



CLAYTON CAMPUS ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER MARCH 2025

Parent Teacher Interviews March 27

We look forward to speaking with you on the Parent-Teacher Interview Days.

Report cards will be distributed on Monday, March 24.

- Wednesday, March 26, Gr. 6-8 & Subject Teachers P-T Interviews from 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 27, Gr. 2-8 P-T Interviews from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- The Parent-Teacher Interview Day on Thursday, March 27, is a non-school day for students. Information on how to sign up for Parent-Teacher Interviews will be available to parents on Monday, March 17, through the school app.

In order to stay on schedule, it is important for the teacher and the parent to use only their allotted time. If necessary, a continuation may be requested on an alternate day. Parents are reminded that teachers are unable to meet parents without appointments.

IB Learner Profile Focus for March: Open Minded

“Open minded students understand and appreciate their own cultures and personal histories, and are open to the perspectives, values and traditions of other individuals and communities. They are accustomed to seeking and evaluating a range of points of view, and are willing to grow from the experience.”



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International Day – Thursday, March 6

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Elementary students will have an International Day on Thursday, March 6, which will be a wonderful cross-cultural experience for our students and staff, including some very special performances by our students in the assembly. All students are encouraged to wear their traditional clothing representing their family's culture. Classes will be having an International Day potluck lunch, and parents are asked to sign up for food items at the classroom door. Please be mindful of student allergies, and an ingredient list must be provided with all food items. We are looking forward to celebrating a great day before the March break.

International Women's Day – Saturday, March 8



March 8 is International Women's Day (IWD). It's a global day to recognize and celebrate women's and girls' social, economic, cultural, and political achievements. It's also a time to highlight the progress made in advancing women's rights and the ongoing efforts needed to ensure their full participation in all aspects of society. Let's celebrate all successful women around us, reminding today's youth and girls that their dream is within reach. Please click the link to the Canada.ca website for more information.

2024 Tax Receipts

On Thursday, February 27, tax receipts for the 2024 school year were distributed in the children's classrooms. Please speak to your child's teachers in case you have not received the tax receipt. Additionally, parents are asked to visit the office if you have any questions regarding the tax receipts.

PD Day – Friday, March 7

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Friday, March 7 is a PD Day. The Main Campus will be closed for professional development workshops. There will be no school for students on this day.

March Break – March 10 – March 14

The school will be closed for Pre-school, Elementary and High School Divisions for March Break, which will be from March 10 through to March 14.

School will resume on Monday, March 17. Please inform the school if your child will be absent for an extended holiday beyond the March Break.

Coat Hook and Locker Clean Up

Prior to the March Break, we will be asking all students and teachers to perform a coat hook, and locker cleanout. Our maintenance and cleaning staff will conduct a thorough cleaning of the school during the break.

- Students should take home all boots, winter clothing, and gym uniform to be cleaned and washed. Students should also take home music instruments to practice.
- All students are required to have a combination lock for their locker. Students who don't have one are requested get one upon their return from the break. This allows all contents in the locker to be secure.



Clean School Uniform – Look Good! Feel Good!

The march break is also a great opportunity to ensure that uniform items are clean, and in good state, there should be no holes in sweaters, ensure that pants are not too short and school shirts are crisp and clean.

Too often we are seeing uniform items that are not in good condition. We want our students to look and feel their best, wearing a clean and proper uniform will permit students to wear the mandatory school uniform with pride!

Pro Tip: Using a Sharpie marker to label all uniform items, ensures uniform items can be retrieved if it gets lost.

Don't hesitate to visit [Inschoolwear](#) over the break to replace school uniform items.



Gr. 8 students raise over \$3200 for charities during the Winter Market

Grade 8 students, as part of their MYP Community project, hosted a Winter Market on Friday, February 7th. The Winter Market was an opportunity to raise funds for great foundations that will use the donations to improve issues such as those regarding environmental protection, health care, and homelessness.

The Grade 8 students, with all their efforts, raised a total of \$3,215.05 during the Winter Market. All the donations have been given to non-profit organizations such as Sick Kids Hospital, Ontario SPCA, YWCA Ontario, NCAA, CAEH, Children's Mental Health Ontario, Canadian Lung Association, PetSmart Charities, Save the Children, and UNICEF. Along with the funds raised, the Grade 8 students helped to raise awareness for causes that are near and dear to their hearts. Well done, students!

Thank you to all of our school community for your support!

Gr. 5 & 7 TCPS Ted Talks – Friday, February 21

On Friday, February 21 the Grade 5 and 7 finalists presented their Ted Talks to a panel of judges showcasing their incredible talent and creativity. The event was a great success. We are excited to announce the top three winners from each grade, who impressed the judges with their insightful and impactful presentations.

Grade 5 Winners

1. Rahi B. – Why We Should Adapt Artificial Intelligence into Education.
2. Kaitlyn Z. – Technological Advancements Taking Over Our Health.
3. Riya S. – Processed and Packaged Foods: What's Really on Our Plates?

Grade 7 Winners

1. Saiyuri C. – Sugar: A Thriller but a Killer
2. Petra Y. – Speak No Evil – Mindful Communication
3. Ella A. – Are Social Determinants of Health Keeping Us Back from Living Healthier Lives?

Congratulations to all of our students!

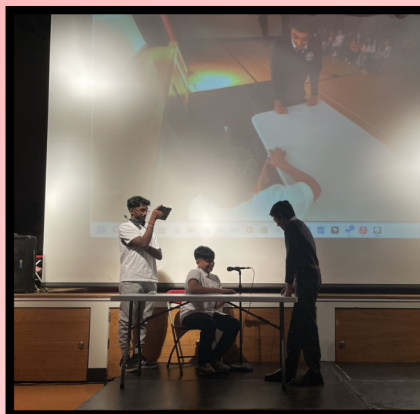


Gr. 7 to 12 Talent Show Highlights - Friday, February 14



TC's got talent!

The annual Gr. 7 to 12 Talent Show which was held on Friday, February 14 did not disappoint. There were some truly great student performances. The show featured students singing, dancing, and playing the piano. The hosts were wonderful and the technical crew made sure that the show ran smoothly. What a truly remarkable showcase of TCPS student talent!



Black History Month

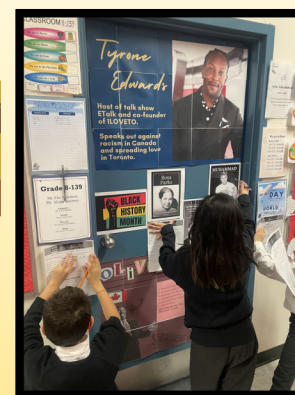
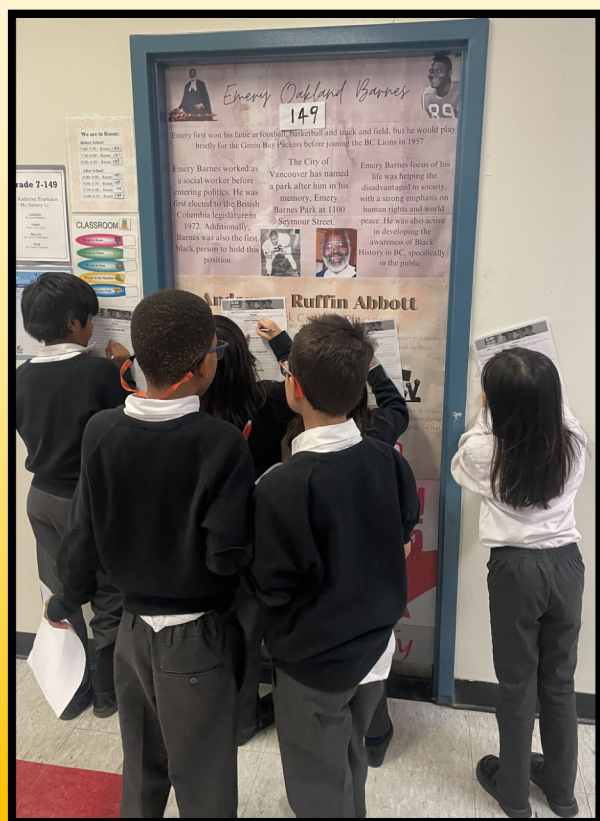
“Black Legacy and Leadership: Celebrating Canadian History and Uplifting Future Generations.”

Each year, Black History Month is an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of Black communities in Canada, listen to their stories, and learn more about their history and contributions to Canadian society.

Over the past month, TCPS has continued to recognize and honour Black History Month. All classes were involved in teacher and student-led events and activities that helped to deepen understanding and appreciation of the significance of this important month.

The grade 2-4 students were able to present announcements every Tuesday and Thursday during Homeroom over the PA system. Over the past 4 weeks, the students helped to educate our school community about significant Black Canadians.

The grade 5-8 students, working in groups, were able to research and create informative door displays to highlight the contributions of influential Black Canadians. These displays served as an educational showcase for the school, and the grade 2-8 students were able to participate in a gallery walk to explore the educational displays.



Grade 5 classes participate in Student Vote Elections 2025

On February 27th, the Grade 5 students took part in Student Vote Elections Ontario 2025, an authentic, hands-on learning experience that mirrors the provincial election process. Student Vote is a civic education initiative that allows students to engage in democracy by casting ballots for actual election candidates. By participating, students develop political literacy, critical thinking, and a deeper understanding of their role as future citizens.

This experience directly connects to their previous inquiry units: How We Organize Ourselves, where they explored the levels of Canadian government, and How We Express Ourselves, which focused on the rights and responsibilities of citizens. Through these units, students learned how governance and civic engagement shape society, making Student Vote a meaningful extension of their learning.

Additionally, students from both 5-156 and 5-157 took on official election roles to ensure a smooth process. They served as:

Deputy Returning Officers (DROs) – managing ballots and counting votes
 Poll Clerks – verifying voter lists and distributing ballots
 Scrutineers – observing the voting process and overseeing ballot counting

Their involvement provided a first-hand look at the democratic process in action, fostering responsibility and engagement in civic duties.



TC the Tiger SAYS: Friendly Tiger Reminders:



- **Arrive before 9:00 a.m.** – Parents please ensure students arrive before 9:00 a.m. All students arriving after 9:00 a.m. must report to the Main Office to get a late slip, instead of going directly to the classroom.
- **Arriving on time** allows students to be present for important instructions for the start of the day and prepares students for real world situations where punctuality is concerned.
- **Pick up after 3:30 p.m** – Parents please pick up after 3:30 p.m. to avoid disrupting classes in progress. All parents picking up before 3:30 p.m. must report to the Main Office to sign out students instead of going directly to the classroom.
- **Instructional hours- (9:00 am - 3:30 pm)** – All parents must report to the Main Office during instructional hours
- Before 9:00 a.m. and after 3:30 p.m. parents may go directly to the classroom door to drop off or pick up students.