

# Adam Beck JR PS



## Newsletter



### Principal's Message

October was a spectacular month with summer like temperatures and students appreciated wearing t-shirts and shorts on the school playground. We hope that this weather will continue into November, however parents please be aware of the sudden changes in the weather. Please remind your children to dress appropriately or in layers as the fall weather changes.

Whether it was early in the morning or later in the afternoon sun, the beginning of fall saw the Boys and Girls Touch Football teams catching, throwing and running plays all over the Adam Beck field. The boy's season came to an end on Oct.17th after they fell 21-20 against Brown P5 in the South Conference quarter-finals in a nail-biting game. The boys won previous games against Duke of Connaught and Leslieville. The girls, in their inaugural season, came 4 points shy of making the play-offs. The girls lost two close games to Hodgeson and Whitney, but were victorious against Deer Park in an October 18th tournament at Deer Park. We are very proud of our Football teams and we would like to thank all of the players who played their hearts out and laid everything on the line for the Bears. We can't wait until next year! Thank Mr. Volpato for coaching both the Boy's & Girl's Football team.

It was an amazing soccer season for our boys in blue and gold! After two tryouts and only a few practices, the boys were ready for our tournament at Westwood P.S. After 4 long games and some amazing plays, the boys placed third overall and unfortunately did not get the chance to move on. They took their wins with grace and humility and their losses with good sportsmanship. The character traits we saw both on and off the field were amazing and all the boys should feel proud of their accomplishments! Way to go Bears! See you next season!

Congratulations to the Grade 6 Girls soccer team on a fantastic season! The girls play with great heart and determination. Our team went undefeated in the tournament, but unfortunately did not move on to the next round, finishing with a 1-0-2 record. Thank you to all the girls on an amazing season.

Special Thanks goes out to Mr. Bines, Madame Annis, Mr. Cizar & Madame Bettas-Protopapas for their hard work and dedication for coaching the Soccer teams.



JOIN THE SCARY FUN AT ADAM BECK PUBLIC SCHOOL'S

# MONSTERBASH!

FOOD! PRIZES! FUN!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 • 4-7 PM



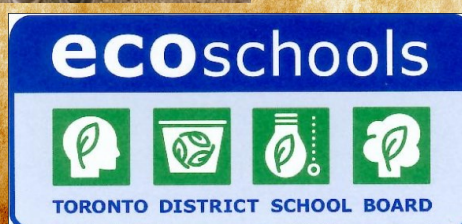
## ADAM BECK ECO-TEAM NEWS

This month's assembly about Responsibility had an Eco School focus as the Eco-Team and Kindergarten students presented their findings about our school waste.

The Eco-Team was busy picking up litter in the school yard. The Kindergarten students saved and counted all their snack and lunch wrappers for several days.

We discovered that the main source of our litter is from individual snack wrappers and single use plastic baggies and straws. As a Platinum Eco-School we would like help from our community to reduce this needless waste. Please try to buy snacks that are NOT wrapped individually. Please use reusable lunch containers and drink boxes. Snacks such as cookies and crackers can be served from a large family sized bag at home and placed into reusable containers for school. Even yogurt and cheese can be served from large family sized containers instead of wasteful, individually packed servings like cheese strings. We appreciate your family's help to reduce our waste and help the planet!!

The Adam Beck Eco-Teams is also taking our reducing waste campaign further to our larger community by creating a NO LITTERING billboard sign that the City has agreed will be hung on the Woodbine Beach Change House this Spring. We are holding a design competition for the No Littering billboard for all interested students in our school. Please see the attached information sheet and design entry form if your child is interested in entering the No Littering Billboard sign competition. Check out the next page for more information!







## Woodbine Beach No Littering Sign Design Competition

Do you love helping Nature? Do you love art? Then get your form to enter the Woodbine Beach No Littering Sign Design Competition from your teacher!!

All designs must be in color horizontally on an 8.5x11 paper. It must contain a No Littering message (positive messaging e.g. Please pick up your litter, Put litter in its place, etc.)

Don't forget your NAME & ROOM #

There will be 2 winning signs chosen: 1 will be placed at Woodbine Beach and 1 will be in our school.

\*\*\*\* **Deadline Nov. 8** \*\*\*\*

Judging Nov. 9

1 8.5x11 paper ( landscape )

2 winners ( 1 at beach, 1 in school)

Must contain a no littering message (positive messaging e.g. Please pick up your litter)

**NAME and ROOM NUMBER**

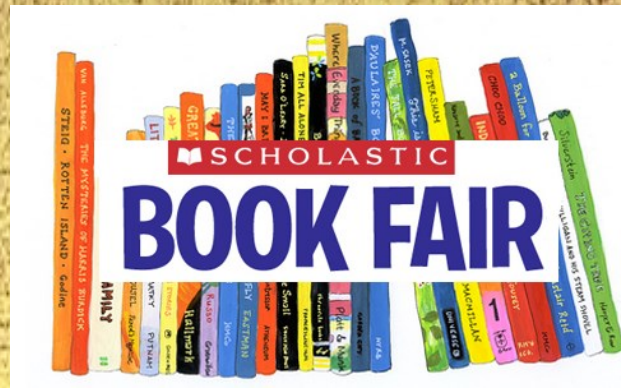
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Room # \_\_\_\_\_

**DRAW SIGN HORIZONTALLY**







## Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school November 13- 16 and you are invited to come and share in this celebration of literacy with us!

Each class will have chance to visit the Book fair twice: first to look around and choose books and second time to buy. Students will bring home a list of titles they would like to purchase on their second visit. The Book Fair will be open every day for class visits during regular school hours and after school until 4 pm (for parents and caregivers). We're also hosting a special **Family Event from 4-7pm on November 16th** during interview times.

One great way to ensure our children get started with reading and keep on reading all year long is with the Classroom Wish List program. We urge you to stop by the CWL display when you first arrive at the Fair. Learn how purchasing books and donating them to your child's classroom can give little readers even greater access to the books they want to read by expanding existing classroom libraries.

If you are interested volunteering to help us run this highly popular event, please email Mme. Panova ([olga.panova@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:olga.panova@tdsb.on.ca)) or our parent volunteer Chairperson Sonya Buyting ([sonya@sonyabuyting.com](mailto:sonya@sonyabuyting.com)) we appreciate any time and way you can support our Book Fair. Your support can help our students blossom with new and exciting adventures in reading, stimulating young minds for years to come.

Mme. Panova







## Halloween Safety Tips



### Hallowe'en Safety Tips

Hallowe'en provides an opportunity for parents and children to spend time together creating costumes, carving pumpkins, planning trick or treat activities and participating in family parties. Hallowe'en is a big event at schools and provides opportunities for parties, creative activities, art programs and impromptu history lessons. Hallowe'en is also a time for students, parents, and schools to take extra care to ensure safety and security.

### TRICK OR TREAT SAFETY

If parents are concerned about trick or treating, here are some basic safety rules to follow:

- Children should **NEVER** eat any treats until parents have had a chance to go through them and inspect them. Parents should look for tampering of packages and discard any they believe to be unsafe or unknown.
- Have your child carry a flashlight.
- **NEVER** go into a stranger's house.
- **NEVER** trick or treat with people you do not know.
- Trick or treat only at homes you know.
- Children should always stay in groups if no parent is present.
- Younger children should **ALWAYS** be accompanied by an older person.
- Accompany your child when trick or treating.
- If you cannot accompany your child then know the route your child will take.
- Flame resistant (retardant) costumes are in order. Keep costumes short and remind children to stay away from pumpkins with candles in them.
- Remind children to stay away from pets they do not know.
- Remind children of road safety rules. Cross only at corners. Do not criss-cross the road. Go up one side of the road and down the other side. Never cross between parked cars. Walk facing on-coming traffic if there is no sidewalk
- If adults are driving their children, drive slowly, with lights on and be cautious when pulling to the side of the road.
- Children should wear their own shoes when trick or treating. Wearing costume shoes/boots can be dangerous and uncomfortable.
- Remind children that not everyone celebrates Hallowe'en, and to avoid any homes that have no lights on. Also remind children not to run through neighbours yards or gardens.
- With older children, be sure to know what other events (such as parties) they plan on attending.

- Set time limits when children

### Monsterbash

Thanks to our lead, Karen McMullen who working so hard with the Monsterbash committee and her volunteers to make this event happen on Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup> from 4 – 7 pm. Wristbands \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door. Wristbands and Tickets on sale now through [Munchalunch.com](http://Munchalunch.com). This year, purchase packs of 10 or 20 tickets ahead of time, and avoid that scary line! Food and prizing tickets will be available at the event: .50 each.



## French Immersion Registration/Information Night

### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Application process opens: October 30, 2017**

**Deadline for applications: November 30, 2017**

Adam Beck will NOT be having an information session to discuss the registration process. Please refer to the information sheet you have received to see if a time and location fit your schedule.

#### Early French Immersion (Senior Kindergarten (SK) Entry)

Applications to the Early French Immersion program are made the year your child is in Junior Kindergarten (or is of Junior Kindergarten age) for entry in Senior Kindergarten. It is an entirely online process. All communication will be sent via the email address you provide.

Please visit the application site [www.tdsb.on.ca/pars](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/pars)

TDSB students: You will need your child's date of birth and OEN. The OEN is a 9-digit number found on any report card from the TDSB.

For non-TDSB students: please select the "Non-TDSB Student" option and follow the steps to generate an identification number. You must then return to the PARS site and follow the application procedure with this number.

Please select the Early Immersion Program (SK) from the drop-down menu, and complete the application process.

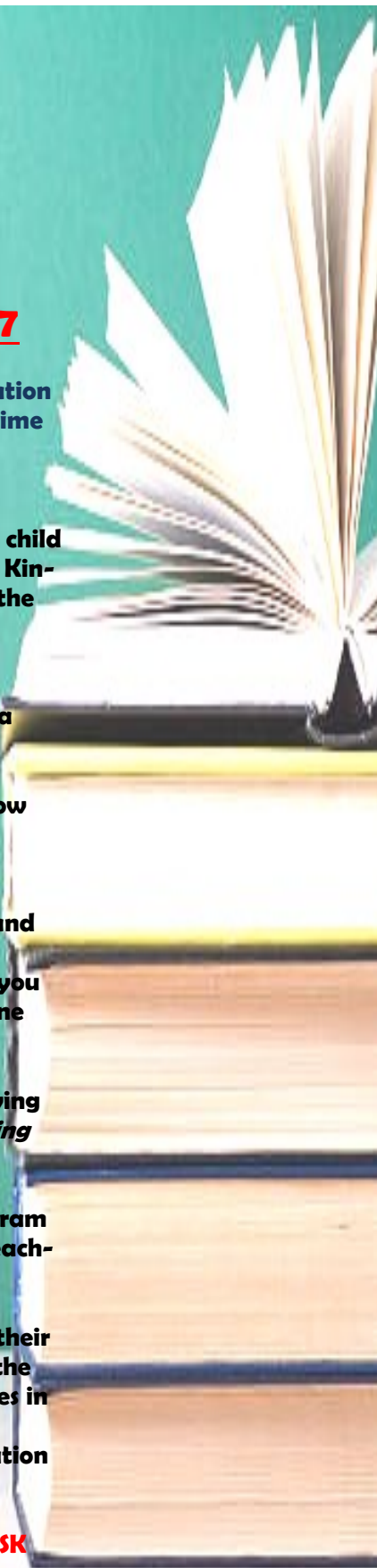
On-time applicants will be offered a placement online via the email address you have provided. You MUST take action to accept this placement by the deadline requested when you are offered a placement.

Offers of placement will be ongoing throughout the weeks and months following the close of the application period. *Please check your email regularly, including junk mail folders, and follow any instructions.*

**Please Note:** While admission to the French Immersion/Extended French program is guaranteed, admission to a specific school is not guaranteed if the school reaches capacity.

While every effort will be made to place students in the school identified as their area French Immersion School, this is not always possible. In cases where the number of applications in a given area is greater than the number of spaces in the school, students may be redirected to schools with available space. Placements are made based on the address you provide prior to the application deadline.

**If your address changes between the application deadline and the fall of the SK year, there is no guarantee of placement in your new area.**





**Junior Extended French (JEF) which begins in  
Grade 4**

**We guarantee an offer of placement in the program (not a specific school) to all on-time applicants. Transportation is provided as per the Board's Transportation policy.**

**The timeline for applying for (JEF) program for  
September 2018 is:**

**- Applications for Junior Extended French must be completed online between January 8, 2018 and February 8, 2018.**

**Offers of placement within your chosen program will be made to all on-time applicants in the weeks following the close of the application window.**

**Please note: families with an older sibling currently in a French program are still required to complete an online application for the new student. For further information about French as a Second Language programs, the application process and dates for Information Evenings, please visit [www.tdsb.on.ca/french](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/french).**





## **Attendance**

**Please be aware that our attendance system now automatically generates attendance letters for students who are late and/or absent more than 5 days. These letters are sent home to parents and also filed in your child's Ontario School Records. If your child was due away to a lengthy illness it is the parent's responsibility to provide the school with a medical note that will be attached to the letter and placed in the OSR.**

**The TD&B will also be moving to an automated phone call out system for attendance in the near future which means you will be receiving an automated call if your child is late or absent and you have not contacted the school.**

## **Dressing for the Weather**

**Please remember we ask that all students have a pair of indoor and outdoor shoes at school. This is extremely important in case we have to suddenly evacuate. All students must wear shoes at all times inside the school.**

## **Evacuation Sites for Adam Beck**

**If there was any reason we could not evacuate to our first site at Blantyre due to an emergency in that area we would go to the next site on the list and so forth.**

**Blantyre PS (290 Blantyre Street)**

**Balmy Beach (14 Pine Street)**

**Kimberly PS (50 Swanwick Avenue)**

**If there was any reason we could not evacuate to our first site at Blantyre due to an emergency in that area we would go to the next site on the list and so forth.**

## **Jersey Day – Spirit Day**

**Don't forget the theme for our Spirit Day on Friday November 24<sup>th</sup> is "Jersey Day". We look forward to seeing how creative our students will get with this! J**

## **Volunteers/Processed Volunteer Forms**

**For all of our parents who have already submitted their application for Police Clearance, please remember it is your responsibility to bring the clearance to our office once you receive it in the mail. We require the original document. You will not be active on our clearance system until you have given us the original Police Clearance Copy. The original will be returned to you once you have been added. Parents, please remember that if you wish to Volunteer in any capacity in our school you must have a Police Reference Check completed. This includes volunteering for Field Trips, supporting classrooms and various Fundraising events like Pizza Lunch, Monsterbash, etc. and/or acting as a Volunteer Driver for sports events. While we make exceptions for one time occasions under staff supervision it is important that our "regular" volunteers get their clearance. Please pick up a Police Clearance Form from our office to get this started. The cost for the clearance is \$20.00, a certified cheque or money order payable to "Toronto Police Service"**



## **Lockdown and Fire Drills**

**At the beginning of each school year, our students and staff prepare for the year ahead by establishing the foundations for a successful year. One of the ways we know we can help students be successful is to create a safe environment in which to learn. Though no one ever wants to see an emergency happen at a school, it's important for school staff to be equipped to deal with those situations, should these occur.**

**The safety of students and staff is a top priority at our school and to that end, as with all emergency drills, it is essential that we are prepared and understand the importance of procedures that will help ensure the safety of everyone in our school.**

**The TDSB has taken steps to ensure your child's safety while in school. Each school has developed emergency preparedness plans that include steps staff will take in the event of an emergency, how staff will get students away from possible dangers, and how students' families will be contacted.**

**One aspect of emergency preparedness is the lockdown and fire drill. All schools are required to conduct a minimum of two lockdown drills and six fire drills each school year. Lockdown drills, like fire drills, are an essential component to ensuring student and staff safety. It is important that all staff and students are prepared and know how to respond in cases of emergencies. The drills last approximately 5 minutes and ensure plans are effective and can also systematically identify any safety concerns.**

**Communication is also very important in any emergency situation. The emergency contact information kept on file is important in helping this happen. It lists the people who can pick up a student from the school. If you have not yet provided this information to the office or have updates to the information on file, please make sure our office staff have that information as soon as possible.**

## **Parent-Teacher Interviews**

**Regular parent-teacher communication is an important part of student learning. Parent-teacher interviews are scheduled throughout the year after report cards are sent home.**

**These interviews are your opportunity to ask questions about your child's progress and to discuss any issues. In addition to regular scheduled parent-teacher interviews, you can request a meeting at any time during the school year by contacting the school or your child's teacher directly.**



# ADAM BECK BEAR FACTS FROM MISS SMITH...

## ADAM BECK CROSS COUNTRY...

On Monday, October 2nd, 225 very keen Adam Beck Bears travelled down to Ashbridges Bay to demonstrate their amazing endurance running abilities at our Area Cross Country Meet. The Bears were extremely happy as the weather was sunny and bright for our race day. Cheers of "GO BEARS GO!! GO BEARS GO!!" could be heard loud and clear throughout the day. The Bears also did an outstanding job cheering on athletes from other schools who were having difficulty finishing the race. Each and every Adam Beck athlete, from Grades 1 to 6, worked hard and did their very best. Many 'personal bests' were achieved by our runners. Great job Bears!!

Congratulations to ALL of our amazing Cross Country Runners!! The following athletes and grade teams advanced to the Cross Country South Conference Finals:

### Grade 3 Girls

PLACED 1<sup>ST</sup> Overall in Team Standings J

Bronwyn B. – 1<sup>st</sup>

Chloe S. – 14<sup>th</sup>

Bridget M. – 16<sup>th</sup>

Addy S. – 25<sup>th</sup>

Viktoria H. – 41<sup>st</sup>

### Grade 4 Girls

Placed 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall in Team Standings J

Charlotte R. – 8<sup>th</sup>

Parker W. – 15<sup>th</sup>

Georgia A. – 25<sup>th</sup>

Linea L. – 28<sup>th</sup>

Lily K. – 37<sup>th</sup>

### Grade 5 Girls

Placed 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall in Team Standings J

Melissa B. – 1<sup>st</sup>

Amelia D. – M. – 5<sup>th</sup>

Lola W. – 32<sup>nd</sup>

Ruby W. – 37<sup>th</sup>

Clara P. – 46<sup>th</sup>

### Grade 6 Boys

Placed 4<sup>th</sup> Overall in Team Standings J

Luke J. – 13<sup>th</sup>

Jack S. – 15<sup>th</sup>

Nolan G. – 31<sup>st</sup>

Zacri M. – 48<sup>th</sup>

Sam S. – 53<sup>rd</sup>

Congratulations to ALL of our amazing Cross Country Runners!!

### Grade 3 Boys

Dante M. – 21<sup>st</sup>

Noah K. – 30<sup>th</sup>

### Grade 4 Boys

Alex L.- M. – 30<sup>th</sup>

### Grade 5 Boys

Jimmy L. – 17<sup>th</sup>

Mathias D. – 18<sup>th</sup>



## **NOW ON TO THE CROSS COUNTRY SOUTH CONFERENCE FINALS...**

**We had another spectacular weather day for Cross Country South Conference Finals which once again took place down at the Ashbridges Bay on Friday, October 13th. Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> ended up being a LUCKY day for our athletes! Congratulations to our amazing 25 Cross Country Runners. Our Bears made us extremely proud, both for their great running ability and their wonderful sportsmanship!!**

**Our Bears had the chance to cheer on athletes who participated in the “Barrier Free” race in wheel chairs and also those who were visually impaired, who ran with the assistance of guide runners. We were so glad we had the opportunity to cheer these dedicated athletes on to the finish line. What a true demonstration of perseverance. It was definitely a touching and memorable moment for all of us.**

**In addition, we had the honour to meet Paralympian, Paul ‘Rosey’ Rosen, who was the goalie on the Canadian Sledge Hockey Olympic Team that won the GOLD MEDAL at the Winter Olympics in Torino (2006). Paul shared stories with our runners, showed us his GOLD medal and posed for many great photos! “Rosey” will be coming to visit our Junior Adam Beck students on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Parents and family members are invited to attend to hear the motivational words of Paul as he shares his life experiences. Please see all of the important details below.**

**A special shout out to Melissa B., who placed 2nd, and received a silver medal and to Amelia D. who placed 15<sup>th</sup>. These awesome runners advanced to represent Adam Beck at the Toronto District Elementary School Athletic Association (TDESA) Cross Country City Finals.**

### **Special Thanks ...**

**The Cross Country Coaches would like to thank the amazing parent volunteers who helped set up the Adam Beck tents down at the boardwalk bright and early on race day, our parent volunteers who walked our runners to the start line and met them at the finish and our parents who supervised our runners throughout the day at both the Area Meet and the South Conference Finals Meet. You helped make our Cross Country Season be a great success! Your support was great appreciated!**

## **ON TO THE TDESA CROSS COUNTRY CITY FINALS...**

**Toronto’s best Cross Country runners converged upon Centennial Park in Etobicoke on Thursday, October 26th for the TDESA Cross Country City Finals. Mother Nature cooperated for us as we had a sunny, crisp fall day. A perfect day for Cross Country!!**

**Grade 5 teammates Melissa and Amelia had a great race! Congratulations and Happy 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Melissa, who ironically placed in the top 10, coming in 8<sup>th</sup> place. Congratulations should also go out to Amelia, who placed 54<sup>th</sup> out of approximately 100 of the fastest grade 5 girls in the city.**

**Congratulations on your stellar performances girls! You have made us extremely proud! GO BEARS GO!! GRRRRRRRR!!**





Don't forget to wear your Red & White or Olympic gear to show your Adam Beck School spirit when Paul 'Rosey' Rosen comes to visit the Junior classes on Wed. Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9 a.m. Parents and families are welcome to attend this motivational assembly.

## **Paralympian Paul 'Rosey' Rosen will be visiting Adam Beck.....**

**On Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Gold medalist Paralympian Sledge Hockey Goalie, Paul 'Rosey' Rosen will be speaking to the Grade 4, 5 and 6 Adam Beck students. All Adam Beck students and staff are being encouraged to wear RED and WHITE or their 'Olympic gear' on that day to show our Adam Beck School spirit!!**

**'Rosey' will deliver his story of courage and perseverance to our students, radiating his zest for life and his personal mantra "To make your dreams come true, the first thing you have to do is open your eyes.". He will also bring along his Olympic Gold medal to show our students. Paul's celebrated Sledge Hockey career wasn't the only achievement the dynamic athlete captured in his prime. "Rosey" can also lay claim to:**

- Competing in the Parapan Am Summer Games**
- Winning a bronze medal in Sitting Volleyball for Canada at the Parapan AmGames**
- Being one of only a handful of athletes who have medaled in both Summer and Winter International Competitions**
- Receiving two Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Awards from the Rotary Club**
- Being featured in 'Sled Head', a documentary about Sledge Hockey**

**To honour his lifetime of accolades, Paul received a Diamond Jubilee Medal directly from the Prime Minister of Canada and Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.**

**Paul will captivate and motivate the audience, teachers, parents, and students for 45 minutes and then stay to answer questions.**





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**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 • 4-7 PM**

ADAM BECK COMMUNITY CENTRE 79 LAWLOR

WRISTBANDS AND TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH [MUNCHALUNCH.COM](http://MUNCHALUNCH.COM)  
AS OF OCTOBER 1ST, AND AT THE DOOR ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT.

FOR MORE INFO, VISIT [TDSB.CA/ADAMBECK](http://TDSB.CA/ADAMBECK)  
GO TO [SIGNUP.COM/MONSTERBASH](http://SIGNUP.COM/MONSTERBASH) TO VOLUNTEER

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*All Adam Beck Family & Community Members are invited to attend  
our Annual Remembrance Day Assembly, this year titled*

**Let Peace**  
**Begin**  
**with Me**

*on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.*

*in the Gymnasium*

*featuring students in the Drama Club, the Junior Choir and Rooms 10 & 11.*



## **Remembrance Day**

**On Friday, November 10, students and staff at our school and across the city will mark Remembrance Day with classroom activities and school assemblies. During Remembrance Day, our teachers make connections between global events and students' lives by promoting peace within our school community. On this solemn occasion, our staff, students, parents, and the wider community all join together in a call for peace.**

**This year's Remembrance Day marks the date and time when fighting stopped on November 11th at 11am in 1918 (the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month) which makes this the 99th anniversary for the end of the First World War. It is also the 72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the end of World War II.**



## **Important Dates**

- Saturday October 28 – MonsterBash – 4 – 7 pm**  
**Monday October 30 – French Immersion Online Applications Open**  
**Tuesday October 31 – Halloween Parade & Monster Mash Dance Outside**  
**(all parents welcome)– 12:45 pm**  
**Thursday November 2 – School Photo Retake Day & Siblings Photos**  
**(Morning)**  
**Friday November 10 – Remembrance Day & School Council Movie Night**  
**(6:30 pm)**  
**Monday November 13 – Book Fair Begins**  
**Tuesday November 14 – Progress Reports – Go Home**  
**Wednesday November 15 - Pizza Lunch**  
**Thursday November 16 – Parent/Teacher Interviews (Evening)**  
**Friday November 17 – PA Day – No School & Parent/Teacher Interviews**  
**(Morning)**  
**Wednesday November 22 - Paralympian Paul ‘Rosey’ Rosen – 9 am**  
**Thursday November 23 – School Council Meeting – 6:30 pm (Studio)**  
**Friday November 24 – Jersey Day (Spirit Day) & Rendez-Vous Café –**  
**(Conference Room) 9 am**  
**Saturday November 25 – Holiday Party – 10 – 1 pm**