



# Louise Arbour F.I. Newsletter

June 2024

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Vice Principal: Mme. Hart  
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L. Griffith-Jones

## Important Dates Coming Up

June 1: National Indigenous  
History Month and Pride Month

June 3: Track & Field Valley  
Finals (rain date June 4th)

June 13: Junior/Intermediate  
Spring Concert

June 14: Jump Rope for Heart

June 17: School Council  
Meeting (6:30pm)

June 19: Kindergarten Family  
Picnic

June 21: National Indigenous  
Peoples Day

June 24: 1-8 Picnic Day  
Jump Rope for Heart (K-1)

June 25: Report Cards Home

June 27: Last Day of School

Throughout the month of June,  
grade level year-end field trips  
have been planned.

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## Admin Message

Dear Louise Arbour Families,

Welcome to the last month of the school year! There is an excitement in the air at school as the summer months approach. We encourage families to ensure to read communications from the school and teachers this month, in order to identify important events and dates for your children.

This has been a great school year and we want to thank all those families who have volunteered their time this year to participate in school initiatives and events. We are grateful for the support of our parent community, particularly with the many end of year field trips that are occurring this month.

Entering into the last month of the academic year, we will be celebrating change because change, too, should be embraced. To our Grade 8 Wolf Graduates, this has certainly been a memorable year to end your elementary school career. Each of you has your own talents and skills which you will have the opportunity to enhance as you embed those talents into your secondary academic careers. We wish you all the best in secondary school! We look forward to recognizing you on Friday, June 21st.

We are thrilled to be welcoming our new kindergarten and grade one students and families to the Louise Arbour community. We were delighted to meet our new students and families at our recent Kindergarten and Grade One Open Houses which were great successes. Thank you for joining us!

We hope that you all have a wonderful summer and that you get to enjoy quality time with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school in September!

Merci,

Mme Blais and Mme Hart

# News from the Library Learning Commons

## Mille Mercis!

A HUGE thank you goes out to all the Grade 7 and Grade 8 library helpers who have assisted our Kindergarten and Primary classes throughout the school year. This dedicated and enthusiastic group of Intermediate students has exemplified leadership at its very best! From running the circulation desk and shelving books, to reading with younger students and assisting them with the technology housed in our Makerspace, the contributions of these student-leaders cannot be overstated. Thank you for helping to make our Library Learning Commons such a positive, inclusive, and fun place to learn.

Mme N. Allen

## Library Circulation Wraps Up Tuesday, June 11th

All students are asked to return their library books by no later than Friday, June 14th. The resources housed in our Library Learning Commons will be inventoried during the last two weeks of June; therefore, it is imperative that all books be accounted for prior to that date.

## Summer Reading

Are you looking for a way to keep your child reading this summer?

\*All 16 branches of the London Public Library System will be running their annual *Summer Reading Program*. Be sure to check out what fun activities are planned for children of all ages at a location near you!

[LPL Summer Reading Program 2024](#)



# LAFI Spring Concert

We are pleased to inform you that your student is invited to participate in the **LAFI Spring Concert!** They have been working very hard in their Music, Drama and Dance classes with Mme Singh, and they are ready to showcase what they have been rehearsing. We would like to invite any family and friends to come join us for the presentation of these talents on **Thursday, June 13th at 6pm** in our school auditorium. There will be many student performers that evening, and we are happy to let you know that there will be a Bake Sale as well. Entrance to the performance is by donation - whatever you can give to help out the Music program at Louise Arbour FI would be greatly appreciated! If you're unable to donate, no matter, you are still invited! All are welcome and we hope you enjoy this arts-filled evening.

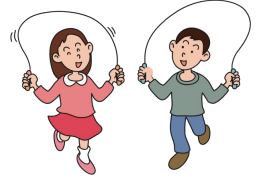
Thank you so much for all your support!

Musically yours,  
Eryn Singh

- Students from Grades 4-8, including Mme Anderson's 3/4 will be performing
- Student performers and crew should arrive at LAFI at 5:30pm
- Performance begins at 6:00pm
- Treats will be sold 5:30pm- 6:00pm
- The show runs approximately one hour with no intermission



## JUMP ROPE FOR HEART



Louise Arbour is participating in @HeartandStroke's #JumpRopeForHeart and making a difference! Pledge forms will be sent home with students soon, so watch for them in backpacks!

Please help our students raise money for lifesaving research and create a healthier future for kids across Canada. Check out our school's pledge page if you'd like to make an online donation:

<https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/45422>

Event Day: Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>

Thank you for your support!

Your Jump Rope Committee ❤️



## Grade 8 Graduation



Our Grade 8 students will be graduating on June 21st! Families will partake in observing the ceremony and then students will have their own celebration!

Grade 7 families are asked to help us continue the tradition of supporting the Grade 8 graduation by helping them prepare for the reception in the way of baked goods, etc. Please contact your teacher if you have any questions.



Every year our Grade 8 students have the opportunity to participate in the Lawson Literary awards. It is an intense, historical, research project worked into the curriculum. Entirely based upon student interest, inquiry and their own personal connections, students are expected to adhere to strict criteria while also demonstrating outstanding creativity!

After projects are submitted to their teachers, 2 projects are selected to represent our school at the board level. A panel of Literacy coaches and judges then select winners. We are so happy to celebrate TWO of our students this year who both won out of the very few that get selected across the entire school board.

Please congratulate Jessica and Mila who will be celebrating at a special ceremony where they will each receive a plaque and scholarship!



## Track and Field Season



On Wednesday, May 22nd, we had 70+ student-athletes representing Louise Arbour FI PS at the Northeast Regional Track and Field Meet. Many students achieved personal bests and we have 26 students moving on to the TVDSB Track and Field Championships at TD Waterhouse on June 3rd. Congratulations!

## Badminton

We would like to congratulate the Louise Arbour French Immersion badminton teams! This year LAFI brought home a GOLD and a BRONZE medal at regionals, and had the privilege of participating at the Valley Finals!





ALL FUNDS GOES TOWARDS THE  
ÉCO-ÉQUIPES

# k-8 Picnic day

ALL STUDENTS WILL BE INVITED OUTSIDE  
TO SPEND TIME WITH THEIR PEERS AND  
SNACK ON FROZEN TREATS

JUNE

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MONDAY

24

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LAST BLOCK

FROZEN TREATS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR  
PURCHASE ON SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

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ICE CREAM SANDWICH (190ML) - 1.50\$  
JUMBO FREEZIE (150ML) - 1.00\$  
1/2 JUMBO FREEZIE (75ML) - 0.50\$

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL

**Kindergarten**

*Family*

**Picnic**

**ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 19TH  
FROM 1:15-2:15 IN OUR SCHOOL YARD.  
PLEASE DON'T ENTER THE YARD  
UNTIL 1:15.**



# Are you attending kindergarten in September?

## Drop into a Summer Pop-Up Developmental Screening Clinic

- ▶ **No appointment needed**
- ▶ In partnership with EarlyON Centres
- ▶ **More than 20 screening clinics to choose from throughout the summer**
- ▶ The developmental screening process takes 20 minutes
- ▶ **Parents/caregivers can attend alone or with their child**
- ▶ Parents/caregivers will be provided screening results and supports to use at home with their child

**Identify your child's strengths and needs before the first day of school!**



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For clinic dates and locations, visit the website:  
**[www.tvdsb.ca/SummerSupport](http://www.tvdsb.ca/SummerSupport)**

Calling All *Grade 8* Students!

Thames Valley District School Board

# SUMMER *Programs*



*Register:* [www.tvdsb.ca/SummerPrograms](http://www.tvdsb.ca/SummerPrograms)

For Grade 8 students who are starting at a TVDSB high school in September 2024!

## Grade 8 Summer Opportunities



High School Here I Come! is a non-credit summer program for Grade 8 students who are starting at a TVDSB high school in September 2024. Students will be provided with a variety of learning skills and strategies designed to help them with their transition to secondary school.

**Registration Opens:** February 20, 2024 at 12 pm **Registration Closes:** August 7, 2024 at 12 pm  
**Program Runs:** August 19/20, 2024 OR August 21/22, 2024 (8:30 am – 12:30 pm) **Registration:** myBlueprint  
**Link:** <https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/programs/high-school-here-i-come.aspx> **Location:** TVDSB Secondary Schools

## JUMP START! GRADE 9 LITERACY AND NUMERACY PREP

A summer program for Grade 8 students entering a Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) high school in September 2024. This program is geared towards students who would like to develop their Math and English skills in preparation for secondary school. Students will have the opportunity to build upon the knowledge base and processes foundational to Grade 9 Math and Grade 9 English. This year students will be granted a secondary credit if both programs are successfully completed. Students will be granted a GLD20 credit.

**Registration Opens:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 12 pm **Registration Closes:** Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 12 pm **Program Runs:** July 2, 2024 – July 19, 2024 (9:00 am – 2:30 pm)  
**Registration:** myBlueprint **Link:** <https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/programs/jump-start-grade-9-literacy-and-numeracy-prep.aspx>  
**Locations:** Montcalm SS, Banting SS, London Central SS, College Avenue SS, Central Elgin CI, Strathroy DCI

## SUMMER SCHOOL IN-PERSON

New Credit Grade 9 to 12 summer In-Person courses are open to Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) secondary day school students including students starting at a TVDSB school in September 2024.

**Registration Opens:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 12 pm **Registration Closes:** Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 12 pm **Course Runs:** July 2, 2024 – July 26, 2024 (8:15 am - 2:30 pm)  
**Registration:** myBlueprint **Link:** <https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/programs/new-credit-in-person.aspx> **Location:** Saunders SS

## SUMMER SCHOOL ONLINE

New Credit Grade 9 to 12 summer eLearning courses are open to Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) secondary day school students including students starting at a TVDSB school in September 2024.

**Registration Opens:** Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 12 pm **Registration Closes:** Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 12 pm **Course Runs:** July 2, 2024 – July 26, 2024  
**Registration:** myBlueprint **Link:** <https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/programs/new-credit-e-learning.aspx>

## JUMP START! GRADE 9 LITERACY AND NUMERACY PREP FOR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

A summer program for Grade 8 students entering a Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) high school in September 2024. This program is geared towards students who would like to develop their Math and English skills in preparation for secondary school. Students will have the opportunity to build upon the knowledge base and processes foundational to Grade 9 Math and Grade 9 English. This year students will be granted a secondary credit if both programs are successfully completed. Students will be granted a GLD20 credit.

**Registration Opens:** Monday, April 22, 2024 **Registration Closes:** June 18, 2024 at 12 pm **Course Runs:** July 2, 2024 - July 19, 2024  
**Registration:** myBlueprint **Link:** <https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/programs/in-person-summer-programming-for-first-nation-metis-or-inuit-identifying-students.aspx>  
**Location:** Antler River Elementary School in Chippewas of the Thames First Nation

## GR 7/8 SUMMER ESL CAMP

Multi-language Learners can improve English Language skills this summer by attending a two-week camp. Students will strengthen their oral language skills by participating in conversation circles and a variety of vocabulary building activities. They will read and write short compositions about their experiences. It is a great chance to meet and connect with other newly arrived students.

**Registration Opens:** Tuesday, April 2, 2024 **Registration Closes:** Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 12 pm **Program Runs:** July 2, 2024 - July 12, 2024 (8:30 am – 12 pm)  
**Registration:** To register please visit [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdsDeDv0haSQrdPke4hTPCuvyV4BLMq9Rqc0WafAq-f\\_4jQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdsDeDv0haSQrdPke4hTPCuvyV4BLMq9Rqc0WafAq-f_4jQ/viewform)  
**Link:** <https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/programs/esl-summer-programs.aspx> **Locations:** W. Sherwood Fox PS, Montcalm SS, White Oaks PS, Banting Annex (located at Banting SS)



# Sun Safety

## Children

### Children in the sun

- Over half of Ontario children spend at least two hours in the sun on a typical summer day.
- Children's eyes have large pupils and clear lenses, allowing a lot of sunlight to enter.
- UV rays can harm the eyes at any time of day and all year round, even when it's cloudy.

### Sun exposure and your skin & eyes

Exposure to UV rays can lead to:

- Skin cancer
- Skin damage
- Sunburns
- Eye lesions
- Cataracts
- Retinal Burns

**CHILDREN** are often **OUTSIDE** when the **SUN'S ULTRAVIOLET (UV)** rays are the **STRONGEST**.

**Enjoy the sun safely. Protect your skin and eyes.**

- 1 Time of Day:** If you can, limit time in the sun when the UV Index is 3 or higher, usually between 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- 2 Shade:** Seek shade or make shade by using an umbrella, a UV protective tent or pop-up shade shelter. Keep babies younger than 1 year of age out of direct sunlight.
- 3 Cover Up:** Wear clothes that cover as much skin as possible or UV-protective clothing. Wear a wide brimmed hat or baseball cap with flaps that cover the head, neck and ears.

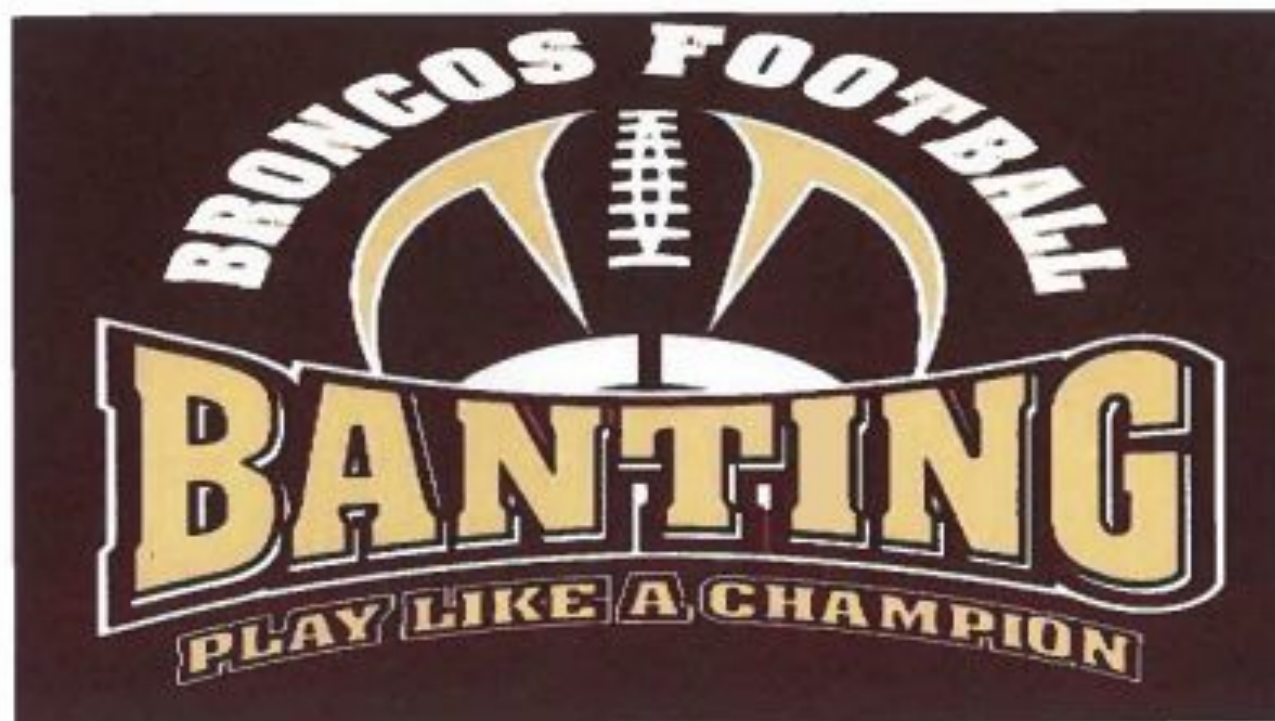
- 4 Sunscreen:** Apply plenty of sunscreen with SPF 30 or more, labelled 'broad spectrum' and 'water resistant'. Reapply when needed (especially after swimming, sweating, or towelling). Use a sunscreen lip balm. Sunscreen may be used on babies over six months of age; avoid the mouth and eye areas.
- 5 Sunglasses:** Wear close fitting/wrap-around sunglasses with UV 400 or 100% UV protection. Children's and babies' sunglasses should be unbreakable.

### Things to avoid

- Children and teens should avoid getting a tan or a sunburn.
- Don't expose children to UV rays to meet vitamin D needs. Use food or supplements instead.



# **BANTING BRONCOS JUNIOR FOOTBALL SPRING CAMP**



**WHEN?**

**MON JUNE 3- FRIDAY JUNE 7, 4:00 – 6:00 PM**

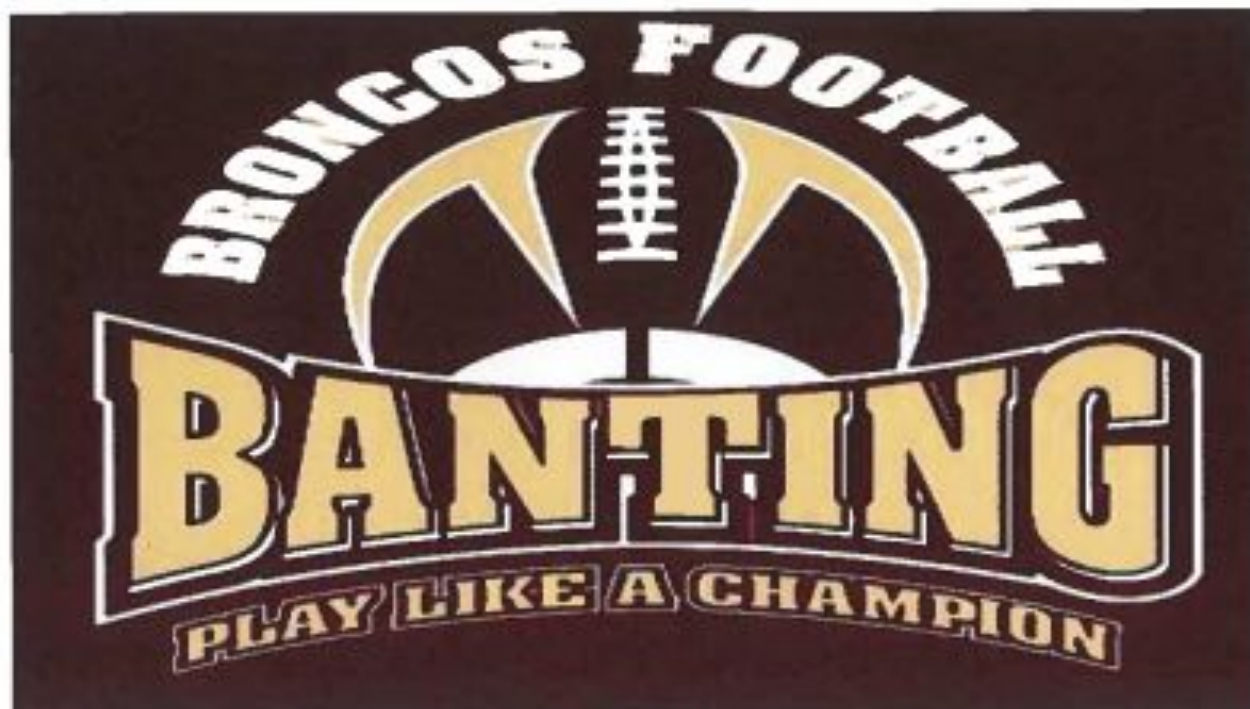
**WHERE?**

**BANTING FOOTBALL FIELD**

**WHAT?**

**SHORTS, SHIRT, CLEATS**

# **BANTING BRONCOS JUNIOR FOOTBALL FALL TRYOUTS**



## **WHEN?**

**EQUIPMENT SIGN OUT, MON AUG 26, 12:00-1:30 PM**

**PRACTICE, MONDAY AUG 26- WEDS AUG 29, 2:30-5:00 PM**

**TUES 27th & WED 28th ADDITIONAL OFFENSIVE PRACTICE ONLY 11 AM-12:30**

**THURS AUG 31, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

**REGULAR PRACTICE SCHEDULE STARTING TUES SEPT 3, 3-5:30 PM**

## **WHERE?**

**BANTING FOOTBALL FIELD**

## **WHAT?**

**SHORTS, SHIRT, CLEATS**