



# MICHAËLLE JEAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Principal: Clelia Della-Rovere  
 Vice-Principal: Jennifer Anderson

## Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that it is June already. A popular saying "Time flies when you are having fun" resonates strongly with me. These past five years at MJPS have been memorable ones for me and have certainly gone by quickly. I have truly enjoyed all facets of my principal-ship at MJPS and will be very sad to leave at the end of June. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve the MJPS school community. The past three years working alongside Madame Anderson, our Vice Principal, has been a truly amazing learning experience for me. I will always value her expertise and the strong partnership we have developed while working together. Our formidable group of volunteers, parents, devoted school staff, committed students, School Council, before and after-school staff, Board personnel, community agencies, Superintendent Michael Cohen and Trustee Carol Chan have continued worked as a team to enhance the educational experiences of our students each and every day. Together, we "inspire learning" in our collective commitment to creating and sustaining a vibrant French learning environment for our students.

Our Parent Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast was just one way to say Thank You for all the wonderful ways volunteers help us with programs, fundraising activities and community events. Our FUN FAIR was amazing. It was a pleasure to see all of our families together as a community enjoying the food and fun activities. These events could not happen without the steadfast dedication of our amazing parent volunteers who have spent countless hours collating orders, ordering food, wrapping prizes, setting up, organizing games, supervising stations, etc... These are memorable events our students, staff and parents will remember for many years to come. Once again, thank you for joining us and thanks to our parent volunteers for making this happen. We still have a busy month ahead of us with trips, assemblies, Council meeting, Jump Rope for Heart, Grade 1 Orientation and Grade 3 Transition Ceremony. Looking forward to a productive and busy June! A heart felt thank you for your support and wish you health and happiness in the future.

**Yours in Public Education,**  
**Clelia Della Rovere**

## Vice Principal's Message

At the June 2<sup>nd</sup> Board Meeting it was announced that I will be transferred as Vice Principal at Michaëlle Jean PS and Redstone PS to Vice Principal at Glad Park PS, effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The last three years at Michaëlle Jean PS have been a wonderful experience both professionally and personally. I believe that we have built a very special school community for primary children where students, staff, families and the community at large have meshed beautifully. MJPS is a very special environment and I hope you feel that your children's lives are collectively richer for the experiences they have shared at our school. It has truly been a privilege to be a part of MJPS.

I know that this school is fortunate to have deeply committed educators and support staff. I know that the MJPS staff will continue to make sure our school and community remains at the forefront of all things good. Please know how much I will miss MJPS.

With sincere thanks and fondness,  
Jennifer Anderson

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## Trustee's Message

As the 2014-15 school year winds down, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize our parents and guardians for their ongoing support of our students throughout the year. We know that parents are our most important partners when it comes to educating your children. Good schools become better schools when they are connected with parents and families.



During the year, I hope you have had the opportunity to enjoy some of the many student performances, sporting events and cultural celebrations that take place in schools across our region. These events would not take place without the support of our school staff. I would like to thank the staff for their work to support student achievement and well-being.

Summer is a great time to relax and pursue hobbies or activities that complement the learning that took place over the school year. Whether you visit a museum, enjoy nature or just catch up on some summer reading, I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer.

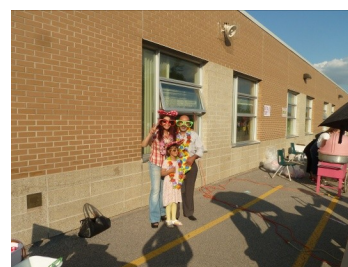


## School Events and Activities

# Fun Fair at MJPS



Chantal was the lucky winner who got picked to throw a pie in Mme D's face.  
Bravo Chantal!





## School Events and Activities Con't...

### Volunteer Appreciation

We would like to extend a big thank you to all of our parent volunteers who have contributed so much to our school community. Our staff and students greatly appreciate how our parents continue to support so many different facets of school life.



### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our Helping hands fundraiser for Nepal was a huge success. We raised a total of \$2512. thank you all for your generosity. Way to go MJPS!!

### Karate Kids

We are excited to announce that the **Karate Kids** program will be coming back to **Michaëlle Jean P.S.** in September 2015

### Agendas for September

The agenda/planner is an excellent communication tool between home and school which also promotes excellent organizational skills. We will continue to implement the use of the agenda/planner from grades 1 to 3. Parent Handbook is also included in the agenda. The agendas will be distributed in September 2015 at **NO COST** to our students thanks Parent Council.

### Jump Rope for Heart

We are very excited this year to be hosting a Jump Rope for Heart Event at our school. Our event date is June 17 (Rain date June 18). This event puts a focus on our own physical fitness as well as raising funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Thank-you for your support of this exciting initiative. We are looking forward to getting our hearts pumping!



## School Events and Activities Con't...

### Grade Three Transition to Beverley Acres PS

This marks the last month our grade 3 students spend at MJPS. Our grade 3 students will visit BAPS on Tuesday, June 16th. The school will cover the costs for bussing and we thank the staff at BAPS for welcoming us to their school.



### Special Grade 3 Transition Ceremony

The Transition Ceremony will be on Tuesday, June 16th from **8:15am to 9:15am**. The ceremony is our special event to wish our students luck as they move on to their new schools for grade 4. We hope to see you there.

**All parents of our grade 3 students are welcome to this special occasion.**

### Grade One Orientation

On June 9th, our new grade 1 students will join our school community and learn more about French Immersion and their future experiences at our school. The parents will receive an information package and gather in the gym to learn more about our school and our program. We look forward to welcoming our new families and students to our school community.



## Library News

### Scholastic Book Fair



Our Scholastic Book Fair was a great success this spring. Students were very excited about looking at and buying new books to read. Thank you to everyone who supported this event. We are purchasing new French resources, both fiction and non-fiction, to add to our library collection. Thank you to all of the parents who generously volunteered their time to help out.

### Library Book Return

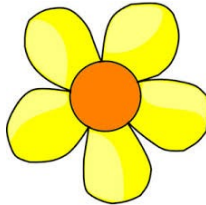
It's that time of year again - time to check on bookshelves, under the beds and in the hall closet for missing library books! The official last **Due Date** for library books is next week: **Wednesday, June 10th**. All books must be returned to the library by then. Please assist your children in locating any "stray" library books at home and sending them to school.



## School Events and Activities Con't...

### Are You Moving?

If you are planning to move and your child will not be returning to M.J.P.S. in September 2015, please let the school know as soon as possible as this will assist us greatly with staffing, determining numbers and class placement.



### Lost and Found Items

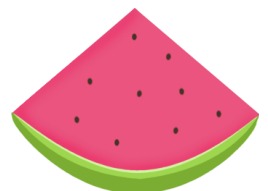
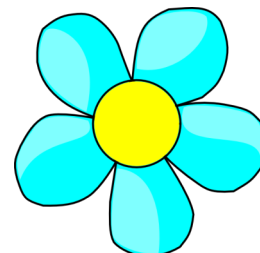
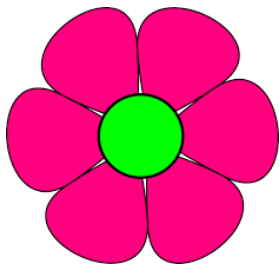
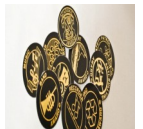
Our lost and found bin is overflowing with coats, mitts, hats, lunch bags etc. If your child has lost anything recently, please visit the school to look through the bin. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity on June 25th

Thank you.



### Winit Celebration

Our Winit celebration/assembly will take place on Thursday, June 25th. All students have received a Winit certificate in February where they affixed emblems to represent their contributions and different milestones they achieved so far during this school year. Students will be bringing home their wonderful certificates which commemorate so many activities they were part of this year.



### News from the School Office- Medication, Epipens, Puffers....

Please arrange to pick up prescriptions (pills, puffers, epipens) on the last day, June 25th, any medication not picked up by then will be sent home with the students on that day



We **encourage** you to visit our lost and found which will be set in our front hall the last week of school. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of June.

## Parents/Guardians Information

### Summer Institute Programs – Registration Now Open

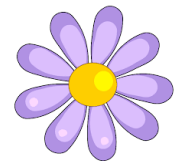
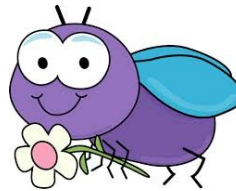
This program is run by YRDSB from July 6 to August 14 and offers academic and recreational programs that are aligned to the Ontario Curriculum. The program is for students in K- 8. If you are interested, please refer to the following website for more information, fees and locations.



<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/summer/si/Pages/default.aspx>

### Suzuki Program Registration

The Suzuki Piano and Violin Program has been at Beverley Acres for more than 30 years. It is unique program that allows students to benefit from lessons during the school day. Registration for piano or violin lessons is now open to new students. There are a number of good spots still available. Parents are responsible for transporting their child to and from Beverley Acres P.S. for lessons during the school day. Please email [BAPSSuzuki@gmail.com](mailto:BAPSSuzuki@gmail.com) for more information. Don't miss a great opportunity!!!



### Student Bussing Eligibility

Did you know that students' bussing eligibility changes throughout their school career? Your son/daughter's eligibility to ride the school bus may change according to their grade and distance from home to school. Below are the provisions for eligibility identified in the Board's Transportation Policy #680:



- All YRDSB students in Grades JK-3 who live within 1.2 km of their school are not eligible for transportation
- All YRDSB students in Grades 4-8 who live within 1.6 km of their school are not eligible for transportation
- All YRDSB students in Grades 9-12 who live within a transit served area are not eligible for transportation.

To view Board Policy #680 Student Transportation, please visit [www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca](http://www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca) and to determine your son/daughter's eligibility please visit [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com).