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Hello, Welcome Bonjour, Bienvenue Nihao, Huanying Marhabaan, ahlaan
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April News/ Les nouvelles d’avril

Thank you for your response to our small climate survey. We appreciated the many suggestions and ideas that you shared with us.

Overall the average of the responses ranged from 3.5 -5 out 5. We feel we had a very positive response. We do acknowledge that there were 15 of the 117 responses that indicated a need for better communication. To this end we will continue with our paper copies of the newsletter and calendar. We will continue to send out school connect notices by email and text as well. Our classrooms and coaches communicate to you themselves; there are times that this information does not get to us until a few days before an event, often in the case of a final sports tournament.

Our kindergarten classes rely on a variety of communication practices. We acknowledge that not all parents rely solely on technology, and that we need to strike a balance to ensure you have all the information you need to have. For each class the communication mode is decided by the division teacher, as in the case of our Intermediate team. Agendas are in the hands of every student and it is our responsibility to use these for school to home communication. Our primary teachers (K-3) use this key link between you and the school. In junior, the responsibility starts to move to the students recording and sharing information from home and school. Some students require more support to ensure the information is shared both ways.

We have included for your information a list of activities that happen throughout the year at LFPS. Hopefully this will let you see the opportunities available to our students, generally from grade 1-8. Kindergarten is a great time for our students to orient themselves to a school and often there are not the extracurricular activities in place, yet, for before school or after school. We would like to see how an Intermediate leadership opportunity might provide different options for our “kindies” at recess. In the past we have had our back doors locked, with the main door as the only open entrance. This was a safety concern for students in portables and outside for gym activities. The only way to get in was to use a key or go through the parking lot. This is a conversation we continue to have with the plant department to ensure the safety for all students and staff.

Our Safe and Accepting team has met and decided on the **spirit days** to happen from now till the end of the year. These days are: Autism Awareness day: March 31; wear blue; April 21st: PJ day; May 19th: crazy hair/ sports Jersey day / sell ice cream (peanut free, 1\$) June: not decided yet. The team has also suggested a sports night to highlight new kinds of activities that we could learn together.

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Given the number of events on our current calendar, we have looked at having this in September, when good weather and light is on our side.

There are a number of evenings planned throughout the year to celebrate our school community: Open House in September; Parent council every month; Welcome to French Immersion in January; Math Night and CPF Film nights in April; Cultural Night in May; and Spring Fling in June.

Some of our parents would like the chance to come in and learn with their children and talk with teachers at the same time; We know that the time during the day is geared to teaching our students and that parent teacher conversations are best held during an appointment before or after school. In some cases teachers meet with parents on their preparation or lunch time as well. There have been many occasions when a parent inquires to come in and work with a particular class. This is always welcomed, and we appreciate the time our parents spend with us to support the learning of all our students. We know that so many of you have very busy lives and we hope we can do all that we can to accommodate your needs.

We are coming to that time of the year to plan for the next year. We work with our current number of students registered, and we hope that all our new registrations come to us as soon as possible. This helps us plan forward and avoid reorganizing in the fall.

We have a homework club that was offered to some students after school on Monday to Thursday. We had 3-4 places from 3:10-3:45. This is a homework club so that students can access books, technology or supervision to organize their work.

For our French Immersion students, the work they do is in French, and teachers provide the homework in French as it is something they have already done in class. If a student struggles with it at home, we encourage parents to write in the agenda the nature of the difficulty. Teachers will support the student the next day. Homework is only a time to finish or practice a skill that has already been modeled, shared and guided (reading, writing, and math). Sometimes a student may work on a project, like the 100 day project, where they are collecting to present in class.

NEWS from CPF:

On **Wednesday, April 19**, Canadian Parents for French-Trillium Chapter is participating in *National Canadian Film Day*. Join us at **6:00 p.m. at the Salvation Army Lindsay Community Church** (51 Eglinton St) to watch "La légende de Sarila" (with English subtitles) on a 200" screen! Popcorn and water will once again be available for purchase.

2017 French Summer Day Camp: flyer is posted on our website as well lfp.tdsb.on.ca [Peach jar flyers](#)

~Proudly sponsored by Canadian Parents for French-Trillium South Chapter~

Enjoy a summer full of action-packed fun, exploration, and adventure, while being completely immersed in the French language!

Campers will experience a culinary cooking class, puppeteers, drumming, museum field trip, French culinary delights and hands-on cooking, and more!!!

Who: Grade 1 – grade 8, with at least 1 year of French experience (Core or Immersion). Gr. 7 and 8 campers will have the opportunity to develop leadership roles. **NOTE: Camper(s) must be 6 years old at time of camp**

Where: TBD (Parkview Public School or Central Senior School - Drop-off and Pick-up)

When: (Week 1: July 24 to 28) (Week 2: July 31 to Aug 4)

(Week 3:

Aug 8-11 (short week - 4 days) \$140.00

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Registration fees: Age 6-12 \$175/week (Week #3 - short week - \$140.00)

***There is a \$15.00 discount for siblings.**

Please make cheque payable to "CPF Trillium South"

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Please note: this camp is subsidized by your local CPF Chapter. As such, CPF membership is required. If you are not a CPF member, please join today online:

<https://mycpf.cpf.ca/imispublic/Core/CreateAccount.aspx>

A one-year family membership costs \$25. Alternatively, you can request a CPF membership form (cpftrilliumsouth@gmail.com) and submit it with a separate \$25.00 cheque made out to "CPF Ontario" with the camp registration form.

REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE MAY 26, 2017

Some Upcoming Events to think about:

March 31: Wear Blue: Autism Awareness Day

March 31: Vessey Bulb orders due

April 6th: Canada T-shirts for sale: on display for 15\$; Order forms home April 10th

April 6th: Math Night 6-7:30 pm

April 19th: CPF Film Night 6-7:30 pm

April 25th 6pm Parent Council: in Library

May 4th: Cultural Night: information will follow 5:45-7:45

May 12th: #Passiton- One kind action can change a person's life: Our student leaders share kind words and thank the community for being there for us; 9:30 am-12:00pm

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