



# Louise Arbour F.I. Newsletter

Spring 2022

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## Important Dates Coming Up

**May 4th-** Home & School Meeting

**May 6th-7th-** Domino's Pizza Fundraiser

**May 9th- 13th-** Scholastic Book Fair

**May 16th-17th-** Track & Field Team Qualifier

**May 16th- June 2nd-** EQAO

**May 23rd-** Victoria Day

**May 25th-** Regional Track & Field Meet

**May 26th-** Rain date for Regional Track & Field Meet

**May 31st-** Kindergarten Open-House

**June 3rd-** PD Day

**June 24th-** Grade 8

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## Admin Message

Spring has sprung! And with the arrival of Spring, Louise Arbour F.I. students and staff have embraced the outdoors and the return of Forest School. Teachers have also been planning some wonderful field trips as we welcome back many of these opportunities to learn beyond our classroom walls. Thank you to our teachers for planning these wonderful experiences and our parent volunteers who help make these opportunities possible.



Mrs. Donnelly @DonnellyEmilie · Apr 26  
thanks for making the amazing binoculars @missjstewart we had so much fun bird watching and some of us even found the bird nest 🐦  
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Mrs. Rollins @MmeRollins · Apr 22  
Another beautiful day in the forest! We found a new tree to climb, wrote our names in the dirt and discovered beautiful snail shells! [@louisearbourfi](#)  
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May and June, will be packed with a variety of events including the return of EQAO. Our Grade 3's and 6's will be participating in these assessments in a new digital format. Families will receive notification of the specific dates that their child(ren) will be participating closer to the date.

Our Intermediate team is very excited to be preparing for Grade 8 graduation and year-end celebrations. We will also be welcoming in person our incoming Kindergarten and Grade 1 students for September 2022. More information regarding our open-houses will follow in the upcoming weeks. Looking forward to meeting all of our new families. Bienvenue à la cabane des loups!





**Hello LAFI friends and families!**

On Wednesday, May 4th, Louise Arbour is invited to dress up **Star Wars** style! Feel free to put on your favourite *Empire Strikes Back* tshirt, your best Jedi costume, or even paint your face like Queen Amidala. Feeling like a lightsaber battle? Find friends from *SinghHouse* (Mme Singh's fifth grade class) around the school, and maybe you will witness some action-packed scenes! Can't wait to see what your outer space spirit looks like!

***May the fourth be with you!***



### **Badminton Team News!!**

And a special shout out to Aaron, Leo, Libby, and Keitlyn who brought home DOUBLE Gold, not once, but TWICE!!

## Poetry Month Celebrations

In celebration of National Poetry Month, Poetry Writing Contests have been running throughout the month of April and continue until Friday, May 6th.

### Poetry Contest #1 -Tuesday, April 5th - Friday, April 22nd

Foci: Concrete (Shape) and Structured Poetry  
Alliteration and Rhyming Couplets

### Poetry Contest #2 -Monday, April 25th - Friday, May 6th

Focus: Free Choice

\*While students are welcome to submit any type of poem into the contest; they are encouraged to incorporate poetic structures and literary devices (i.e., similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia, personification) in their work.

To date, the response has been overwhelming with over **150** poems submitted to Mme Allen in the first 3 weeks of the writing contests.

The winners of Poetry Contest #1 were announced on Wednesday, April 27th, and the winners of Poetry Contest #2 will be shared on Tuesday, May 10th.

All participants earn 1 ballot into the draw for a chance to win some fantastic prizes! Contest winners earn an additional ballot into the final draw. **Grand Prize Winners of a \$20 gift certificate to our school's Spring Scholastic Book Fair will be announced on Tuesday, May 10th.**

## Spring Scholastic Book Fair May 9th–13th



This year, students are invited to preview and purchase books in-person during the week of **Monday, May 9th to Friday, May 13th.**

*\*LAFI family members are invited to volunteer at this year's Spring Fair. We look forward to welcoming you into our school!*

The **virtual store** is open  
**Monday, May 9th to**  
**Friday, May 13th.**

When shopping online, remember to use the link provided:

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5171282>

All purchases benefit our school and earn rewards that can be redeemed for books and educational resources for our school's classrooms and library learning commons.



## Track and Field 2022

During the past few weeks, students in Grades 4-8 have been participating in Track & Field events during their Phys. Ed. classes, as well as training sessions during nutrition breaks. Top qualifying athletes will have the opportunity to compete in the **LAFI Track & Field Regional Team Qualifiers** to be held at school **Monday, May 16th** and **Tuesday, May 17th**. The top 2 athletes in every event, per grade level, will be invited to participate in the Northeast Regional Track & Field Meet to be held at A. B. Lucas Secondary School on **Wednesday, May 25th (rain date Thursday, May 26th)**.

### Important Dates:

**LAFI Team Tryouts:** Monday, May 16th and Tuesday, May 17th

**Northeast Regional Track & Field Meet:** Wednesday, May 25th (rain date Thursday, May 26th)



## *Music News!!*



Louise Arbour has been alive with music this spring! Grade 1 students have been learning solfege: understanding how to distinguish different musical pitches. Grade 3 and 4 students have been enthusiastically singing karaoke versions of songs from the film *Encanto*, learning to sing as an ensemble, as well as in solo roles. Grade 5 students re-imagined film endings and created songs to match, composing new song lyrics and even creating original melodies! Grade 6 students have been working on music biographies, while Grade 7 and 8 students have been learning to play ukuleles, with a culminating project of song presentations. Bravo, les élèves de musique! ~Mme Israel

## Information from Grade 9 Math Night

On March 9th, TVDSB hosted a virtual Grade 9 Math Information Night for Grade 8 Families. This night was very well attended. Families were able to have questions answered as they relate to Grade 9 Mathematics. A short video was shown to families that highlights some pedagogical practices that are used in a Grade 9 Math classroom. A link to this video can be found below.

We are excited to continue to support students as they transition from Grade 8 to Grade 9. A full video recording of the Grade Nine Math Information Night presentation can be found by visiting the site below:

<https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/parents/destreaming-in-secondary-schools.aspx>

On this site, and linked below, you will also find a **Self-Directed Learning for Grade 8 Students Entering Grade 9 Math** document. This document is available for Grade 8 students to engage in selfdirected learning as a review of key concepts from Grade 8 in preparation for Grade 9 Math. The concepts outlined in this document are not to be evaluative, but rather to provide sample questions and opportunities to further explore mathematical concepts.

**Inside a Grade 9 Classroom Video:** <https://bit.ly/3iwNvKQ>

**Self-Directed Learning for Grade 8 Students Entering Grade 9 Math:**  
<https://bit.ly/3D28kYc>





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## *Virtual Showcase Concert*

The Variety Is... concert has been a tradition for TVDSB Secondary music programs and the community for over 50 years. Although the pandemic forced the Planning Committee to press pause on this much anticipated and well-attended event, the Arts Portfolio is proud to present a virtual performance of "Variety Is... Showcase Concert 2022."

The Showcase Concert features thirteen secondary ensembles that were able to record performances as part of the Variety Is... project. The virtual performance will premiere on May 4th at 7 a.m. and will be available for viewing on the TVDSB YouTube Channel. Please feel free to share this information with students and the community.

The Variety Is... Concert is made possible through generous donations from our community. If you would like to support the Variety Is... Program, donations can be made at [www.tvdsb.ca/donate](http://www.tvdsb.ca/donate).

The Arts Portfolio wishes to thank all the music educators and students involved in the making of this special performance as well as the Variety Is... Committee Co-Chairs: Lydia Kendell and Shawn Chabot. Planning a project like this takes many hours behind the scenes and we are grateful for the hard work and determination it took to persevere during uncertain times.

We hope you enjoy Variety Is... Showcase Concert 2022!



# Free Gymnastic Program

Rolls, cartwheels, handstands, stretching and more!

**WHO:** boys & girls ages 4-10

**WHEN:** Thu & Fri 6pm-8:30pm\*

\*Classes are 30-45 min. Dates/times to be determined by gymnastics coach upon registration

**WHERE:** Northbrae school gymnasium  
355 Belfield St



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**Register with the Family Centre Carling-Thames**

**-in person at 335 Belfield St**

**-by calling 519-702-6289**

**-by email at [mar55tina@yahoo.com](mailto:mar55tina@yahoo.com)**



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\*Please note: to be eligible for the program the family needs to meet the low income cut off criteria



# FAMILY MENTAL HEALTH AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



May 4th from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Families are invited to a live, virtual session with keynote speaker **Dr. Daphne Korczak**, a Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist at SickKids Hospital.

Dr. Korczak is the Principal Investigator of a collaborative study to understand how public health measures have affected the mental health of children, adolescents and families.



Register at [www.tvdsb.ca/TVPIC](http://www.tvdsb.ca/TVPIC)



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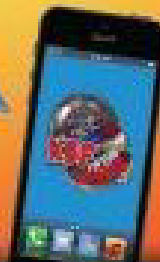
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**1-day course; 9am – 2:30pm**

**July 20th**

**August 24th**

Manual included, please bring a nut-free lunch, snacks & drinks

## Babysitter Course

**Ages 11-14 \$60/ participant**

Ready for more responsibility & eager to be a successful babysitter ?

Join us for a 1-day class where you'll practice required skills and learn what it takes to be an awesome babysitter.

**1-day course; 9am – 4pm**

**June 30th      August 12th**

**July 14th      August 31st**

Manual & pizza lunch with water included.

\* upon registration, please inform staff of any allergies or dietary concerns

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# FREE OR LOW-COST ACTIVITIES ON INVESTING IN CHILDREN'S **KIDS 1ST DAY** FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2022

On the PD Day, Friday, June 3rd, enjoy **free or low-cost** activities at over 45 London locations!

Choose from  
**arts and crafts,**  
**scavenger hunts,**  
**science experiments,**  
**gardening, games,**  
**play parks, museum**  
**visits** and more!



View a full list of participating locations, times and activities as well as a list of prizes that can be won at: [www.investinginchildren.on.ca/kids-first-day](http://www.investinginchildren.on.ca/kids-first-day).

*Kids 1st Day, presented by Investing in Children and sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Forest-City London, is a celebration of all the wonderful opportunities available to London families and the committed people, businesses and organizations that make this city great!*



April 2022

## Home Connections in Mathematics

### Student Generated Algorithms

For most adults, learning to add, subtract, multiply, and divide involved learning standard methods and algorithms. Many adults are proficient in these procedures but many are not and still struggle to be able to justify how to be certain that the resulting solutions make sense. As students learn to understand operations and develop ways of solving problems, they move from counting, to reasoning, to mastery. The development of number sense involves learning reasoning strategies to make sense of calculations.

So, while many of us invested considerable time and effort working with standard methods, student-generated methods act as bridges toward mastery and are instrumental to developing number sense.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

$32 - 9$  is the same as  $32 - 10 + 1$

Students who generate their own strategies:

1. Make fewer errors;
2. Require less re-teaching;
3. Develop number sense;
4. Foster stronger mental computation and estimation skills;
5. Often calculate more efficiently than those using standard algorithms; and
6. Feel more confident about their own abilities.

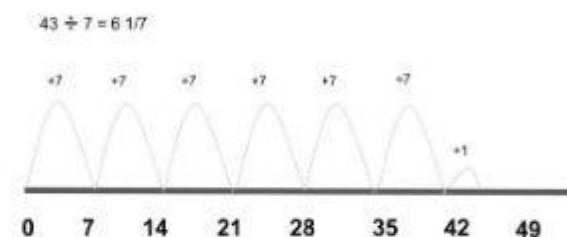
So, encourage sense-making as your child attempts calculations, the methods they use and continue to refine will support their development as successful mathematicians! For more information and reading please check out the following resource at the link below.

[Learning Mathematics Vs Following Rules](#)

### Skip Counting Up/Multiplying to Divide

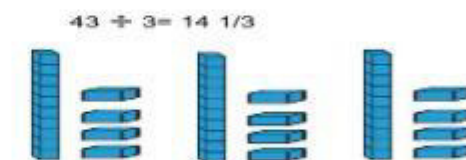
Ex:  $43 \div 7$

Let's find how many times 7 appears in 43.



7 'goes into' or 'scales into' 43 6 times with 1 remaining that don't scale in OR with  $\frac{1}{7}$  of a group of 7 remaining.

Divide Using Base Ten Ex:  $43 \div 3$



Using base ten we can divide 43 into 3 groups which have 14 and  $\frac{1}{3}$  in each group.

### Flexible Division




Flexible division algorithms look similar to the standard "long division" algorithm. The flexible algorithm allows students to use known multiplication facts to decompose the dividend into friendly parts. The parts are subtracted from the whole, until no multiples of the divisor are left. Students keep track of the parts as they are removed.

# Home Connections in Mathematics

## Math Trails!



Now that the warm weather is here, it is a great time to go for a walk or a bike ride and explore the environment around you. While exploring, stop at different spots and find the math along the way. Get outside and enjoy some physical activity, cooperate, and learn in a fun way that helps students see how math is everywhere around them. Try these activities to get you started!

Activities
 <p>Estimate how many hands tall a fence is. Now measure how many hands. Do you get a different number with kid hands and adult hands? Why are these numbers different?</p>
 <p>Run and JUMP! Who jumped the farthest/shortest?</p>
 <p>Look for shapes- how many different shapes can you find on your walk? Name them, talk about what makes a triangle a triangle, for example.</p>




Make a collection of sticks from the yard. Order the sticks from shortest to longest. Can you find a stick that is half the size of another stick? How do you know it's half?




Can you find 6 different rectangles?  
How many sides does a stop sign have?  
What about a yield sign?



How many steps does it take to walk around the playground?



Find 5 rocks and line them up in order from lightest to heaviest.



Time how long it takes to run from lamp post to lamp post.  
How many times can you go down the slide in 1 minute?

Math is all around us so get out and explore!