include performances by student musicians from a variety of schools and the professional Impulse Steel Orchestra. Questions? Contact [Rukiya Mohamed](#) or [Miranda Blazey](#).

- **May 28 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**
 - Reception from 6:30 - 6:50. Procession and Performances 6:50 - 8:30.
- **Winston Churchill CI** (2239 Lawrence Ave E., Scarborough, ON)
- [Register here](#) or [see the flyer](#) for more details.

Special Education and Inclusion - May 2026 Messages for Parents & Caregivers

- Administrators are asked to share the blurbs below in your monthly/weekly communication to families.

Special Education and Inclusion Newsletter –

May 2026 Edition

The [May 2026 edition](#) of the Special Education and Inclusion Newsletter for Parents/Guardians/Caregivers is now available on the [Special Education and Inclusion site!](#) This monthly newsletter includes important updates, tips, and resources to support students with disabilities and special education needs, and indeed all students.

Parent/Caregiver Engagement Sessions –

May 2026

Special Education and Inclusion is pleased to offer a number of sessions for parents/caregivers in May. Please find additional information [in this flyer](#). All parent engagement sessions for the 2025-26 school year can be found [here on the TDSB website](#).

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.**

Navigating Pathways to Wellness – May 30 TDSB Mental Health Resource Fair

On May 30, the Social Work/Attendance and Child and Youth Services departments warmly invite students, families, and parents/caregivers to the inaugural Navigating Pathways to Wellness: A TDSB Mental Health Resource Fair for All students and Families.

[See the flyer for registration and full details](#). This dynamic, community-powered event will feature an incredible lineup of presenters and partners from the City of Toronto, Toronto Public Health, and leading mental health and community agencies across the city. Together, they will offer engaging sessions, resources, and supports to help families navigate well-being, connection, and care as we head into the summer months. Grounded in the deep connection between mental health and developmental needs, this event creates a vibrant space to learn, connect, and access support.

