

# WEEK AT A GLANCE

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### Week of January 22-January 26, 2018

This month our school wide focus from the 7 Grandfather Teachings will be Honesty

## THIS WEEK AT GARDEN

#### Monday, January 22 - Day 5

- Recess Dancing AM DJ CC in the house
- Lego Club At Lunch
- Silver Birch Reading Club (fiction and nonfiction) – Recess PM - Library

#### Tuesday, January 23- DAY 1

- Silver Birch Reading Club Lunch Library
- 5/6 Strings- 12:45 PM
- Peaceful Recess PM Library

#### Wednesday, January 24 - DAY 2

 Lion King Rehearsal – Singers - Lunch – Music Rm

#### Thursday, January 25- DAY 3

- Lion King Rehearsal Drummers
- 5/6 Strings 12:30-1:45 PM
- Scientist in the School "Move It" RM 104 PM
- School Council Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM

#### Friday, January 26 - Day 4

• Its Friday 🙂

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Feb. 7 Walk to School Day
  Feb. 13 Progress Reports go home
  Feb. 15 Evening Interview
  Feb. 16 PA Day for interviews
- Feb. 22 Lion King Fern Avenue Public School -

## GARDEN SCHOOL NEWS

Principals are often asked how we decide whether it's too cold to allow our students out in the schoolyard for recess.

Fresh air and exercise are important for children. It keeps them physically fit, and helps them stay alert all through the school day. Parents can help by making sure their children come to school prepared to spend time outdoors. Hats, mitts, boots and a warm jacket are important to keep students comfortable during lunch and recess.

But extreme cold can be dangerous, and parents want to know that their children will be safe. When the temperature is predicted to drop below -15C, the City of Toronto may declare a cold weather alert. Schools are very sensitive to the needs of our students and pay close attention to the weather, especially when the wind-chill is below -20 C.

The TDSB Severe Weather Protocol is flexible, so that every principal can make a decision that meets the needs of his or her school. It sets guidelines for when to allow students outside for recess, when to make outdoor breaks shorter, and when to keep students inside altogether.

Canadian winters can be wonderful but when the weather is cold, school staff keep one eye on the thermometer and the other on the needs of our students - a perfect balance of fun and safety.

Ms. Hardy

"We learned about honesty and integrity - that the truth matters... that you don't take shortcuts or play by your own set of rules... and success doesn't count unless you earn it fair and square." **Michelle Obama**