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MONTHLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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KIMBERLEY JR. P.S

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to all our families. We hope that everyone had an enjoyable Winter Break and are ready for the next six months of the school year. We are looking forward to continuing our learning, extracurricular activities, and events. It is important to your child's educational development that they come to school on time and ready to learn each day. As Henry Ford said, "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." And working together is what we must do so that students continue in their learning journey.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

With the cold and wet weather here, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for changing temperatures. Students will be outside every day unless we have severe inclement weather.

FOOD DRIVE

The final numbers from the Kimberley /Beaches Food Drive are in and they were fantastic! Both schools were asked to bring in a donation from each class! Students in Room 208 were busy counting, tallying, sorting and graphing daily donations from each class. The total amount of food donated was 819 items! Thank you so much for all your donations and a huge thank you to Mr. van Hoeijen's class for their hard work!

MONTHLY CHARACTER TRAIT TEAMWORK

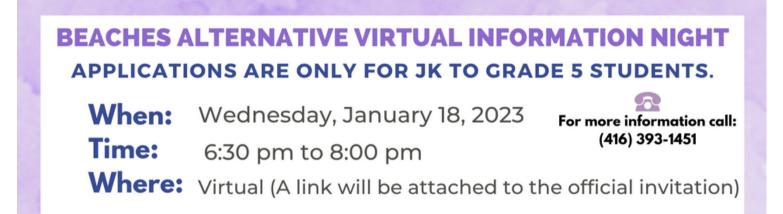




BEACHES ALTERNATIVE APPLICATION INFORMATION LINK: ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL POLICY

On October 26, 2022, the Board approved revisions to the Alternative Schools Policy. As part of the TDSB's commitment to ensure equitable access, admissions, and opportunities for all students and to support implementation of the Board decision regarding elementary alternative schools (May 26, 2021) and the revised Alternative Schools Policy (P062), the TDSB has developed a new centralized application process and online application form for elementary alternative schools.

The centralized application process and online application form will be in place for students and families to request admission for September 2023. Staff and families will be able to access information related to elementary alternative schools on the TDSB website in the coming weeks.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR KIMBERLEY FAMILIES

Registration for all TDSB English Kindergarten programs begins in February. Families can register their child(ren) online at <u>www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten</u>. When registering, please be sure to register for the 2023-2024 school year.



MIDDLE FRENCH

The entry point to Middle French Immersion for September 2023 is Grade 4. The application to the Middle French Immersion program will remain an online process managed by the Central French Department and applications must be completed online between January 9 and February 3, 2023. An offer of placement in the program (not a specific school) is guaranteed to all on-time applicants. Families with an older sibling currently in a French program are still required to complete an online application for the new student.

Visit the TDSB website for more information about <u>Middle French Immersion</u>, <u>Virtual & In-Person Information Sessions</u>, or the <u>Application Process</u>.



Kimberley 2021-2022 EQAO Results of the percentage of students that achieved a Level 3 and 4 (Meeting and Exceeding the Expectations) in comparison to TDSB and Province.

GRADE 3							
	Reading	Writing	Math				
School	93%	86%	76%				
TDSB 74%		68%	62%				
Province	73%	65%	59%				
GRADE 6							
	Reading	Writing	Math				
School 100%		100%	68%				
TDSB 85%		85%	52%				
Province 85%		84%	47%				

WINTER HOLIDAY ROTATIONS

On December 20 and 21 the Equity committee organized holiday rotations that included the following holidays: Christmas, Eid, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Lunar New Year, Winter Solstice and Diwali. Students were able to visit other classroom and learn about different holidays taught by another teacher. Teachers were able to get to know students in other classes from both schools.





TOY RAFFLE

The Toy Raffle was a success! Thank you to the staff for their kind donations of items for the Toy Raffle. Also a huge thank you to all the students who bought tickets knowing that all of the money would be donated to Community Centre 55 for their "Hamper" program. This wonderful program distributes toys and holiday dinners to families that need a little help during the holidays. Thanks to the generosity of our students and their families, Kimberley/Beaches were able to donate \$2821 to Centre 55, and at the assembly some lucky students went home with a new toy! Thank you to all for making this year's Toy Raffle a huge success!

HEALTHY FAMILY NIGHT

A FREE community Healthy Family Evening with food from the Lunch Mom and discussion to better your child's mental health. Healthy Family Dinner: 5:00-6:15 p.m. in the cafeteria. There will also be free workshops and learning from 6:00-7:45 p.m. in the library.

RSVP and pre-order dinner until 5:00 p.m. on January 16 (Kimberley Families School Cash Online). Any Beaches families that would like to pre-order dinner, please contact ruweida.hassan-bismilla@tdsb.on.ca. If you don't pre-order, take a chance and see what is available the day of the event. Bring cash for (not preordered) dinner, pay-what-you-can coffee and to purchase Margot's book or a pink shirt.

FEBRUARY DAYS TO REMEMBER

February 3	Kimberley Pizza Lunch	
February 7	Beaches 1/2 to Glen Stewart Ravine	
February 9	Kimberley Gr. 4-6 Ski trip (more info to follow)	
February 14	Term 1 Report Cards Go Home	
February 15	Beaches 3/4 to Glen Stewart Ravine	
February 15	Kimberley Pizza Lunch	
February 16	Beaches Steering Committee Meeting	
February 17	PA Day (No School)	
February 20	Family Day (No School)	
February 22	Beaches Pizza Lunch	
February 22	Kimberley School Council Meeting	
February 23	Beaches General Meeting	
February 27-March 2	Dental Screening for JK, SK and Grade 2 students (more info to follow)	

TDSB HERITAGE AND HISTORY MONTHS

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	JANUARY	
Somali Heritage Islamic Heritage	Hindu Heritage	Tamil Heritage	
FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	
African Heritage Chinese Heritage	Greek Heritage	Hispanic Heritage Latin-American History Sikh Heritage	
MAY	JUNE		
Asian Heritage Jewish Heritage	National Indigenous History Italian Heritage Portuguese-Speaking Heritage Pride Month	<u>https://www.tdsb.on.ca</u> / <u>Community/How-to-</u> <u>Get-Involved/Heritage-</u> <u>and-History-Months</u>	

The TDSB recognizes a number of heritage and history months during the school year. We have families that celebrate not only those identified above but other Heritages as well, if you would like to share artifacts, information or read a story to classes we would love to have you come in. Please email me at <u>ruweida.hassan-bismilla@tdsb.on.ca</u> or contact the class teacher.

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M	ONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
WINTER BREAK See you back at school on January 9, 2023.							
q	Day 5	10 Day I	I Day 2	l2 Day 3	13		
		Toy Raffle Draw (A.M.)	Beaches 3/4 Nature Morning		REMINDER NO SCHOOL		
16	Day 4	17 Day 5 Beaches 1/2	18 Day I Kimberley Pizza Lunch Beaches Information Night Beaches Skating @ Ted Reeve	IG Day 2 Beaches Steering Committee Meeting Beaches 3/4 @ Pioneer Village Kimberley & Beaches Healthy Family Night	20 Day 3 Beaches Kindie Nature Morning		
23	Day 4	24 Day 5	25 Dayl	26 Day 2	27 Day 3		
		Kimberley School Council Meeting	Beaches Pizza Lunch	Beaches General Meeting	Beaches 5/6 Nature Morning		
		Beaches Cafe	Beaches Skating @ Ted Reeve	Beaches Kindie & 1/2 @ Variety Village	Beaches Family Friday		
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