



**The Valleys Senior Public School  
School Council Meeting  
Thursday, April 18, 2013  
6:30 – 7:30 pm**



**Welcome**

**Sign in for new members**

**School Council Rationale**

Student success is the main focus of effective schools  
Partnership between families, school and community  
vital to that success  
Council is voice and representation of the community  
Role is advisory to administration

**\*\*\* Discussions center around whole school versus individual student concerns \*\*\***

**Welcome back to Angie Olanrewaju, our MSEP worker**

**P/VP Update:**

Education Week April 15 – 19 – Library Activities  
Earth Week April 22 – 26 – Many classes signed up for yard cleanup  
Month End Assemblies – invitations to parents are well received  
May 13 PD Guest Speaker Dr. Edmond Dixon  
Gr. 5 Feeder School Visits – May 15 for students, May 16 at 6pm for Parents  
Forest of Reading – May 24 celebration at 1 pm  
Blue Jay Game – May 28 10:30am – 5:30pm  
EQAO – June 3 – 6  
Graduation – June 25 9:05 am – casual/dressy  
I Read Posters

**Other Business:**

Parent Engagement at The Valleys

How can we engage our parent community?

- School Website - get parents to visit this – calendar is especially helpful
- Gr. 5 Parent Information Evening – Time to talk to the parents during the presentation and to show them the school website
- Challenge a current member to bring a parent to a meeting
- School Council meetings held during the day and at night
- Hold meetings prior to any special evening performances/activities
- Newsletter could include topics of upcoming school council meetings
- Flyer at the Community Centre for school council
- Email/Phone (Synrevoice) reminders
- September Open House – booth setup – information sheet, and collect information on how parents would prefer to be contacted about school council (i.e. phone, email)