Hello Clara Hughes families,

We hope this message finds you doing well and keeping safe. We wait in anticipation with you to see what June will bring. Please be aware if there are changes to our current situation you will be notified either by the school Board or by myself. Thank you to all of the teachers, staff and parents who are all doing their best for our students!! Please see below for our weekly updates;

## **Strong Academy**

The DDSB in partnership with 100 Strong Foundation is inviting students and families to an information session about the Strong Summer Academy program for July 2021. This program is held annually for self-identified Black male students currently in Grades 6-8. For more information about the program, can be found on the 100 Strong Foundation website: <a href="http://www.100strong.ca/strong-academy/">http://www.100strong.ca/strong-academy/</a>

This year the Strong Summer Academy Program will run as a two-week completely virtual program from July 12 to 23, 2021 with an orientation July 7 and 8. The theme of this year's program is *The Ten Days of Black Excellence*. Sessions will run from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm each day during the program time.

Completed applications should be directed to <a href="mailto:info@100strong.ca">info@100strong.ca</a>.

## Early Reading Summer Camp for students going into grade 1 and 2

This summer our board is offering a unique *Early Reading Summer Camp* for children who will be entering either Grade 1 or Grade 2 in September. As detailed in the attached flyer, the camp (**mornings only**) will run for **two weeks** (July 5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>) through a virtual learning approach. This *Early Reading Summer Camp* will focus on fun and engaging tasks to support early reading/literacy skills and will help prepare students for their upcoming programming in the fall. In addition, there will be an ongoing focus on supporting wellness embedded into each half day.

Please click on the link for more information and to register

# Math Summer Camp for students going into grade 6 and students in grade 7

This summer our board is offering a unique *Mathematics Summer Camp* for children who will be entering either Grade 7 or Grade 8 in September. As detailed in the attached flyer, the camp (**mornings only**) will run for **two weeks** (July 5th to 16th) through a virtual learning approach. This *Mathematics Summer Camp* will focus on fun

and engaging tasks to support number and operational skills and will help prepare students for their upcoming programming in the fall. In addition, there will be an ongoing focus on supporting wellness embedded into each half day.

#### Please click on the <u>link</u> for more information and to register

## **Dates of Significance**

#### May 28 Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh (Bahá'í)

This important holy day is celebrated on the 29th May, at 3am. It commemorates the anniversary of the death of the founder of the Bahá'í faith, **Bahá'u'lláh**, and his teachings.

Bahá'u'lláh died peacefully on the morning of 29th May 1892. He now lies buried in Bahji, in a shrine surrounded by a stunning garden, which is designed to symbolize the order of the world in the future.

#### 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**