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Disney Earth movie

By Ashley T., Grade 2

On Friday, May 1, 2009 we saw the "earth" movie and the animals in the movie were so cute. I love them and I just wanted to take them out of the movie theatre and bring them home with me.

I loved the movie "earth". It showed you all about animals in real life and how they live in the wild. The bird fell out of the tree and it actually looked like he was falling and all the birds looked like they were falling from the tree. Another group of birds were up so high in the sky you could barely see them. They were Canada geese and they were very small.

We saw butterflies and they too we could barely see. But we could always see the huge elephants and they were all looking for food and water.

Pitch-In Day

By Sean P., Grade 8

On Tuesday, May 5th all of the students of Thor College spent one class period going up and down the 4th Line picking up garbage to help the environment. We all found some wacky and crazy stuff.

The three years I've been here we always find something cool. The first

year we found a cash register; the second we found a Harry Potter book; and this year we found a sign and a receipt book. Every year we still have lots of fun.



U20 Track and Field

By Brad B., Grade 10

On Wednesday, May 6, 2009, the high school students went to York University to compete in the Under 20 Track and Field meet. There were many events to compete in like the javelin, high jump, and one of the important events, the races.

Throughout the day, many people ran, hopped, stepped, threw, and jumped their way to victory. We all tried our best. We were all victorious in some way. But we had fun, and it was an amazing experience. We have won a few medals from two extraordinary people. Sam S. came in third place in the running long jump, and the 200-meter

race. Daniel P. came in 2nd place in the javelin throw.

There were other schools that were competing this year like Fieldstone, and Bond Academy. Overall, TCMPS won the most medals this year. It was a great day to compete. It was sunny all morning and afternoon, and we liked every last minute of it. We all had fun, and we did our best. Congratulations on those who competed in track and field, and we will be there next year.



Garland G. - Javelin throw

Elementary Track

By Acadia B., Grade 5

On Your Mark! Get Set! Go!! This is what was said a lot on Thursday, May 7, 2009. Thor College elementary students ran races including the relay, the 1500m, the 100m, and the 400m. Here are some quotes from the runners: Zach C. said, "It was tiring!" Alex B. said, "It was pretty good and fun". Kaitlyn M. said, "It was really fun and gave me time away from school but also to help represent the school".

Ryan M. and Zachary C. both won bronze for the standing long jump. So all in all I think everyone deserves a gold medal.

McMichael Art Gallery

By Emily D., Grade 2

The McMichael gallery was very fun. It had lots of art, all kinds of art. When we were walking through the gallery, I saw statues and they were very cool. All the art was very good and some of the art looked like pictures, not paint.

After we went to see all the art, we got to make our own art then bring it home. The girl that told us what the stuff was, told us about things that people used a very long time ago. It was very cool. She let us feel it, it felt cool and the girl told us about the totem poles. We got to see the totem poles. I was amazed the totem poles were so big. That was very fun.



Our students at the McMichael Gallery

Animal Projects

By Adam M., Grade 2

Animal projects are great things. You can learn about different animals. This year my animal project was on a Hedgehog. I picked this project because I think hedgehogs are cute.

Hannah's project was on the Tasmanian devil, Jessica's project was on baby dwarf bunnies, and Ashley's

project was on the horse. Emily's project was on the crested gecko, Kaleb's project was on the Canadian Lynx, Sarah's project was on frogs, and Michael's project was on chimps.

My favourite project was Ryan's. It was on the croc. I liked his project because crocs are fast and cool.

The winners of the animal projects are as follows:

Primary (Grade 1-3)

3rd place – Lucas P.

Ashley T.

2nd place – Sabrina W.

1st place – Dryden C.

Junior (Grades 4-6)

3rd place – Farhan K.

2nd place – Jacob T.

1st – Alan D.

Senior (Grades 7-8)

3rd place – Dallas P.

2nd place – Jordan B.

1st place – Carter C.

Secondary (Grades 9-12)

3rd place – Dan L.

2nd place – Brad B.

1st place – Dan P.



U12 Co-Ed Soccer

By Jacob T., Grade 6

On Friday, May 15, The Rosedale Day School hosted the Invitational Soccer Tournament at Varsity Stadium in downtown Toronto. We arrived with only ten minutes until our first game. We had a quick practice and then started our first game, which we lost 9-0. Our second game the score was 4-1 for the other team. We didn't do well in our third game either, but in the last game we came back strong and almost tied it.

It was great to be in downtown Toronto and even though we lost all our games, we still had fun!

U14 Boys Soccer

By Carter C., Grade 7

On Tuesday, May 26th Thor's U14 soccer team went to Shephard's Bush in Aurora for a soccer tournament. The team included: Sean P., Jordan B., Dallas P., Brandon S., Jacob T., Farhan K., Luke H., Dan L., Dan P., and Carter C.

The first game we lost 0-7. The second game we did great and tied 3-3. The 3rd game we lost 1-5 and we lost the last game 0-4. The whole team had fun, worked hard and even got to enjoy Mrs. Bryan's cookies and brownies.

School Play
The Aristocats Kids
 By Elizabeth H., Grade 5

The play on Thursday, May 21st at Thor College, The Aristocats, was the best play yet. Before we started everyone who was an actor had to get his or her face painted. Miss Evans and Miss Van Ness painted faces for the dogs, cats, alley cats, aristocrats and the mouse.

The Kindergartens performed two songs. The boys were cats and sang Cat Wash, and the girls were geese and sang The Gabby Girls. Then the Grade 1 & 2 class performed Everybody Wants to be a Cat and they were wearing top hats and had batons.

Then the play began with Madame played by Samantha S., her cat Duchess played by Acadia B., and all the kittens. Edgar, played by Daniel L., was a very funny butler who pretended to love the kittens, but then he hatched a plan to get rid of them. An alley cat named Thomas O'Malley, played by Austin H., and the Army Dogs helped the kittens get back home.



During intermission there were delicious snacks and drinks for everyone. Thank you to all the parents who brought a treat. The Grade 3-4 band and the Grade 5-6 band each played 2 pieces and then the Act 2 began.

The play was very well done and we look forward to next year's production.



Our Students' Work



CONGRATULATIONS
JESSICA DEAN!

JESSICA PLACED 2nd AT THE
GRADE 2 LEVEL
POLAR EXPRESSIONS POETRY
CONTEST.

JESSICA'S POEM WILL BE
PUBLISHED IN THE FOLLOWING
BOOKS: *Harbour, In Dreams,
Reflections, and Going Places*

WAY TO GO JESSICA!

Here is Jessica's winning poem:

Boo, the Ghost

I had a friend named Boo, the ghost.
 He sat sadly upon a post.
 He thought everybody was scared of
 him,
 Because he always looked so grim.
 He really was a friendly ghost,
 And only wanted a friend, the most.
 I went to him to let him know,
 And I said, "Boo, please don't go!
 I think you are really nice.
 Come with me to get some ice."
 And so I asked Boo to come along,
 And he became my friend!

Thor College Student Council

Throughout the 2008/2009 school year student council has been running some fund raisers A fund raiser we developed was the Candy Grams, we sold *Christmas Candy Grams* and *Valentines Kabobs*. Between both fundraisers we made \$214.34. A portion of this money went to purchasing the Primary school two basketball nets that were height appropriate, because they had seen the bigger kids playing basketball and were not yet tall enough to use the big nets.

Another fundraiser that Student Council held was the *Spaghetti Dinner*. This night was a huge success!! Student Council ended up raising \$846 with the help of Mrs. Bryan's generous *Gift Basket* donations that we were able to auction off. All the money that was

raised went towards the Grade 7 to 12 camping trip!

Throughout the entire school year student council has had three ongoing fundraisers; the *Pop Tab, Bottle Drive* and *Coin Drive*. These fundraisers were also a great success! The High school class was the winners of the Pop Tab's who raised 7 lbs. In total the school raised 13.08 lbs to be donated to the Ronald McDonald House to help make a wheel chair. The high school donated their ice cream party to the Kindergarten class. The coin drive raised a total of \$155 between all the classes. Mr. Smith's class was the overall winner of this fundraiser with \$55.94, receiving an ice cream party as well! All the money that was raised from the coin drive is being donated to the charity *A Right To Play*. Over the entire year the bottle drive raised \$68.70. This money is being put towards soccer netting for the nets down at the field.

Student Council is very happy with all the fundraisers and the money raised. We want to thank everyone that participated in any one of the fund raisers held throughout the year, your support is greatly appreciated.

Thor College Parents' Association

Dear Thor College Parents and Students

The end of the school year is upon us, and so it has come to another end of our fundraising year for the TCPA! We at the **Thor College Parents' Association** would like to inform every one of the great things we have accomplished this year. Due to the wonderful support we enjoyed this year in the school, the TCPA has been able to improve our school environment for all of our children. As a result of your support we have been able to:

*Host our annual, fabulous **Snowball**. We had a fantastic turnout, and all had a great evening. This is our main social event for the year, and we hope everyone plans on attending the 2009-2010 Snowball. This will be a HUGE event, as this will be the 30th Anniversary Gala and all alumni are invited.

*Create a **new website** designed for you the parents, and for the use of the TCPA. It is now complete. Please take a look and let us know how you like it! We added some key features that will help everyone, even the parents that are unable to attend our meetings, participate in our great work. There is a volunteer board, a suggestion box, a voting forum, and lots more. It is our hope that this website will facilitate some great things for our future.

*Purchase a **complete set of dishes** for

our new kitchen. There are water/wine goblets, all flatware, dinner, salad, dessert plates, coffee cups and saucers, and small bowls for ice cream and the like. The use of the kitchen has vastly improved allowing all of our students and staff to enjoy "Chef Jeffery's" delicious meals, now and in the coming years. This was a major purchase totaling \$1917.12.

* **Donate \$370 to this year's graduation event.**

***Grant wishes for the teachers and their classrooms.** This is the second year we have been able to do this, purchasing items the teachers feel would improve the learning environment here at Thor College.

*Host our first annual **Spring Fling!** All who attended had a great time, which was most of our school! We intend on repeating this success next year, so watch for the Spring Fling!

*Purchase materials for the "Red-Greens" and the Art group to construct a **soundproofing system for our music room.**

*Purchase **TCPA T-shirts!** Anyone who attended the Spring Fling likely noticed our great new shirts that identify us to all of you! It was great for the kids too to know who was organizing that event. We will wear them with pride in the hopes that it helps everyone find someone when they need them. (We will unfortunately NOT be wearing them at the Snowball.)

We would like to sincerely thank each and every one of you who helped us out this year, by attending our events and supporting our fundraisers! **THANK YOU!!**

We are ready to begin another great year in September with our first meeting being held on **September 11th, at 9am in the TCPA office** (above the Pre-K room). Please come out, bring your friends, and get involved! We love to have new members, and volunteers for our events. Remember to use the TCPA website when you can! (www.thorcollege.ca/TCPA)

Thank you,
Thor College Parents' Association

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We, at Thor College, would like to thank everyone for a great school year and wish you all a great summer. We will see you next year!!