



École Sir William Osler May 2023 Newsletter



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ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

April showers (and flurries) bring May flowers (we hope!) and we look forward to watching your children's learning grow and bloom as we head into the final months of this school year. It is amazing how quickly the time goes by and these next two months will definitely be a whirlwind of learning and activities.

Our Greenspace Committee continues to be hard at work! Thank you so much for your passion and dedication to our school. The Greenspace Committee is working with the division and the architect firm to continue developing our schoolyard. Our Glenlea plant fundraiser was a success again this year! Thank you for supporting the greenspace enhancements. Plant pick up is on Monday, May 15.

The Parent Advisory Council is starting to put together plans for the year-end community picnic. The simplicity or complexity of the picnic is fully dependent on the number of volunteers that are willing to help plan and support the picnic. There will be more information coming out. If you are interested in volunteering in some capacity, please contact the parent council at [parent council](#).

The staffing process is just beginning, but we already know of a few changes coming next year. I would like to congratulate Mr. Walter on his retirement! His last day is June 2. He will definitely be missed by everyone! We have been extremely lucky to have a custodian like Mr. Walter who connects with all the students, staff, families and visitors and goes above and beyond for the well-being of the school. We are also wishing Mme Kerrie Reid all the best on her next adventure. Mme Reid had taught for eight years in Macau and is returning to an international school in Beijing to share her passion and knowledge there. We have been very

lucky to have her here with us the last four years. Her dedication, passion for learning, and calm nature will be greatly missed. Finally, we will have to say goodbye to Mme Grace. She has been with us for just a short term, but made a very positive connection with all the students and staff. We wish all of them the very best on their next adventures!

As we begin to plan for next year, we are compiling information to use in the class formation process. Great care and consideration goes into the make-up of all classrooms in consultation with our classroom teachers. Our classroom teachers know the students well and have school-based knowledge about the following criteria: class size, social dynamics, academics, friendships and parent information. We rely on the professional judgements of our teachers to assist us with the process of determining class makeup for the 2023-2024 school year. The classroom placement information will be part of the final report card, which will be sent home on June 26. The final decision on student placement will be made by school administration, based on the best interests of all our students.

We continue to accept registrations for the 2023-2024 school year for nursery - grade 6. Children who will be 4 years of age by December 31, 2023 are eligible for the Nursery Program.

Children who will be 5 years of age by December 31, 2023 are eligible for the Kindergarten Program.

Mme Ostermann



Important Dates for the 2022-2023 School Year

All Dates Subject to Change

- Jun. 1 - Rooms 1, 2 & 3 to Division Pow Wow
- Jun. 14 - Room 2 to Mariash Quarry
- Jun. 15 - Room 9 AM & PM to Deer Meadow Farm (ALL DAY FIELD TRIP)
- Jun. 16 - No Classes for Room 9 AM & PM Only**
- Jun. 22 - Fun Lunch
Grade 6 Farewell 2:00 p.m.
- Jun. 26 - No Classes: Admin Day**
Report Cards Sent Home
- Jun. 29 - Last Day of School for PM Nursery & Kindergarten
- Jun. 30 - Last Day of School



Roots of Empathy

Our school has the opportunity to participate in the **Roots of Empathy/Racine d'empathie** program again next year!



We are looking for a volunteer parent in our community who has a **baby born in June, July, August,**

Roots of Empathy or September. The volunteer and **Racines de l'empathie** their baby will visit a selected classroom throughout the year for short sessions lead by a facilitator (Mme Sara). The students will learn about infant and child development, as well as emotional literacy.

You can visit <http://www.rootsofempathy.org/> to learn more about the program. If you, or someone you know, is interested, please contact Mme Sara Tham at sthamb@wsd1.org or 204-488-3569.



Parent Advisory Council

The Parent Advisory Council's spring fundraiser is partnered with **Glenlea Greenhouses** this year! **Orders can be picked up Monday, May 15, 2023 from 3:00 - 5:30 p.m.** Thank you to all of our families who supported our fundraiser!



We are always looking for new members! Please consider joining us to help support school programs such as the École Sir William Osler Lunch Program, the Greenspace Committee, and other fundraising events.

**Last meeting of the school year and AGM:
Tuesday, May 16, 2023
6:00 p.m.**

French Activities



Are you looking for some fun things your child can do *en français*? Visit the Radio Canada website at radio-canada.ca/oniva for some great games, videos and television series!

The *Oniva!* series is a television show created for Canadian kids. It takes place all around Canada and often includes students from other French Immersion schools in the country.

Happy Mother's Day Sunday, May 14, 2023

Nobody's Like You, Mom

Nobody's quite like you, Mom.
You're special in every way.
You cheer me up, you fill my cup
With tenderness, come what may.

Nobody loves me like you, Mom.
No matter what I do,
Good or bad, happy or sad,
You support me; You always come through.

Nobody's equal to you, Mom.
With you in my life, I'm blessed.
I love you so, and I want you to know
I think you're the very best!



Recommended French Apps

Recommended Apps for Nursery - Grade 1 French Immersion

Basic Vocabulary & Interactive Activities

- **Mini-TFO:** Devine qui vient jouer?
- **Mini-TFO:** ABC (find & count, where is it?, matching activities)
- **TFO:** traditional French songs
- **MindSnacks:** Grade 1-2
- **FeedMe:** Fun vocabulary activities with hungry monsters
- **Mes premiers mots gratuits:** My first words free
- **Boowa & Kwala:** Series on a variety of topics with activities
- **Duolingo**
- **Frenchie Teachie:** Abcs, games, food and object vocabulary

Stories (reading with and without audio support)

- **TFO:** Zoubi Doubi (animated story about cars series - listen or read)
- **Tembo 4 French:** By Bubble Books - reading with or without audio
- **Lire-tot:** Basic first reader e-book, no audio
- **Ana Lomba Early Languages:** Story series - read and/or listen
- **Les comptines de Zoreil:** Songs with amusing video & lyrics

Recommended Apps for Grades 2 - 3 French Immersion

Fun & Educational Grammar, Vocabulary & Content Video Activities

- **Revise ta conjugaison LITE:** verbs
- **French Vocabulary Games Lite:** Word search games by Neil Coffey
- **TFO & mini-TFO:** Many apps at different levels and on different topics
- **Brain Pop:** Educational video + 10 Q quiz
- **Clever Dragons:** Fun vocabulary activities
- **Quizlet:** Many quizzes at different levels - search "French"
- **Passeport LITE:** By Hachette Education - read along story with audio, and interactive listening and math activities

- **Revise tes tables de multiplication:** Quizzes by Hachette Education

Recommended Apps for Grade 3 & Up French Immersion

Fun & Educational

- **French Vocabulary Games Lite**
- **La Cibile:** Marshmallow slingshot with questions on math, language and heritage
- **Brain Pop:** Educational video + 10 Q quiz
- **Quiz Animo (CBC):** Challenging quizzes on different animal species
- **Orthofolio:** Spelling - race the clock
- **Letris 4:** Like Tetris, but you have to spell words to make the blocks disappear - challenging, but fun!
- **Quizlet:** Many quizzes at different levels - search "French"

References

- **Verb forms:** Translation, verb forms and full conjugation for many common verbs
- **Le La:** French Gender
- **Le Robert Dixel Mobile:** Dictionary App \$6.99
- **Larousse French Dictionary:** \$6.99, picture dictionary \$8.99

Recommended for parents who want to learn too!

Fun & Educational

- **French Vocabulary Games Lite**
- **Vacances**
- **24/7 French LE**
- **Quizlet:** Many quizzes at different levels - search "French"
- **Rosetta Stone:** Travel French
- **French for Travel:** Great for parents planning to travel
- **Essentials:** Beginner vocabulary with flashcards, and reading and listening quizzes
- **Tres Bien:** Beginner words and advanced phrases for the not-so advanced learners





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May 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Day 6 No School Admin Day 	2 Day 1 Grades 4-6 Running Club 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	3 Day 2	4 Day 3 Grades 4-6 Running Club 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	5 Day 4
8 Day 5	9 Day 6	10 Day 1	11 Day 2	12 Day 3 Grades 4-6 Running Club 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
15 Day 4 Glenlea Greenhouses Plant Pick-Up 3:00 - 5:30 p.m. 	16 Day 5  Grade 6 Immunizations Grades 4-6 Running Club 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. PAC Meeting 6:00 p.m. 	17 Day 6	18 Day 1 Grades 4-6 Running Club 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	19 Day 2
22 No School Victoria Day 	23 Day 3 Grades 4-6 Running Club 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	24 Day 4 Room 1 to Aviation Museum 	25 Day 5	26 Day 6
29 Day 1	30 Day 2	31 Day 3 Grades 1-6 Sea Dome Presentation 	 <p>Don't forget that Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14, 2023.</p>	