

May Newsletter

Adam Beck JR PP

Principal's Message:

In the month of May, we experienced beautiful spring like weather thus far and hoping for warmer temperatures. Our Grade 5 students and teachers will be going to Island School from May 28 – 30th and will experience the great outdoors on the Toronto Island. The Grade 5 students will be hiking, orienteering and participating in cooperative games. Activities are planned which develop knowledge and skills in academic areas such as social studies, science, language arts, mathematics, as well as expanding the sphere of the physical and health education and arts programs. A special thanks goes out to Mr. Bines, Madame Ovalles, Mrs. Willms and Mr. Mason for supervising the Grade 5 students.

Our "Lost & Found" continues to be quite full and this is a result of many students leaving items outside in the school yard. Parents and students are encouraged to check the "Lost & Found" because we will soon be bagging up remaining items and giving them away to charity.

Please don't forget that Friday June 8th is a PA Day and there is no school for students.

On a final note, if you are moving out of the Adam Beck area or transferring to another school, please call Ms. Michelle Defazio in our school office at 416-393-1682 as soon as possible so that a transfer form can be prepared and we can plan more accurately for next year. Thank you for your continued support!

Cheers

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Play Day

On Wednesday June 20th, we will be having our Play Day in the morning (weather permitting), our student appreciation BBQ at lunch. Each student can have 1-2 hot dogs, a juice and a freezie!

In addition, to our student BBQ, the School Council Spirit Committee has organized "Inside/Out" T-shirt Day and fun spirit tattoos for students to have on. If you do not wish for your child to have a tattoo (which is removable with soap and water) please let your child's teacher know.



ADAM BECK ECO TEAM JUNEFEST CLOTHING EXCHANGE

Please save all your CLEAN, GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S CLOTHING For the Eco-Team Clothing Exchange at the June Fest, June 10th! We will be collecting children's clothing to exchange at the June Fest. Any left over clothing will be donated to charity. Please drop off your CLEAN, GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S CLOTHING in the bins beside the office on **June 6 and June 7**. Thank you for your help, the Eco-Team



MAYFAIR A.K.A JUNEFEST

Mayfair A.K.A Junefest is coming Sunday, June 10, 2018 from 11 am – 3 pm! Please join us in fun day of wonderful activities such as bouncing castles, games and a silent auction. Tickets/wristbands are being sold at www.munchalunch.com , parents can also volunteer themselves or their grade 6 and up students to help for the day of.

Should anybody have questions, they can contact Lisa Telio or Michelle Grahman

Spring Concerts at Adam Beck

May 3rd was a busy, busy day around Adam Beck with the presentation of our 2 wonderful spring concerts.

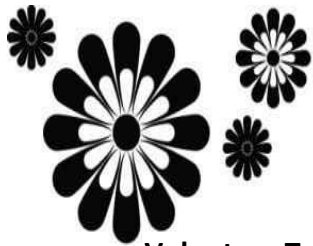
During the evening concert, our Kindergarten division presented their first ever "Kindergarten Spring Celebration" where our English and French Immersion Junior and Senior Kindergarten students shared chants, songs and stories celebrating the new season and their learning so far this year. Congratulations to our amazing, youngest Adam Beck students who gave a wonderful performance that afternoon. Many thanks to all the teachers and Early Childhood Educators (ECE's) who helped prepare the students for the event, including our Kindergarten Drama & Dance teacher, Ms. Hillier-Hu, and our Kindergarten Music teacher, Mr. Mason. The following concert was the culmination of a great amount of extra-curricular work for many of our Grade 1 to 6 students. "A World of Pure Imagination" included a musical re-telling of Robert Munsch's "Paper Bag Princess" with all original songs written by Mr. Mason! Congratulations to all our amazing student musicians who performed that night - the members of the Grade 1 Music Club, the Primary Choir, the Junior Choir, the Grade 5 String class and the Grade 6 Band class! A big thank you to:

- our dedicated and talented parent-volunteer musicians who shared their talents with us that night to help make our concert extra special
- the fantastic teaching and administrative staff at Adam Beck, who helped to supervise the students at rehearsals as well as on the evening of the concert,
- Adam Beck's amazing caretaking team, for their set up and tear down of the gym, and a special thank you to Wendy Potter for her dedicated volunteerism throughout the year as the weekly accompanist at all choir rehearsals, including the concert.

It was a wonderful celebration for all in attendance! Thanks to all the families who joined us that evening, and for your ongoing support of your child's artistic endeavours. Keep making music, Adam Beck!

Excellent Performance Mr. Mason and assistants!





Volunteer Tea



We would like to thank all parent volunteers for their enormous contributions and making our school such an amazing place. Our volunteers help in so many capacities and we just could not do it without all of you. We invite parent volunteers to come out on Tuesday June 12th starting at 8:15 am to enjoy some coffee, tea and light treats. Please remember that these treats are meant for adults only and students will not be permitted to help themselves to these treats.



Should the weather not cooperate this event will be held in the gymnasium.



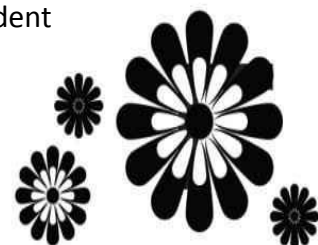
Student Class Placement for 2018 – 2019

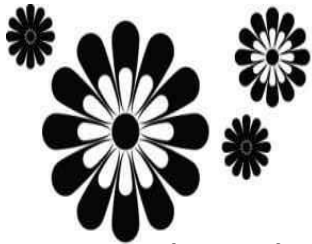
It is important as a school organization to keep in mind that the staff is developing equitable and balanced classrooms based on the following factors listed below:

- Academic achievement levels, cross-section of abilities
- Ratio of boys to girls
- Social, emotional and behavioural factors
- Learning styles
- Group dynamics
- Special needs as identified through IPRC's or School Team

A considerable amount of time and thought is put into this process with the staff. The elementary school experience is more than academics. When children are exposed to a variety of teaching styles and classmates, they learn to work with many different personalities, make new friends and develop coping strategies and critical thinking skills that will not only serve them in the workplace but in all areas of life. I am asking that you trust us to use our best professional judgement as we work through our placement process.

Please remember that while we take your recommendations into consideration for your child's class placement, it is not always possible to fulfill all requests. Ultimately we work hard to create balanced classes. The class placement that your child's is assigned to in June will not change unless we have to reorganize our school during September due to an increase or decrease in student numbers.





Adam Beck Rendezvous Café



Please join us for the Rendezvous Café on Friday June 22nd. All parents, caregivers and staff are invited to the final Rendezvous Café for this school year at Adam Beck.

The café will be open at 8:45am in the meeting room, north wing where there will be coffee, tea and treats.



Grade 6 Graduation

All of our Grade Six Parents are reminded to save the date of Tuesday June 26th at 1:30 pm for our Grade 6 Graduation ceremony which will take place in the Adam Beck gymnasium.

Elementary Summer School

Elementary summer programs increase engagement and build self-confidence in our students. This summer, from July 4 – 27, we are opening schools across the city to help build reading, writing and math skills in students from Kindergarten to Grade 8. Visit www.tdsb.on.ca/summer for a complete list of participating schools. @TDSB_ConEd



May 28 - June 1, Bike to School Week at the TDSB

Let's get rolling! Join students and teachers across the province in celebrating Bike to School Week.

Schools participate in Bike to School Week by encouraging their students to walk and roll to school, and by holding events both inside and outside the classroom to promote the benefits of active transportation.

For more information and resources, please visit our Bike to School Week web page www.tdsb.on.ca/ecoschools.



Track & Field

Congratulations to all of our amazing athletes who participated at our Area Track and Field Meet at Birchmount on May 14th. The Bears had a great day both on the track and on the field! We had TONS of team spirit in the stands. Special shout out to Zaec for our new A-D-A-M B-E-C-K cheer! #loveit Now to share the results of those who let me know how they placed yesterday. Here we go...

In 9th...

Clara in 200 m,

In 8th...

Keely in 80 m,

In 7th...

Danica in Standing Jump,

The grade 6 boys relay,

Lola in 80 m,

Ruby in TJ and

Will in SP,

In 6th...

Keeler in RLJ

Amelia in RLJ,

Alex in 1500 m,

Luke in RLJ,

Julia in 400 m,

Lauren in RLJ,

Kai in SJ,

Julian in 800 m

and the Co-Ed relay,

In 5th...

Mathias in 1500 m,

Jared in SP,

Jack in 800 m,

Ruby in RLJ and

Parker in SJ

In 4th...

Isaiah in TJ,

Sam in TJ,

Georgia in 400 m,

Jacob in RLJ and Evan in 80 m,

The following athletes will continue practicing as they have qualified for the South Conference Finals...

In 3rd...

Charlotte R. in 80m,

Nolan in SP,

Isaiah in SJ,

Evan in 400 m,

The Grade 4 Boys Relay and both the Grade 5 Girls AND the Grade 5 Boys Relay,

In 2nd...

Callem in SP,

Marcus in the 80 m,

Charlotte R. in 200m,

And in 1st...

Marcus in RLJ and Melissa who placed first in both the 800 m and the 1500 m.

Please join me in congratulating these fabulous athletes! Please be sure to talk to your coaches to determine when your next practice will be.

Special thanks to all of our wonderful Adam Beck coaches who worked hard to prepare our athletes for our meet! Great job Bears!! Go Bears Go!! GRRRRRR!! A GREAT BIG BEAR HUG to our Proud Mama Bear Kara Smith for her devoted and committed coaching at Adam Beck.



School Year Calendar – 2018 - 2019

The official school year calendar for the Toronto District School Board runs from September 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, inclusive.

First day of classes for all students is September 4, 2018

The last day of class for elementary students is June 27, 2019

The last day of class for secondary (full-year) students is June 25, 2019

The last day of class for secondary (semestered) students is June 25, 2019

2018 - 2019 Dates to Remember: Holidays and PA Days

There are no classes for students on the dates listed below

PA Days 2018-2019

| PA Days | October | November | December | January | February | June |
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| Elementary | 5 | 16 | 7 | 18 | 15 | 7,28 |
| Secondary | 5 | 16 | 7 | *31 | 15 | 26*,27,28 |

PA Days & Holidays

| PA Days & Holidays | Date |
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| Labour Day | September 3, 2018 |
| Board-wide PA Day | October 5, 2018 |
| Thanksgiving | October 8, 2018 |
| Board-wide PA Day | November 16, 2018 |
| Board-wide PA Day | December 7, 2018 |
| Christmas Break | December 24, 2018 to January 4, 2019 (inclusive) Last day of school is December 21, 2018 School resumes January 7, 2019 |
| Elementary PA Day | January 18, 2019 |
| Secondary PA Day - (<u>Semestered</u> Schools only) | * January 31, 2019 |
| Board-wide PA Day | February 15, 2019 |
| Family Day | February 18, 2019 |
| March Break | March 11 to 15, 2019 |
| Good Friday | April 19, 2019 |

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| Easter Monday | April 22, 2019 |
| Victoria Day | May 20, 2019 |
| Elementary School PA Day | June 7, 2019 |
| Secondary School PA Day (Full Year Schools only) | * June 26, 2019 |
| Secondary School PA Day | June 27, 2019 |
| Board-wide PA Day | June 28, 2019 |

EQAO

The following dates have been established:

Primary/Junior EQAO: May 21-June 3, 2019

Important Dates:

- May 22nd – June 2nd: Grade 3 (French and English)
- May 28th – June 4th: All Grade 6 classes (French and English)
- May 28th – 30th – Grade 5 Island School Trip
- May 29th: Welcome to Kindergarten for New Kindergarten Families – 6 – 7 pm
- June 5th – 7th – Aussie X Games – X Movement Program
- June 7th: South Conference Track & Field Meet – Grade 4 – 6 at Birchmount Collegiate
- June 8th: PA Day (School Closed)
- June 10th: JuneFest (A.K.A. Mayfair) 11 – 3 pm
- June 12th: City Finals - Track & Field Meet – Grade 4 – 6 at Birchmount Collegiate & Volunteer Tea
- June 13th: Pizza Lunch
- June 17th: Father's Day
- June 20th: Student Playday & BBQ
- June 21st: Student Playday Rain date & School Council Meeting – 6:30 pm
- June 22nd: Inside/Out Day – Spirit Day & Rendezvous Café (8:45 am – Conference Room)
- June 26th: Reports Go Home & Grade 6 Graduation – 1:30 pm
- June 28th: Last Day of School
- June 29th: PA Day – No School