

David Lewis Public School

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GRADE RANGE: JK to 8

Interesting Feature

Our School Band

We have an exemplary music program orchestrated by our music teacher, Mr. Henderson, supported by Mrs. Wall. Our Grade 7-8 students are committed to Thursday morning 7:30 a.m. practices. As of January 2012 a second band comprised of grades 4, 5 and 6 students will begin to practise together. Everyone is so excited as the skill level is amazing! Most mornings a group of students from the Band come to the office to play O'Canada for the entire school over the PA system. Woodwinds, Brass and Duets amaze us with their fabulous renditions.

David Lewis Public School, named for a prominent Canadian politician, was officially opened in May 1990. The school serves a culturally diverse community of 386 students from JK to Grade 8 supported by a Junior Y Daycare providing care for 65 pre-school and school age children. An active school council works co-operatively towards identified school/community goals. Our school offers the International Languages Program on Wednesday evenings and a Friday morning Ministry program for pre-schoolers. Committed to academic excellence, David Lewis was named by the Ministry in 2010 as a "School On The Move" and most recently were awarded the Bette Stephenson and the Hilary Weston award of Excellence. We are very proud of our successes.

Mission Statement:

Lead by an experienced, dynamic staff with many diverse talents, David Lewis P. S. is committed to educate every student in its care by providing the skills, knowledge and values necessary for individuals to be capable, active and concerned participants in Canadian society. We believe that co-operation and dialogue among students, staff, families and the community are integral in the educational process. We encourage our students to become involved in both school and Community initiatives and to broaden and extend their understanding and involvement in their world as they develop and grow.





"Participate with Pride"

Our School's motto is represented by our school mascot, a lion. To foster pride in themselves and their school, we encourage our students to participate in a wide variety of activities, including academic pursuits, athletic events, leadership opportunities and social justice responsibilities. Many activities are school wide and involve students from JK-Gr. 8.



Celebrating Student Successes

We celebrate student successes whether they are large or small, as individuals or groups of students. At the end of the school year, we celebrate academic excellence with gold and silver medallion awards, and we recognize participation through our Lion Awards. Student success is celebrated through assemblies, special events like Multicultural Day and our Technology Fair.



Community And Fundraising Events

Our Read-a-thon and Dance-a-thon is a school-wide fundraising event. Our Kilometre Club runs in the Fall and involves over 300 students running daily promoting physical fitness. Our Christmas Cheer campaign which supports Agincourt Community Services, collections for Unicef and the annual Terry Fox Walk build an understanding for community and social justice awareness.



Committed and Capable

A committed and capable Parent Council work closely with the teachers and the administration at our school. Six meetings a year, a Community Multicultural Dinner/Talent Show in February and a Community BBQ in May are evidence of the shared goals between our parents and the staff in our fine school. A school Sign, and new Smartboards reflect the community support.



Additional Features

- Bette Stephenson Achievement Award
- Hilary Weston Award of Excellence
- Named "School On The Move" 2010
- Well developed Arts programme
- Strong transition with Bethune CI.
- Information Technology/ Smartboards
- Clubs, teams, for all ages
- Special Student/Spirit Days

Student Life - Where You Belong

David Lewis prides itself on providing many opportunities for students to grow in both experiences and personal skills. A well equipped Information/Computer Centre serves the youngest of our students and challenges our most skilled. A well designed Web page reflects and showcases both the richness, quality and diverse nature of our school programmes.

Well stocked classrooms containing many literacy materials appeal to and support skill development in our boys, our newest ELL students and our most curious! Math manipulatives and Smartboards support alternate learning styles in active classrooms. Our commitments to the Arts is reflected in the superb murals and individual paintings that beautify our halls and highlight student artistic skills.



What Sets Us Apart

Life at David Lewis is exciting, inclusive and varied. Teams, Clubs, bands and special celebrations bring purpose and pleasure to each school day.

Sports pennants line all of the gym walls reflecting both the interest, commitment and the skill level that is demonstrated by the teacher coaches and the students who achieve excellence in all areas of school life.

Teachers, students and their families work together as a family on a daily basis to meet the identified needs of every child at David Lewis Public School. Students are proud to attend our fine school!





Parent and Community Engagement

- Teacher training placements from Institute of Child Study at University of Toronto and York University - Co-operative student placements from Seneca College and Bethune Collegiate - Junior Y Daycare Program - Peer Helper Program with Bethune Collegiate - Safety Patrol Program / affiliated with Police department - Environmental conservation and preservation within the community - Friday a.m. Ministry Pre-School Programme for young learners - Link with Bridlewood Community Mall for Special events to support Literacy and Social Development - School Community Council with a small group of very concerned active parent members - Parent volunteers who assist in the school's classrooms, technology centre and on school trips - Home/School communication through agendas, Parent Council Meetings.



TDSB - Better Schools. Brighter Futures

Imagine a TDSB where all schools share a common core set of characteristics. They are community-driven and focused on teaching and learning. Students and parents have a wide variety of opportunities and there are enough students in every school to increase program choices.

Imagine there is a clear focus on achieving student success and every student is engaged, has a voice, access to a caring adult and the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Here at the TDSB our focus is on student achievement, parent and community engagement and financial stability.



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