

# KIMBERLEY JR P.S. SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR KIMBERLEY FAMILIES

MAY 2023

## **BUSY WORLD, BUSY KIMBERLEY COMMUNITY**

Do you remember those Busy World books by Richard Scarry? Maybe your kids are young enough that you still read them from time to time. If so, you'll know that everyone always had something to do and somewhere to be. Most of the time, they were in a rush to get there. That's kind of how this time of year feels: busy, busy, busy. As the end of the school year and the start of summer approach, many of us are planning for end-of-year celebrations (recitals, graduations, and teachers and staff thank yous) and double checking every summer week has been accounted for properly (*I signed them up for that camp three months ago, right?!?*). Here at Kimberley School Council, we're no different. In fact, we always hold some of our biggest events during the next two months. Please have a look at our important dates, mark them in your calendar and join us! As always, follow us on Twitter at @kjps\_council for more updates and email feedback to kimberleyjpscouncil@gmail.com.















## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Kimberley is running a food drive for the month of May to benefit the local Grace Pascoe Food Bank at Calvary Baptist Church (south of the school on Main St). Donations can be dropped off in the foyer at any time.



Jr. Track and Field Day • May 5 TOMORROW!

Kimberley-BAS Movie Night • May 5 TOMORROW!

Yard Clean Up Day • May 6 @ 2 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair • May 9-12 @ 3:15 p.m. daily

Pizza Lunch • May 24

Boys Softball Tournament • May 24

Spring Concert for Grades 4-6 • May 25 @ 6:30 p.m.

Grades 5&6 Field Trip to High Park • May 29

Kimberley-BAS Fun Fair • June 1 @ 5-7 p.m.

P.A. Day • June 2

Kimberley School Council Meeting • June 6

Kindergarden Concert • June 16

Grade 6 Graduation • June 22 (afternoon)

Kimberley-BAS Parents' Night Out • Saturday, June 24 @ 7-10 p.m.

### KIMBERELY-BAS FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



# Friday, May 5 Doors: 6:00 p.m. Movie: 6:30 p.m.

Kimberley and Beaches Alternative are getting together to host one epic, end-of-year Movie Night. For our last movie night of the year, we'll be screening the classic Disney-Pixar collab *Wall-E* and have some special treats in store for you:

- More snack options, including chips, pop and perrier
- An MC with friendly audience competitions to keep kids entertained before the movie starts (prizes for dancing, Disney attire and telling a funny joke)
- Glow-in-the-dark tattoos for everyone
- Disney-themed photo booth with free stickers
- Lots of 50/50 tickets to purchase
- Parent "lounge" (read: table in the hall with a deck of cards. Euchre anyone?)
- A quiet room for anyone who needs a break (adult accompanied, of course)
- Plus, we're selling tickets to our Parent's Night Out! (Save the date June 24)

A few other details you should know: admission is free, all children must be with an adult and everything is cash only so hit up the ATM before you come (prices listed on the right). Looking forward to seeing you all there!

We want to thank the Kimberley community for making these movie nights such a success. You never cease to amaze us at how you consistently show up and pitch in to make the night fun for everyone. Thank you!





FRIDAY, MAY 5 | DOORS: 6:00 | MOVIE: 6:30



BROUGHT A REUSABLE BOTTLE? HELP YOURSELF TO THE WATER JUG!

KIMBERLEY-BEACHES ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL COUNCILS

50/50 RAFFLE



WINNER ANNOUNCED BEFORE START OF MOVIE

KIMBERLEYSC.COM

## KIMBERLEY-BEACHES FUN FAIR



Kimberley-Beaches Fun Fair Thursday, June 1, 2023 Time: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

An evening of laughter, huge smiles, community building, fun games, amazing food, fresh air and watching your kid(s) run around making memories with their friends. Basically, it's what childhood is all about. Stay for dinner and eat lots of different types of foods. You'll have a blast!

Here are just a few highlights of what we have planned: inflatables, tombola, a cake walk, balloon animals, face painting and bracelet making, Pawsitively Pets "petting zoo" and, of course, lots of delicious food!

It takes a lot of help to make this night a success. We are looking for around 40 people to help out on the evening of the Fun Fair (e.g., to help run an activity, sell tickets, etc.). You won't be required to volunteer for the whole evening, just for a portion so you can still enjoy the fair with your kiddos, too! If you're interested, email kimberleyjpscouncil@gmail.com with the subject line "Fun Fair Volunteer" and we'll add you to the volunteer list and future communications.

## KIMBERLEY-BEACHES PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Parents' Night Out Saturday, June 24, 2023 Time: 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Book the babysitter! Parents' Night Out returns. We'll convene at the Royal Canadian Legion at 243 Coxwell Ave. and Gerrard. Tickets are \$20/person and include appetizers (and also cover the cost for venue, prizes and decor). There will be a cash bar, silent auction, 50/50 raffle, a game (trivia or musical bingo) with prizes, music and... dancing? Who knows? We'll see where the night takes us! Tickets will be sold at movie night tomorrow and we'll be sure to sell them at other accessible days/times. Introverts unit as we mingle, get to know other parents in our community, and let loose. Let's be honest, we all just need a break.





## WELCOME TO OUR CLASSROOM



Every issue we take a look inside a Kimberley classroom. This month, we're spotlighting the Eco Club.

During the month of April, Eco Club planned an exciting series of events in celebration of Earth Week. The club planned several activities aimed at promoting environmental awareness and sustainability. On Planting Day, students had the opportunity to get their hands dirty and plant their own seeds. The Outdoor Litterless Picnic Lunch encouraged students to pack their lunches in reusable containers and enjoy a meal outdoors with friends while reducing waste. The Used Book Exchange provided students with a chance to trade in their old books for new ones, reducing waste and promoting literacy. We are thrilled to see the Eco Club taking such a proactive approach to promoting sustainability in our school.



Did you know you can support school council activities just by <u>shopping through</u>
<u>FlipGive</u>? Buy gift cards or shop online at popular retailers such as Sport Chek,
Canadian Tire, Starbucks and more using our unique code: BCTC9Z

#### **NEWS FROM THE TDSB**





**Student Census** - The <u>TDSB Student Census</u> is an opportunity for students to share their voice and provide valuable information to help improve our schools and system. Based on opt-out and consent information, all Census surveys have been sent to students or families. JK to Grade 3 families and Grade 4 to 8 families (completing the Census at home), please check your email for TDSBStudentCensus@qemailserver.com. For more information, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/census and read the <u>Questions and Answers</u>.

**Budget Survey Results** – Following a Board of Trustees motion, the TDSB issued a budget survey to all parents/guardians/caregivers to gauge their opinions on the impacts of the pandemic. Completed by nearly 18,000 TDSB parents/guardians/caregivers, survey results showed that 7 in 10 believe the impacts of the pandemic are still being felt by their children, 86% believe that pandemic funding should continue, and 90% believe that the Ministry should fully or partially cover pandemic costs. Learn more about: <a href="mailto:survey results">survey results</a>, <a href="budget process">budget process</a> and <a href="mailto:ongoing advocacy">ongoing advocacy</a>.

**Asian Heritage Month** – The TDSB is proud to celebrate the numerous achievements of Asian-Canadians during Asian Heritage Month. This year our theme is Joining Our Table: Celebrating Asian Canadians. <u>Learn more</u>.

**Jewish Heritage Month** – This year marks the 90th anniversary of the Christie Pits riot that took place in Toronto in August 1933. To commemorate this moment in history, the TDSB's Jewish Heritage Committee in collaboration with the Italian Heritage Committee are offering TDSB students a chance to learn about the largest race riot in Canadian history. <u>Learn more</u>.

**Conversation Series Presents Dr. Angel Acosta** - Join us on Thursday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. for the next conversation series featuring Dr. Angel Acosta, a healing-centered educator who will take us on a journey Towards an Archaeology of Self: Healing & Racial Literacy Development. Please <u>register in advance</u>. You will then receive an email containing information about joining the webinar. For further information, email PCEO@tdsb.on.ca.

Summer International Languages Elementary (ILE) & African Heritage (AH) Program - ILE Summer Program combines language & culture learning with engaging activities like games, songs, dance, storytelling, and writing. No language background knowledge is necessary. Afternoon cultural programs, run by community groups, are also available at a number of sites. AH Summer Program connects students to the contributions, histories, legacies, cultures and traditions of people of African descent through inquiry and experiential learning. Learn more and register.

**Save the Date: Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference** – Join us on Saturday, October 21 and Sunday, October 22, 2023 for the in-person and virtual conference: Joy in the Journey of Learning. Learn more at <a href="https://www.parentsaspartners.ca">www.parentsaspartners.ca</a>.