



KALEIDOSCOPE

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

April 2017

Education Week - "We Inspire Hope"

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How fitting that this year's Education Week theme is We Inspire Hope! Throughout this school year, many of our students have modelled this theme by helping others in need. Through fundraisers we have done like Relief Kits for Refugees (*please see the picture of Anjalee and Priya S. as they deliver 28 relief kits created through donations from Kenollie students and families*), Candy Gram and Rainbow loom sales for the Children's Wish Foundation, and the many positive daily interactions we have with each other at the school, we help each other. Through our kindness and character, we are inspiring hope in others and this truly helps to make Kenollie a wonderful place to work and learn!



As we move into Spring, this is our time to celebrate and recognize the amazing work that our students, staff and parents have engaged in throughout the school year. We look forward to opening our doors and welcoming everyone into our school throughout the upcoming months as we engage in a variety of activities. For example, starting next week we are holding our annual Talent Showcase during lunch hours daily from 12:15—1:15 pm and everyone is invited! Here are a few other school events that we hope you can join us for:

- **April 13th** – Cawthra Park Dancers Perform (11:15 am)
- **April 19th** – Speech Competition (1:15 pm)
- **April 21st** – Edith Tankus Performs – Hurricane Gerty (9:30 am)
- **April 21st** – Earth Day Activities and Tree Planting Ceremony (1:30 pm)
- **April 24th** – Wheelchair Basketball Canada Presentation (9:00 am)
- **May 3rd** - Spring Concert Celebration 150 (9:30 am & 1:30 pm)
- **May 4th** – Movie Night (Movie tbd) Popcorn and Juice on sale – money raised to support the Adopt an Athlete – 2017 Special Olympics Ontario Provincial Summer Games
- **May 5th** – Math-tastic Open House (please see below for more specific details of this great event)

Math-tastic Open House

Our goal with the **Math-tastic** Open House is to share with parents and guardians the work we have been doing as we prepare students for the 21st Century. One of the principles of Modern Learning is encouraging students to showcase and discuss their work and learning with others. We want to share with you instructional strategies we use for subjects like Mathematics and Science and show you how assessment can be used as part of the learning process, not just the result. Our students are going to be front and centre throughout the morning as they lead parents through various activities. Here is what it will look like when you come on May 5th:

10:00 am – Students and their families meet in the gym for a key note address and hands-on activity (students and parents working together) led by Mary Fiore – Instructional Coordinator of Mathematical Literacy (PDSB)

10:40 am – Parents receive their "Passport" and begin to visit the different events within the school:

- Visit your child's classroom to participate in a math game or lesson or watch a presentation
- Visit the Library Learning Commons to learn about coding (Student leaders will showcase the great work they have done), take a Green Screen photo with your child and edit it before you leave, and other technology activities
- Visit the French Room to learn more about our Modern Learning extra-curricular activities (Solar Car, Peel Skills, First Lego League)
- Tour the hallways for displays of Math activities done by students

We know that it is going to be a great morning open house with refreshments and prizes! Please be sure to mark this date on your calendar and come to Kenollie to help us celebrate! Your participation will make the morning a great success and having a chance to see your child learning/teaching/leading others will provide you with a better understanding of 21st Century Modern Learning! I am looking forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely, Jennifer El Refaie, Proud Principal of Kenollie Public School

BE ALL YOU CAN BE

- April 3 Sub Day
Mad Science (final) 12:15 pm
Volleyball Practice 12:35 pm
- April 4 Spirit Team 10:40 am
Lunch Moms
Gr.1-6 Social Media Presentation 1:30 pm
Volleyball Practice 3:35 pm
- April 5 K-2 InspirED Arts, Drum, Dance & Discover
Pita Pit
Speech Club 12:35 pm
Little Jammers Guitar (final) 12:35 pm
Skipping Gr.3-5 only 12:35 pm
- April 6 Gr.1 Scientists in School
Spirit Team 10:40 am
Lunch Moms
Chess (final) 12:15 pm
Gr. 2 & 3 Basketball 3:30 pm
Art for Kids (final) 3:30 pm
- April 7 Jr. Volleyball Tournament
Skipping Gr.6 only 12:35 pm
Beading Buds (final) 12:35 pm
- April 10 Day of Pink
Sub Day
Talent Showcase 12:15 pm
- April 11 Spirit Team 10:40 am
Lunch Moms
Kinder Science 12:15 pm
Talent Showcase 12:15 pm
Hatch Coding 3:30 pm
- April 12 Spirit Day: Copy Cat—Twin/Triplet Day!
Gr.2 (Stoyanova) Scientists in School
Pita Pit
Talent Showcase 12:15 pm
Skipping Gr.3-5 only 12:35 pm
- April 13 Gr. 5 & 6 QE Tour
Spirit Team 10:40 am
Cawthra Park Dancers 11:15 am
Lunch Moms
Talent Showcase 12:15 pm
Kickbox Kidz 12:35 pm
Gr. 2 & 3 Basketball 3:30 pm
Art for Kids 3:30 pm
- April 14 Good Friday Holiday - School Closed
- April 17 Easter Monday Holiday - School Closed
- April 18 Spirit Team 10:40 am
Kinder Science 12:15 pm
Lunch Moms
Skipping 12:35 pm
Hatch Coding 3:30 pm
- April 19 Pita Pit
Speech Competition 1:30 pm
- April 20 Lunch Moms
Kickbox Kidz 12:35 pm
Gr. 2 & 3 Basketball 3:30 pm
Art for Kids 3:30 pm
- April 21 Prologue Performance 9:30 am
Open House
Earth Day Activities
- April 24 Junior Special Invite 9:00 am
Sub Day
School Council Meeting 7:00 pm
- April 25 Spirit Team 10:40 am
Lunch Moms
Kinder Science 12:15 pm
Hatch Coding 3:30 pm
QE Parent Info Evening 6:30 pm
- April 26 Pita Pit
- April 27 Spirit Team 10:40 am
Lunch Moms
Kickbox Kidz 12:35 pm
Gr. 2 & 3 Basketball 3:30 pm
Art for Kids 3:30 pm
- April 28 Scorch Assembly 9:15 am
Primary Special Invite 10:30 am
Pizza Day
Skipping 12:35 pm

Kenollie PS goes PINK on April 10th!

Day of Pink, the international day to celebrate diversity and inclusion to work towards ending homophobia, transphobia and all forms of bullying and discrimination, falls on the second Wednesday of April each year. In order to give all of our students an opportunity to be part of this important inclusion activity, the **Peel District School Board schools will recognize Day of Pink on April 10 this year.**

“Equity and inclusion is something that all Peel schools teach throughout the year and discuss with students daily—it is embedded in everything we do,” says Tony Pontes, director of education. “*Day of Pink* is just one more way for us to ensure students and staff learn, work and develop in environments that are safe, equitable, inclusive, respectful and nurturing for all.”

Day of Pink began when a high school student in Cambridge, Nova Scotia, was bullied with homophobic language because he wore a pink shirt to school. The next day, hundreds of students at his school stood up to bullying and wore pink to school to show their support for equity and inclusion.

Celebrate Administrative Professionals' Day Wednesday, April 26, 2017

Peel schools will pay tribute to administrative professionals on Administrative Professionals' Day on April 26, 2017. The day will be celebrated with special activities and events that provide teachers, students and parents an opportunity to thank the administrative staff who help support student success each and every day.

The Peel board appreciates the important job administrative staff do each school day and April 26 provides an opportunity to give these individuals the recognition they deserve.

EQAO Assessment

The Primary (Grade 3) and Junior (Grade 6) EQAO provincial assessments will be completed in the mornings on these dates:

May 23	May 29
May 24	May 30
May 25	May 31

Attendance is very important. Please try to schedule appointments and holidays for another time.

Dads' BBQ Wednesday, June 7 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.

*Mark Wednesday, June 7th on your calendar
for the Dads' BBQ!*

In 1983, the Kenollie Community set out to build a playground for students. The first fundraiser was known as the "Community BBQ". Over time and due to the fathers who co-ordinate the event it came to be known as the Dads' BBQ. Once again this year's event aims to raise funds to benefit our kids and our community.

Thank You! The support over the recent years has been tremendous in raising the funds for the new playground equipment and improving the learning environment at KPS, as well as solidifying the Dads' BBQ as a great community event. This year the 35th Dads' BBQ will be directing the proceeds towards the outdoor learning space, planting more trees, as well as further improvements to the soccer field and the playground.

We know that your children will be looking forward to this fun event and are excited to see your involvement.

Please contact the Dads' BBQ Committee at kenolliedadsbbq@gmail.com to let us know if you're interested in helping out. Also, if you have any interesting items to donate to the silent auction we'd love to hear from you.

The Dads' BBQ planning sessions will begin at the end of March, please come out and join us! Again, thanks to everyone for their time and support! We are proud and thankful of all the fathers who volunteer at the BBQ and all of the families that come out to support us!

**Looking forward to seeing you on
Wednesday June 7, 2017, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m.**



Where in the World has Scorch been?

Scorch has been travelling! Thank you for sending us your pics!

When travelling, please remember to take along your Scorch t-shirt and photograph your children wearing them some place really neat! Send your pictures to Mrs. Morrison to have them featured in our next newsletter!

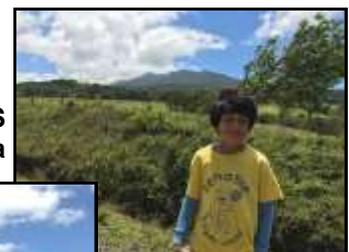


**James & Lily M
Australia**



**Jaelyn M
Ellicottville, NY**

**Jai & Tara S
Costa Rica**





Earth Month

Earth Month encompasses the international celebration of Earth Day on April 22, 2017. This is the most celebrated environmental event worldwide. Initiated in 1970, this event has been considered the birth of the environmental movement.

Each year, more than 6 million Canadians join 500 million people in over 180 countries in staging events and projects to address local environmental issues. In Canada, Earth Day has grown into Earth Week and even Earth Month to accommodate the profusion of events and projects. Here are some ways that you can celebrate earth week with your family:

- create a backyard or schoolyard habitat
- plant a garden or tree
- start a recycling program at home
- organize a carpooling campaign in your neighbourhood to reduce air pollution
- pick up trash in your neighbourhood
- read a book about an endangered species
- make a visit to your local zoo, aquarium or museum
- visit a local park, wildlife area or farm to provide a fun opportunity to learn about the environment and life

Help us to encourage and enhance parent involvement in Peel

Apply for a position on the board's Parent Involvement Committee

The Peel board's Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) meets regularly throughout the school year to review the board's plans for parent involvement as they relate to parent, family and community engagement, and to make suggestions to schools, councils and the board regarding additional parent outreach.

As mandated by the ministry, the purpose of Peel board's PIC is to:

- support, encourage, and enhance meaningful parental involvement within schools and across the district, including, outreach to parents who find involvement more challenging
- work collaboratively with the school board to support student success
- seek out the advice and ideas of school councils, and other parents and partners as they plan and implement strategies to involve more parents at the regional level
- develop strategies for enhancing parental engagement and outreach

Parent application packages will be made available on April 10, 2017 at www.peelschools.org/PIC. The deadline to submit an application is **May 1, 2017**.

Register Today for Adult ESL or LINC Classes

Do you know an adult that is interested in improving their English language skills for work, study or daily life?

Through the Continuing & Adult Education department, the Peel District School Board offers a wide variety of English language classes that help parents experience success in Canadian English in both listening/speaking and reading/writing. Courses are designed for a range of basic, intermediate and advanced English (Levels 1 to 7) as well as the more experienced learner needing to prepare for an IELTS exam.

Classes are ongoing—register anytime.

All learners that complete a session will earn a certificate of learning from the Peel District School Board.

Classes operate from six locations in Brampton and Mississauga with three specially designed adult centres at:

Bramalea

Adult Education Centre, 25 Kings Cross Rd., Unit 3

Brampton

Adult Education Centre, #300 - 700 Hurontario St.

Mississauga

Adult Education Centre, 100 Elm Drive W., Room 117

To learn more or to register, call **905-270-6000**. Also visit www.peelschools.org/adulteducation or follow us on Twitter: @PDSBLearnESL

Health & Physical Education Curriculum supports the physical, emotional and social well-being of students

The Peel District School Board implemented the Ministry of Education's revised Health and Physical Education (HPE) curriculum in the 2015-16 school year. The curriculum is divided into four elements that work together to support the physical, emotional and social well-being of students:

- active living
- movement competence
- living skills
- healthy living

Peel staff will again teach the human development and sexual health component to students, beginning spring 2017. This provides time for teachers to develop strong relationships with their students prior to this phase.

Advance notice letters will be sent home with students two weeks prior to the human development/sexual health lessons. Families can submit religious accommodation requests at any time prior to the lesson by contacting the school directly.

To get more information on how the HPE curriculum will be taught, please visit our website at www.peelschools.org/HPE.

Keeping Children Safe in and Around Storm Sewers, Waterways

Rising and fast moving water in lakes, ponds and creeks is increasingly likely during spring. Children playing in and around storm sewers and watercourses, entering storm sewers through the outfalls, and entering storm sewers through access covers is dangerous. The following information will help keep children safe:

- water flows in storm sewers and watercourses are unpredictable and may change quickly
- toxic gases may be present in and around storm sewers and watercourses
- access is restricted, making rescue attempts are difficult
- tragic falls could take place

Please review this information with your children and let them know how dangerous storms sewers and waterways are.

Parent resources help you support your child's learning

At the Peel District School Board, our mission is to inspire success, confidence and hope in each child. There is no doubt that families play a vital role in helping us achieve this goal. As our partner in education, we hope you'll stay connected to your child's learning throughout his or her entire school experience.

Visit www.peelschools.org/parents/helpyourchild to explore all resources available to parents.

There you will find easy-to-navigate buttons that connect families to tip sheets and web pages on a number of different topics, including math, homework, special education, EQAO and mental health.

The screenshot shows the Peel District School Board website's parent resources page. The header includes the Peel logo, the name 'District School Board', and navigation links for various languages: ਪੰਜਾਬੀ, اردو, हिन्दी, தமிழ், العربية, and ગુજરાતી. Below the header is a navigation menu with options like 'About Us', 'Calendar', 'Schools', 'Staff', 'Continuing & Adult Education', 'Jobs', 'Media', 'Contact Us', 'Parents', 'Students', 'New to Peel', and 'Trustees'. The main content area is a grid of resource tiles. On the left, there is a 'Parents' sidebar with a list of links including 'Child Care', 'Cold Weather Guidelines', 'EQAO', 'Get Involved', 'Help Your Child', 'Kindergarten Registration', 'Making My Way', 'Parent Numeracy Conference', 'Parenting Centres', 'ParentWeb Programs', 'Register Your Child', 'School Councils', 'Special Education', 'Student Insurance', 'Subscribe', and 'Transportation MyClass'. The main grid contains tiles for: 'Tip Sheets', 'Understanding the School System', 'Math Help', 'Homework Help', 'FACTS Fact Sheets', 'French Immersion (BONJOUR)', 'EQAO', 'Curriculum', 'Special Education', 'Science', 'Mental Health', 'Programs', 'BYOD', 'Back to School', 'Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting (SUCCESS)', and 'Graduation Requirements'. On the right side, there are 'Quick Links' (Contact Us, Ministry of Education, School Councils, Children's Mental Health Ontario, Board Policies, CanLearn), 'MyClass', 'Find Your School', 'Subscribe', 'Student Transportation of Peel Region', and 'Parent Web'.