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Ellwood Memorial provides a rich, diverse, caring and supportive environment that challenges students to develop character as lifelong learners. We pursue excellence, a strong work ethic, mutual respect and community responsibility that enable all students to achieve their personal best.

PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

It seems as though the warmer weather may finally be upon us. During our outstanding primary concert last month, it seemed as though the flowers would never bloom, but here they are. With the mixture of rain and sun, it is important that children have both indoor and outdoor shoes of some variety during this muddy time of year. May will be a busy month at Ellwood with our Swim to Survive program and EQAO for the grade 3s as well as many outstanding trips for all grades. For our grade 5’s there will also be visits both to and from Allan Drive for our graduating grade 5s. Please be sure to set aside Thursday, June 6th, the date of our Annual Community BBQ. This event is always so much fun and a great way to celebrate the year. Please also put our Grade 5 and Kindergarten graduations on the calendar. The Grade 5 Graduation will be on the 20th of June at 10:00 am and the Kindergartens will have their celebration on the 21st at 9:30am.

With the warmer weather now arriving, it is also important to keep our children hydrated and protected from the sun. We strongly encourage the use of sunscreen and a hat for outdoor play. Feel free to lather up before coming to school and send some extra in the backpack for children to apply throughout the day.

UPCOMING DATES

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In December 2001, the Senate adopted a motion proposed by Senator Vivienne Poy to officially designate May as Asian Heritage Month in Canada. In May 2002, the Government of Canada signed an official declaration to designate May as Asian Heritage Month.

Throughout May, students, staff and parents at Ellwood and across Peel will participate in a number of activities that promote the understanding of the many contributions made by Asian Canadians.

At Ellwood we will hold our Asian Heritage Assembly on June 3rd.

**CELEBRATE ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH**

**ANNUAL BBQ AND BASKET RAFFLE**

Once again we will hold a basket raffle at the June BBQ. Money raised this year will go directly towards the creation of an outdoor classroom for Ellwood! The collection of items for this year's event will begin soon. Tickets for the draws will be sold from June 3th to June 6th. Families can purchase tickets during the BBQ as well. The draw for each basket will be held at 7pm on June 6th. **Good luck!**

Go back to the start of the Ellwood Eagle.
The Me to We Club at Ellwood Memorial is very excited to begin our campaign to support a global cause. We will be selling Rafikis (a beaded bracelet) in order to support the **Opportunity Pillar** in Kenya. In Swahili, the word for friend is Rafiki. These beautiful bracelets are all handmade by women honouring traditions and empowering them to earn a sustainable income. We will be selling Rafikis to the Ellwood Memorial School community from May 6th-10th. We will be accepting **cash payments only**.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Caruk or Mme Baldessara.
Congratulations to our Eagle of the Month winners for the month of April. These students have stood out in terms of the character attributes by setting positive examples and showing a growth mindset.

**Kindergarten**
- Alex
- Lucas
- Maryam
- Kate
- Oliver
- Neveah
- Allison
- Everett
- Katherine
- Emilie

**Grade 1**
- Joseph
- Emmett
- Gabriella
- Hudson
- Elle
- Sophia

**Grade 2**
- Aleigha
- Armin
- Julian
- Maiya

**Grade 3**
- Jonathan
- Michael
- Nikolas
- Liam
- Alexia
- Binelli

**Grade 4**
- Maria
- Harleen
- Quinn
- Jayden
- Roxana

**Grade 5**
- Gurpinder
- Connor
- Cash
- Jadon
- Daniel
- Noah
- Andy

**French**
- Anthony
- Julianna

**Music**
- Ava
- Erin
- Savannah
- Sofia
- Lindsay

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Celebrate Peel IT Support Staff and Media Support Staff

This year, the Peel District School Board will recognize the contributions of its IT support staff and media support services on May 15, 2019. The Peel board appreciates the important work of these individuals to ensure that innovative, reliable and adaptable solutions are available to support student success through equitable access to technology. We thank them for providing quality service and for supporting students and staff every day.

What is an IEP?

Education is full of acronyms and IEP is one of many that a parent/guardian of a child receiving special education support will encounter.

An IEP is an Individual Education Plan. Developed at the beginning of the school year, it lays out the accommodations and modifications to the regular curriculum that help your child learn and be successful. No formal identification is needed but you, the parent/guardian should be involved in the development as you provide valuable input. It can be overwhelming so there are pamphlets, webpages, and Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) representatives who can help you understand and make informed contributions.

For more information, please visit www.peelschools.org/parents/specialed/iep

Police Appreciation Week

The Peel District School Board will pay tribute to police officers by holding Police Appreciation Week from May 13 to 17, 2019. Peel students and staff will show their appreciation for the tremendous job being done by police to protect schools, homes and communities. Police Appreciation Week coincides with National Police Week. National Police Week pays tribute to the work of police officers across Canada.

During this week, students, staff and parents in schools throughout Brampton, Caledon and Mississauga will honour the work of police officers and thank them for enhancing public safety and security.
Using Social Media Safely

With the growing number of social media sites, it is no surprise that social media is the most common form of communication for children and teenagers. Posts, status updates, comments, instant messages, video uploads, tweets and texts have become a regular part of their lives. While there are many positive benefits to using social media, including staying connected with friends and expressing your interests, students must be cautious in their use of these networks.

Among the most popular social media platforms used are Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, YouTube and Whatsapp Messenger. Many of these platforms are free and are available on smartphones and other electronic devices. These platforms are easy to navigate and often allow information to be shared instantly, not only with friends, but with strangers. On social media, it is important to remember that the world is watching.

Here are some tips, provided by the Canadian Safe School Network and GetSafeOnline.org, to keep your children safe and help them make smart choices when using social media:

- Set some boundaries for your child before they get their first ‘connected device’ (mobile, tablet, laptop or games console). Once they have it, it can be more difficult to change the way they use it or the settings.
- Have a conversation about what is appropriate online behaviour and what actions could have huge repercussions that could damage their reputation and be harmful to others.
- Talk to your child about the kind of websites they look at. Encourage them to speak to you if they come across something they find worrying or upsetting on websites, games or social media.
- Discuss with your child what is safe and appropriate to post and share online. Written comments, photos and videos all form part of their ‘digital footprint’ and could be seen by anyone and available on the internet forever, even if it is subsequently deleted.
- Explain to your child that being online doesn't give them anonymity or protection, and that they shouldn't do anything online that they wouldn't do face-to-face. Users should only accept people they know in order to protect themselves from spammers, strangers and others who may be using social networking sites to commit crimes.
- Unlike when they're meeting someone face-to-face, children don't always know who they're actually 'talking' to online, even if they think they do. Tell your children they must never email, chat, or text with strangers, and it's never okay to meet a stranger in the real world.
- Ensure your children set their privacy settings appropriately. Take the time to learn how privacy settings work on your children's favourite sites, and teach them how to control their privacy.
- Tell your children never to share personal and private information with anyone online. This includes, but is not limited to, his or her full name, age, birth date, address, phone number, social insurance number, credit card information and parents' full names.
- Limit the amount of time that your children spend on social media platforms and talk about the importance of healthy and appropriate use of technology.
Register today for Adult ESL or LINC classes

Do you know an adult who 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 adult learners 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 8) as well as the more experienced learner needing to prepare for an IELTS exam.

**Classes are ongoing - Register anytime.**

All learners who complete a session will earn a certificate of learning from the Peel District School Board. Certificates of completion at Canadian Language Benchmark level 4 and greater can be submitted as proof of language proficiency for Canadian Citizenship applications.

Classes operate from six locations in Brampton and Mississauga with three specially designed adult centres at:
- **Bramalea** - Adult Education Centre – Bramalea Secondary School, 510 Balmoral Dr, Brampton, Door #33
- **Brampton** - Adult Education Centre - #300 - 7700 Hurontario Street, Brampton
- **Mississauga** - Adult Education Centre - 100 Elm Drive West, Mississauga, Room 117

To learn more or to register, call **905-270-6000, then press 2**

Also visit [www.peelschools.org/adulteducation](http://www.peelschools.org/adulteducation) or follow us on Twitter: [@PDSBLearnESL](http://twitter.com/PDSBLearnESL)
We Welcome the World Centres

The Peel District School Board’s We Welcome the World Centres located in Brampton, Malton and Mississauga, are the first point of contact for all newcomer families to become familiar with the educational system in Peel. The centres are open all year—including the summer months—from Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to providing literacy and numeracy assessments, the We Welcome the World Centres provide newcomers with a host of services including: reception, orientation, interpretation and referrals.

At each centre, parents/guardians and students will discover:

• settlement service information
• age and grade appropriate educational and related program resources
• information about various community supports
• translation of materials to support the reception and assessment process
• computer portals—providing information on Peel resources

For more information about the We Welcome the World Centre and the services they provide, call 905-366-8791.
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