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The Spirit of Giving: Food and Toy Drive



The spirit of giving was front and centre in both the Food and Toy Drives this Holiday Season. The Food Drive donated 742 items to the Daily Bread Food Bank and the Toy Drive provided 117 toys towards needy children. Thanks to all who participated, with special mention to Jordana Kirsh and the Kirsh Family for spearheading the toy drive and to Patrick Rogers for helping to promote the food drive by making signs to hang around the

school and to Andrew Fox for his daily counts and recorded totals.

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Bake - Off ... "to die for"



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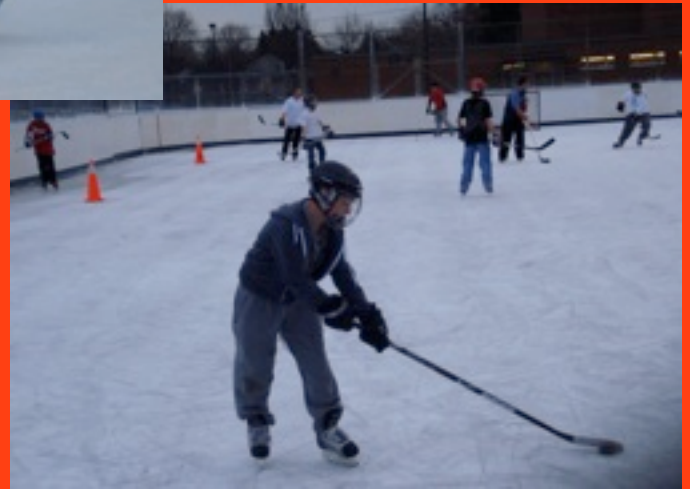
We hope everyone enjoyed a safe and happy Winter Break and are ready to come back rested and eager to tackle the upcoming Final Examinations which begin January 25th and go to January 28th. Final marks for the first semester will come out on January 29th and the second semester starts February 1st.



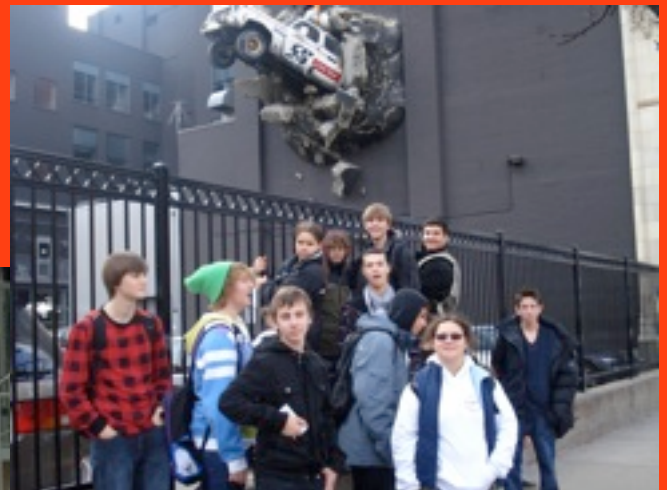
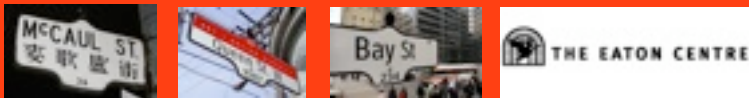
Morning and After School Shinny Hockey at Hodgson Outdoor Rink

Pleasure skating and shinny hockey have become part of the TPS Physical Education program as well as a daily routine for many of our hockey mad student-athletes.

Lacing up the blades and “putting on the foil” enable students to interact and release energy before and after the school day. There are a number of budding superstars practicing and wondering when they will get the call from the Leafs.



Walking Tour of Downtown Toronto: An Excellent Adventure



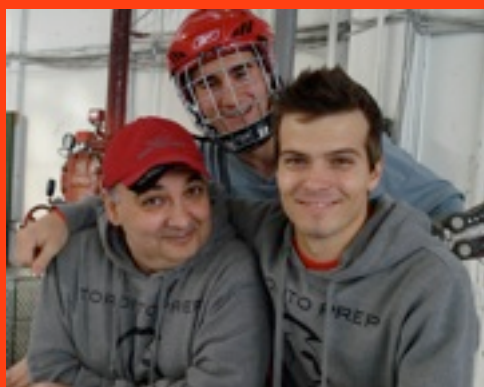
As part of the Geography of Canada 9 curriculum, students study urban land use. Mr Pizzuto utilized the city of Toronto as a backdrop and took his class on a walking tour to explore various sections of the city including; the Financial District, Queen Street West, China Town and Kensington Market. The students explored the various neighborhoods and conducted necessary research in order to complete an assignment associated with this excursion.



Spartans Lose Out by Goal Differential in Early-Bird SSAF Ball Hockey Tournament



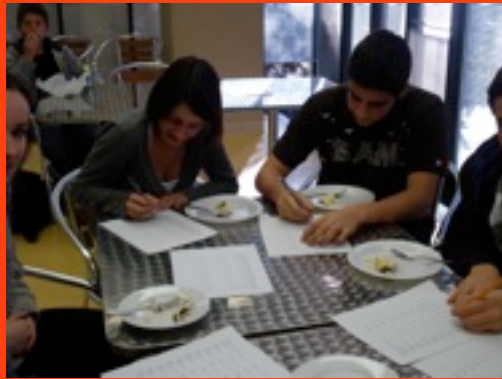
Completing the round-robin portion of the tournament with two wins and one loss and tied for first place was not enough to vault TPS into the championship game. Tied with two other teams with identical 2 and 1 records, TPS lost out on goal differential and was unable to vie for the championship. TPS lost to Country Garden (the eventual champions) 3-0, and defeated Willowood 5-1 and Metro Prep 2-1 in the preliminaries. The coaches were very proud of the effort put forth by our team as everyone contributed including our all-girl line who more than held their own against their male counterparts. Player of the tournament was Jeff Roebuck as he made spectacular save after spectacular save tending our goal.





CAKES, MUFFINS, PIES, AND MORE CAKES AT THE TPS BAKE-OFF

The brainchild of Mr. (I want Cake) Pizzuto, the first Annual TPS Bake-Off was a resounding success and a feast for both the eyes and taste buds. The competition for the top prize was fierce as was the jockeying for who was to be on



the judging panel. Signs of "I'll judge for cake" abounded. "Sugar-rush" was the word of the day as lunch time turned into a decadent display of desert indulgence with 14 judges in attendance. The submissions were judged on taste, appearance, and texture. The judges after long and hard (and tasty) deliberations awarded the top prize to a cake by Raquel Joshua and Robyn Maister. In addition to Raquel and Robyn's taste sensation the following submissions rounded out the top four: #2 Jordana Kirsh, #3 Sarah Chaplick and, #4 Stephane Deschenes.

"It was a little bit of everything that's good in life in a cake."
Cole Rodness describing Raquel and Robyn's cake



Names in the News

The Queen made a surprise visit to the TPS Staff Party in December. Her Majesty was as royal as ever as she dined on bulgogi- strips of tasty bbq'ed steak at the Korean Village Restaurant. A great time had by all.



A Haitian Witch doctor has been hired by a group of TPS students in an attempt to lift the curse imposed by Mrs. T on the Toronto Maple Leafs. The Witch Doctor has stated that there is very powerful magic at work here and he is skeptical of succeeding.

Jeff Roebuck serenades the crowd at the Science Centre as part of his Canadian Idol audition. Judge Cosentino was duly impressed with this budding musical star.



This "Big Wheel" is really:

- a) Ben Van Reekum
- b) Matt Fisher
- c) Michael Valente
- d) all of the above
- e) none of the above

Both Mr. Pizzuto and Mr. Oest enrolled in the F1 Driving School with hopes of landing a ride with McLaren or Ferrari for the upcoming summer racing season. Mr. Oest vowed to "mop-up" the track with Mr. Pizzuto when they meet.



- WACKY WORDS -

Examples:

SAND

(sandbox)

WEAR
LONG

(long underwear)

1.

R
ROAD
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2.

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V
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3.

ALL world

4.

gegs

5.

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6.

LASLEPTTE

7.

ass

ass

8.

EILN PU

9.

DICE
DICE

10.

P
P GG

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Girls Basketball Team Reaches the Semis



semi-finals, the girls traveled to Toronto Waldorf School and despite being severely out-sized, the girls played their hearts out, coming up just short. What a great season! Coaches Mr. Oest, Ms. Tsimikalis and Mr. Pizzuto are extremely proud of the girls' achievements this season.



What a crazy end to the season!

In the quarterfinals, the girls traveled to Toronto Montessori School and pulled off a one point upset of a higher ranked team. In the

- TPS 19 Mississauga Private 36
- TPS 22 Toronto Montessori 19
- TPS 22 ARS 39
- TPS 17 TCPHS 31
- TPS 41 Willowood 20
- TPS 30 Fieldstone 27
- TPS 51 Metro Prep 9
- TPS 42 Linden School 25
- TPS 21 Toronto Waldorf 42

Quarter-Finals:

TPS 34 Toronto Montessori 33

Semi-Finals:

TPS 28 Toronto Waldorf 43



BIOLOGY DISSECTION

Aspiring surgeons got their first taste of actual dissections. The faces provided for differing reactions to the exercise.





TOY DRIVE

Centaur	54 toys
Pegasus	46 toys
Minotaur	11 toys
Phoenix	6 toys

FOOD DRIVE

Pegasus	292 items
Phoenix	228 items
Minotaur	120 items
Centaur	102 items



OLYMPIC FLAME CAPTURED BY TPS STUDENT



Max Kirsh sporting TPS's Nikon D90 camera was able to capture the Olympic flame as it made its way past the intersection of Davisville and Yonge.

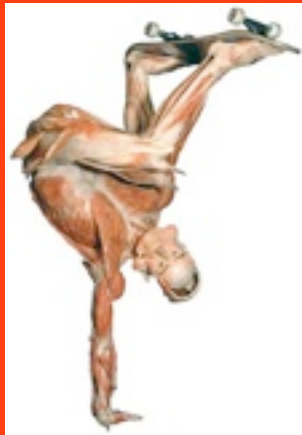
A budding photographer and member of the TPS Camera Club, Max was able to put his skills to the test.

We hope to see more photos from the Camera Club in subsequent issues.

JEWISH CULTURE CLUB

The Jewish Culture Club meets every other Wednesday at lunch to discuss issues, play games and learn about Jewish culture. All students are welcome and many take advantage of the free pizza and the opportunity to learn.

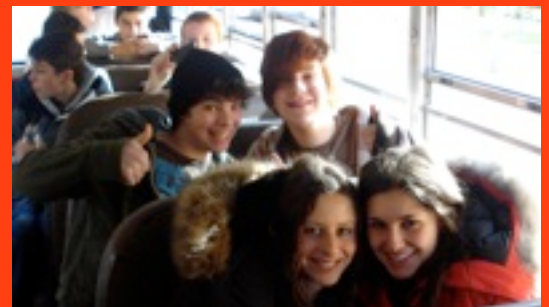




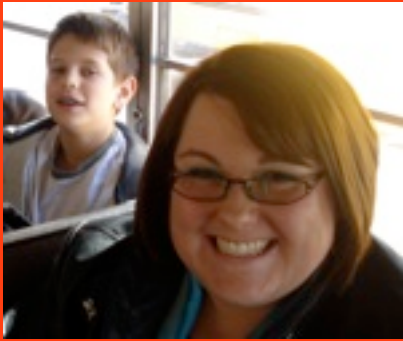
BODY WORLDS

The entire TPS student body visited *BODY WORLDS & The Story of the Heart Exhibit*, an all-new exhibition, revealing through the lenses of anatomy, cardiology, psychology and culture how the heart nourishes, regulates and sustains life. The exhibition gave the students a profound insight into the human body, health and disease, and the intricate world of the cardiovascular system. The exhibition contains over 200 human specimens including whole-body plastinates, organs and translucent body slices.

The striking whole-body plastinates in *BODY WORLDS* allowed our students to see inside the staggeringly complex and interconnected network of muscles, tendons and blood vessels that make up our bodies. The specimens on display came through the Institute for Plastination's body donation program – all of the donors had agreed before their deaths that their bodies can be displayed for public education purposes. Sixty-eight Canadians have bequeathed their bodies to von Hagens' Institute for Plastination in Heidelberg, Germany.



More Science Centre Fun



TPS HOLIDAY CARDS DESIGNED BY



The TPS Art Club provided the school with a multitude of Holiday cards from which to choose.

The top three designs selected by a panel of judges were those of Signy Harvey, Zachary Shoom, and Stephane Duschene. These designs were then used as TPS's official Holiday cards which were sent to our parents and business partners.

Under the expert tutelage of Ms. Mayer and Ms. Klieber the Art Club has been able to produce some fine work. We are looking forward to seeing their work displayed at an upcoming Art Exhibition.



PARENTS ADVISORY COUNCIL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2010
AT 7:00 PM

ALL PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

Answers to Wacky Words: 1. Crossroads 2. Seven Up 3. It's a small world after all 4. Scrambled eggs 5. Ambiguous
6. Slept in Late 7. Assassinate 8. Line up in alphabetical order 9. Paradise 10. Ping Pong

School Announcements

Mathematics Contests:

The CENTRE for EDUCATION in
MATHEMATICS and COMPUTING

CONTEST	CONTEST DATE
Gauss Grades 7 and 8	May 12, 2010
Pascal Grade 9	February 25, 2010
Cayley Grade 10	February 25, 2010
Fermant Grade 11	February 25, 2010
Euclid Grade 12	April 7, 2010
Fryer Grade 9	April 9, 2010
Galois Grade 10	April 9, 2010
Hypathia Grade 11	April 9, 2010

See Mr. T for details and signing up.

University Application Deadline:

The deadline for applying to Ontario universities is Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at 1:00 PM. If you have not finalized your application with the Guidance Centre do so immediately.

Community Service Hours:

Visit the TPS Guidance page on the wikispace to get access to updates regarding any and all TPS Community Involvement initiatives, events, and the necessary forms and information regarding Community Involvement hours. All forms on the site are available in hardcopy from Ms. Tsimikalis in the Guidance Centre, as well as having any questions answered.

Graduation Photos:

Graduation Photo Days are Tuesday and Wednesday, January 12 and 13, 2010.

Male grads should wear a white shirt and a tie and female grads should wear a white blouse and book a sitting with the office.

New Student Photos:

All new students who did not have their photo taken or students who missed the first date will have their photo taken on Wednesday, January 13.

Final Examination Schedule:

Final examinations commence on January 25th and go until January 28th. No classes are in session during the examination period. Students are to arrive for their exams and after they are written can return home to study for any upcoming examinations they have. Complete examination schedule is available on the wikispace or on the school website.

Stress Coach For Final Examinations

A Final Examination Stress Busting Seminar will be conducted by Stress Coach Larry Borins for all the students at TPS on Friday, January 15, 2010.

- Get REALLY stressed during tests and exams?
- Study hard, prepare well, and FORGET information during a test?
- Continuously get test results that don't reflect a true knowledge in a subject?
- Have a memory that 'kicks in' AFTER the test is over?

House News

Point Totals

PEGASUS



CENTAUR



PHOENIX



MINOTAUR



Total Points

826 points

800 points

588 points

410 points

December Points

209 points

119 points

86 points

96 points



HOCKEY POOL December Results



Participant	Points	House	House Points
1. Cole Rodness	282	Centaur	5 points
2. Mr. Costley	281	Pegasus	4 points
3. Brennan Hilgers	280	Minotaur	3 points
4. Mr. T	279	Zeus	None
5. Jeff Roebuck	278	Minotaur	1 point

School Team and School Club Points For December



	U20 Ball Hockey	Announcements	Cake Off	Holiday Cards
Minotaurs	8	0	8	50
Centaur	10	0	15	25
Pegasus	6	20	85	0
Phoenix	8	20	16	10



HOCKEY POOL Overall Results



Participant	Points	House
1. Mr. T	791	Zeus
2. Mr. Oest	765	Phoenix
3. Mr. Pizzuto	761	Centaur
4. David Grundman	755	Minotaur
5. Zoe Woods	753	Centaur

Exceptional Deed Points (includes Toy and Food Drive)

Pegasus	94 Pts
Centaur	64 Pts
Phoenix	32 Pts
Minotaurs	26 Pts





OUT-TAKES

