

Hello Clara Hughes families,

Looks like the good weather may be here to stay! Take some time this weekend to enjoy the sunshine and the warmth. Enjoy the beautiful weather with your family making sure to keep safe!

Please see below for our weekly updates;

**Parents with children in Kindergarten: EarlyON School Readiness workshops**

All workshops will focus on school readiness ideas as you prepare your child for kindergarten. Registration closes on May 15, 2021. Please click on the link for more information [May 15 EarlyON School Readiness Parent Workshop Flyer.pdf](#)

**Parents as Partners Symposium**

**To Register, please visit:**

[https://ddsb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_WfQMMt-bTU2IX8CDHajCzg](https://ddsb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WfQMMt-bTU2IX8CDHajCzg)

***Save the Date***

***Virtual Parents as Partners  
Symposium 2021***

***Embracing Our Identities to Elevate Students Success***

***May 26, 2021***

***7:00 p.m.***

This year again we are presenting the **Virtual Parents as Partners Symposium** webinar on May **26, 2021**, at 7:00 p.m. with Keynote Speaker Dr.

Regisford. See attached Flyer [Parents as Partners VIRTUAL SYMPOSIUM May 26 2021.pdf](#)

### **After School Program for Self-Identified Indigenous Students**

The Indigenous Education department would like to offer Self-identified Indigenous students an afterschool tutoring program designed to target Reading interventions. We have trained tutors (DDSB certified teachers) who are able to offer twice a week tutoring for 1-3 students at a time.

We are looking for Primary and Junior candidates that could use additional support in READING. Additionally, these students would be able to commit to twice a week session for 60 min afterschool and have access to a device and internet service. Please click on the link to see flyer with the registration information [Spell Read-Parent Letter.docx \(2\).pdf](#)

### **Dates of Significance**

#### **May 14th**

#### **Eid-ul-Fitr (Islam)**

Eid al-Fitr, (Arabic: “Festival of Breaking Fast”) is the first of two canonical festivals of Islam. Eid al-Fitr marks the end of Ramadan, the Muslim holy month of fasting, and is celebrated during the first three days of Shawwal, the 10th month of the Islamic calendar

#### **May 15**

#### **International Day of Families**

The 15th of May was declared the International Day of Families by the United Nations on September 20, 1993. The day is intended to reflect the importance the international community places on families as basic units of society. The day is intended to be taken as an occasion to reflect on and promote awareness and action with regard to issues relating to families worldwide

#### **May 17 - International Day against Homophobia, Biphobia, and Transphobia**

This day is a day coordinating international events to combat homophobia and transphobia and to provide information about sexual orientation and gender identity. It is also a rallying day for people to reach out to one another. May 17 has been chosen for this event as on this day in 1990, homosexuality was removed from the International Classification of Diseases of the World Health Organization (WHO). This date was adopted in Canada in 2003 by Foundation Emergence in Quebec.

## **May 17**

### **Shavuot**

The word *Shavuot* (or *Shavuos*) means “weeks.” It celebrates the completion of the seven-week [Omer](#) counting period between Passover and Shavuot.

The Torah was given by G-d to the Jewish people on Mount Sinai on Shavuot more than 3,300 years ago. Every year on the holiday of Shavuot we renew our acceptance of G-d’s gift, and G-d “re-gives” the Torah.

### **Fundraising Initiative: Flipgive**

We're using FlipGive this year to raise funds for our school. Buy what you need, and fund the school you love! Every time you shop online or buy a gift card, the school will be earning funds.

Click here to join - <https://www.flipgive.com/teams/join?joincode=CKNN3T>

If families use the link above they will be automatically directed to our campaign and won't need the code, which is CKNN3T.

**Your Admin Team,**

Sharon Knights and Marianne Rogers