

## Annual General Meeting -Wilkinson School Council

It has been a very busy year at Wilkinson! The Wilkinson Parent Council is an active group who are dedicated to enriching the academic lives of Wilkinson students and ensuring that parents are informed. I'd like to thank all of the members of this year's Council and other parent volunteers who contribute their time and energy to enhance the Wilkinson experience for the students and the community. I'd also like to take this opportunity to highlight some of what we've been able to accomplish this year through their efforts and commitment:

1. Parent outreach and community building through events like our Wil-Kitchen cooking evenings, garden clean-up party, badminton game nights as well as our movie nights and Pumpkinfest which also double as fundraisers. It is also worth noting the incredible support that Wilkinson parents provided towards Earl Grey in their "Save Our School Pools" fundraising drive.
2. Support of Wilkinson's focus on literacy and the arts by providing funding for the school with visiting authors and performances for all grades.
3. Keeping Wilkinson green and promoting environmental awareness through our ongoing Learning Garden Revitalization.
4. Keeping parents informed through regular newsletters, our Web site and welcoming new parents at kindergarten registration.

The Council meets monthly to provide input to the principal and staff on issues that affect our children. Some parents stay on the Council for a few years but each year members move on and we would like to ensure that the Council remains vibrant and representative of our school population.

So when the Council nomination forms come home in September, we encourage you to consider putting your name forward to become a Council member!

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on June 7th. Our final financial position for the year was presented at this meeting and will be available in detail on our Web site later this month. Net profit from fundraisers held during the year, including fun fair, movie nights, direct donations, pizza lunches, etc., was \$24,000. Activities funded during the year, including Scientists in the School, Silver Birch reading program, Art performances, etc was \$18,000.

On behalf of the Council, have an amazing summer!

**Paula Weekes Kahn**  
Chair, Wilkinson Parent Council

### Staffing Model

Find below a tentative overview of the staff model (pending any teacher moves) for the 2010/2011 school year.

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Gr. 6  
FE Gr. 4  
FE Gr. 5  
FI Gr. 6  
Phys. Ed.  
Music  
Core French  
Library  
Special Ed.

Katherine Wareham  
Marianna Di Iorio  
Rachel Ault  
Alexandra Cheatley  
Chris Low  
Lindsey Stelmanis  
Lisa DiModugno  
Helen Mangos  
Ruth Allen  
Kally Nastos  
Chris Enticknap  
Adelia Cerqueira  
Jackie Currie  
Ted Mahovich  
Marianne Bartkiw  
Mike Banton  
Jean Marc DePasqua  
Elizabeth Cooke  
Margaret Mahovich  
Manmohan Panesar  
Craig Kasaval  
Batya Levy  
Sophie Barbier  
Joel Krentz  
Steve Pirso, Sean Cross,  
Diane Zafred, Stacey Gitlin

**Leasa Adams**  
Vice Principal

### Tree Dedication Fundraiser

Our Principal, Ms. Sterioff, is retiring! To celebrate the 11 years she dedicated to Wilkinson, the staff and students will plant a tulip tree in the school yard. We're inviting our school families to bring in a loonie or a toonie between June 21st and June 25th to help purchase Ms. Sterioff's tree. There will be a donation jar outside of Room 3 between 8:30 and 9:00 am and from 3:15 until 3:45 every day. In the fall, there will be a school celebration when the tree will be planted.

### Volunteers Needed

We are looking for parent volunteers to help with the kindergarten and grade one snack program. Volunteers are needed for 30 minutes in the morning or afternoon. If you are able to assist us, please let the office know before the end of June.

## Fun Fair 2010

A heartfelt thank you goes to all of the families and staff at Wilkinson who volunteered their time, both in the planning and running of our fabulous annual event. A shout out, too, to the staff of Dandy Lion Daycare, who came out with their families to volunteer on outside activities.

It is thanks to over 700 hours our volunteers put in that made our Fun Fair the success that it was. Thank you to all the families who came out to support the day. Through all of these efforts we raised over \$16,000 towards initiatives to support our students and their learning environment at Wilkinson!

### April Moon

Chair, Fun Fair Committee

### Silent Auction

Don't miss this opportunity to bid for some late entries to our Silent Auction. Contact Sarah Gillespie [alexgill@pathcom.com](mailto:alexgill@pathcom.com) if you would like to purchase one of these items. No reasonable offer will be refused!

- Cats Drama Children's Theatre Arts School - Summer Camp Location @ Broadview/Danforth - Aug. 3 x 2 wks. Ages 3-14 must register for 2wks \*Value \$343 \*\*Suggested minimum \$100
- Curves - 2 Month Gift Certificate & T-shirt Value \$200
- DVD Guys Set (Pool Hall Junkies, Enemy At The Gate, Aviator) Value \$30
- Factory Theatre - Loretta Production (Hilarious Comedy) Bathurst/Adelaide- June 2 -27 - A voucher to exchange for 2 Tickets \*Value \$70
- Great Glasses - Gift Certificate \$50 & Glass Cleaner \*Value \$50
- Hatley Raincoat Girls - Prancing Ponies, Sz.5, Pink \*Value \$50
- Japan Martial Arts Centre - 1 Month Free classes \*Value \$140 \*\*Suggested minimum \$30
- Japan Martial Arts Centre - 2 Weeks Free Classes \*Value \$80
- Mad Science - \$50 Towards a Birthday Party \*Value \$50
- Ross Petty Christmas Production "Beauty & Beast" - A Voucher to exchange for 2 Primo Seats Value \$100
- The Space Full Week Dance Camp OR Theatre Camp Performance @ Centre of Gravity \*Value \$320 \*Suggested minimum \$100
- ZebraGator - Creative Services 4hrs - Design an invite, Design a logo, retouch some old photo's (2 offers available) \*Value \$200 \*\*Suggested minimum \$75
- Zumba Fitness - Dance Party Free CD & Bracelet \*Value \$50

### U2 Ticket Winners

Congratulations go out to Ruby Lederman and Lucy Barron!

### Fun Fair 2010



## Important Dates

### FRI. JUNE 18TH

Play Day

Badminton Night - 6.30pm to 8.00pm in the gym

### MON. JUNE 21ST

Kindergarten Graduation

9.00 - 9.30am (AM)

1.00 - 1.30pm (PM)

### MON. JUNE 21ST - FRI. JUNE 25TH

Daily collection drive starts for Ms. Sterioff's Tree in front of Room 3: 8.30-9.00am & 3.15-3.45pm

### TUES. JUNE 22ND

Grade Six Cruise 9.30am - 2.30pm

### FRI. JUNE 25TH

Reports go home.

Badminton Night - 6.30pm to 8.00pm in the gym

### MON. JUNE 28TH

Grade Six Graduation 4.00 - 5.30pm

### TUES. JUNE 29TH

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

### WED. JUNE 30TH

P.A. Day - NO SCHOOL

### MON. AUG. 30TH

Front Office opens

### TUES. SEPT. 7TH

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!

### FRI. SEPT. 10TH

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### THU. SEPT 23RD

Curriculum Night

Parent Council Elections

## Fun Fair 2010 Donor List

Thanks go out to our generous donors and sponsors that supported our Fun Fair this year!

7 Numbers - Air Combat Zone - Aji Sai - Alborz Taekwondo Academy - Al-phadogz - Astoria - Athina Floral Boutique - Bad Dog Theatre - Barberian's - Big Carrot - Bills Garden Centre - BizzyBee Playcentre - Black Creek Pioneer Village - BlockBuster - BMW - Bob & Paige - Bowmanville Zoo - Bulldog Interactive Fitness - Bushwood Markham - Caffè Demetre - Canada's Wonderland - Canadian Children's Opera Company - Casa Di Giorgio Ristorante - Casa Loma - Cats Drama - CBC - Hockey Night - Citra Hair Salon - CNE - Corporation of Massey Hall and Roy Thomson Hall - Court Jester - Curves - CyclePath - Danforth Bowl - Danforth Dragon - Domino's Pizza - Drysdale & Co - Dukem - East York Gymnastics Club - East York Soccer Club - El Pipin - El Sol - Elite Music - Energia - Euro Crepe Cafe - Extreme Fitness - Factory Theatre - Felcia's - Fight Club Martial Arts & Fitness - Fox & Fiddle - Fresh From the Farm - Friendly Greek - Fun Girls Spa Parties - Funnelz - Gabby's - Giftings - Global Pet Foods - Globe Bistro - Golden Griddle - Henna Art [Tarquin Singh] - Hockey Hall of Fame - Inspire - IQ Living - Japan Martial Arts Centre - Joy of Dance - Kalyvia - Kitchen Roots - Kristapson's - La Cabana Mexican - La Di Da Boutique - Leasa Adams - Legacy Cycling Studios - Leslie McLean - Licks - Lippert Music Centre on Pape - LoveGan - Luc Sculpture - Luminato - Mad Science - Magic Oven - Markham Green Golf Club - Marks Work Warehouse - Megas - Melanie's Bistro - Messini - Mezes - Mirvish Productions - Mocha Mocha - Moksha Hot Yoga - Mong-Kut Thai Gold/Mong Thai Kut - MOSS - Motorama - Mr.Greek - My Dog Spot - Mysteriously Yours - Ontario Place - Ontario Science Centre - Pan on the Danforth - Pantheon - Pappa's Grill - Patricia Ahern Violin Lessons - Patris - Pegasus Dance Studio - Perfect Princess - Pet Value - Pizza Nova - Pizza Pizza - Playdium - Power Soccer - Reeves Garden & Home - Riverdale Fitness - Ross Petty - Salon Elias - Salvation Corp/4th Sense - Second City - Shopper's Drugmart - Silk Road - Small Wonders Petemporium - Smart Camps - Solar Stage - Sony Centre - Soul Pepper - Sportball - Sportplay - Sportsnet - Square Boy - Stop Variety - Stratengers - Sugar Me Up... - Sugar Moon - Sushi Delight Japanese Rest - Sweet Tooth - Tafelmusik - Ten thousand Villages - Thai on Danforth - The Artists Garden Co-Operative - The Cooks Place - The Old Nick - The Old Spaghetti Factory - The Only Cafe - The Only/The One - The Palace Restaurant - The Rectory Cafe - The Red Tent Sisters - The Space - TicketKing - Tips Nail Spa - Top Cuts - Toronto Argonauts - Toronto FC - Toronto Raptors - Toronto Symphony Orchestra - Toronto Zoo - Twisted Yoga - Urban Nails - Whistler's - Wild Water Kingdom - Wimpy's Diner - Wingrove Message Therapy - Winners/HomSense - Yuk Yuk's - Zorbas - Zumba Fitness ...and also including...  
7-Eleven stores - April Moon - Atomic Age - BJ Supermarkets - Bona Pizza - Card's Bakery Kingston - Carol Bennett - Caruso - Crescent - CTV - Dash Kitchens - Dave and Charlotte's No Frills - Dough Bakeshop - Dr. Kostas Papadopoulos - European Meats - Fermentations - Fly Girl Fitness - Food Basics Pape - Fresh Express Fine Foods - Gina Athanasiou - Great Glasses - Grilltime - Halal Delights - IGA /Food land Danforth - Iqbal Foods - Jack's No Frills - Jan and Grant Loucks - Jill Spellman - John Galibraith - Katie McNeill - Krinos - Lorraine Kisma Theatre for Young People - Loblaws Broadview - Loblaws Leslie/Lakeshore - Loblaws Millwood - M&M Meats - Madina Halal - Madinah Masjid's Camp of Beleaf - Marselli's - Mister Greek Meat Markets-Par-Pak - Patricia Ahern - Ruby Lederman - Sarah Foxall - Seacore - Sobey's Broadview - Steve Pirso - Leasa Adams-Strictly Bulk - Treasure Island Toys - Vesna Grujic - Wright Family of Kingston - YTV - Zebmagator (Gerald Flach) - Zelinde Kaiser.

## Community News

### Parent /Caregiver Drop-in at St. David's Church

St. David's Anglican Church (the red brick building in the block just south of the school - 49 Donlands Avenue) is planning to offer a weekly drop-in for parents/caregivers in the community beginning in September 2010. It is hoped that this will be run cooperatively with a group of parents from Wilkinson. St. David's is hoping to recruit 8 or 9 local parents or caregivers willing to help run the drop-in.

The purpose of this program is to reduce the stress and isolation of at-home care-giving and to build a stronger network of relationships between people in the community. The drop-in would provide an opportunity for Wilkinson and other local parents and caregivers to relax and talk together, with coffee, tea and healthy snacks provided, as well as toys for preschool children to play with.

If the group decides that they want programming (activities or information/presentations), we can develop this. As a cooperatively run program, it will be what the participants choose to make it!

Whether you are interested in helping run this program — or would just like to attend — please email [st.davids\\_dropin@digitaljive.com](mailto:st.davids_dropin@digitaljive.com) to indicate your interest.

### Camp of BeLeaf

Are you looking for a fun, educational and Islamic way to have your daughter spend her summer? This July 2010, Madinah Masjid's Camp of BeLeaf for Muslim girls is back by popular demand for its fourth year! For more information please visit [www.campbeleaf.webs.com](http://www.campbeleaf.webs.com) or pick up a flyer and registration form from Madinah Masjid (located at 1015 Danforth Ave). Feel free to email any questions or concerns to [campbeleaf@gmail.com](mailto:campbeleaf@gmail.com). See you there!

### Help Keep Earl Grey's Pool Open... Let's Use It!

Earl Grey Pool will be available for private rentals - ideal for Birthday Parties - on Sundays from either 1.00 -2.00pm or 2.00 - 3.00pm. If interested contact Ruby Lederman at [rbylederman@sympatico.ca](mailto:rbylederman@sympatico.ca) (Reference subject line: Help Keep Early Grey's Pool Open- Let's Use it!) Cost will be approximately \$100/hr for one lifeguard with a maximum of 29 swimmers. Two lifeguards for 45 swimmers.

## Contact Us

Go to our Web site at [www.wilkinsonschoo.ca](http://www.wilkinsonschoo.ca) or leave a message at (416) 393-9575.

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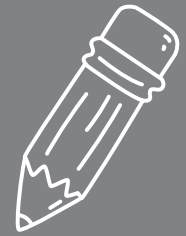
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# Wilkinson Newsletter



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## Principal's Message

We have now begun the month of June. I can't believe that the time has gone so quickly!! It has been my pleasure to serve as your Acting Principal this term. It has been a very busy time for all of us at the school. We have completed the staffing process and can now provide you with the details of our staff organization. Please see Ms. Adams' message for this information.

As you will see this is a time of transitions and passages for a few of our staff. **Mr. Carrigan** has retired and will now be off to enjoy this next stage of life. **Mr. Esse** is transferring to Market Lane Public School for next year. **Ms. Tweedy** has rejoined the ranks of our TDSB Occasional Teachers as we welcome the return of **Mr. Cross**. **Ms King** will also be returning to Occasional Teaching next year. I would like to thank these teachers for their outstanding professional service to our school. We will miss them!

We are very pleased to announce that as a result of our staffing process, **Mr. Kasaval** will now become a full time teacher at Wilkinson. **Mr. Krentz** will become our Teacher - Librarian. He is moving here from Earl Grey. **Mr. Panesar**, currently a teacher at J.S. Woodsworth, will take over the Grade 6 Immersion Program. **Ms. Cheatley** will join our Kindergarten Team from Ernest P.S., and **Ms. Barbier** will become our Core French Teacher. She is currently continuing her studies while on leave from Queen Alexandra School. I know that you will join me in welcoming our new staff to our school!

We also have some staff who will be getting married this summer. I would like to congratulate **Ms. Ault** and her fiancé as well as **Ms. Nastos** and **Mr. De Pasqua**. We wish them all the best for future happiness as they begin this new adventure!!

Of course, we cannot forget **Ms Tanya Sterioff**, who has been your Principal for the past eleven years. She has been an exemplary Principal and a valued colleague. We will all miss her great sense of humour, her professionalism and her dedication to the Wilkinson Community. All the best, Tanya as you begin your retirement.

I would also like to welcome, **Mr. Allan Kelly**, who will be your Principal beginning in September. Allan is currently the Principal at Morse Street Public School. He brings with him a great deal of experience as a teacher and a Principal in our school board. He is a friend and a colleague who is looking forward to being here in the new school year as he has been in our school several times over the years and has met and worked with several of our staff. We have already been talking about the transition for September. I know that you will join me in a wonderful Wilkinson welcome for Allan.

I would again like to say that it has been an honour and a privilege to serve as your Principal for the last three months of the school year. The Wilkinson community opened its arms to me to make me feel welcome at every turn. Your support of our staff and our students and your volunteer work with us makes this a very special school. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity.

I would like to add my personal thanks to Vice Principal **Leasa Adams** for her help and assistance to me while at Wilkinson. She has been an invaluable resource and has helped make this a memorable experience.

Kudos also goes to our Office Staff, **Ms. Sofic** and **Ms. Buchan** who welcome all of us as we come into the school each day.

A special thank you to **Rudy Ilag** and his caretaking team for their efforts to keep our building and grounds clean and safe.

Thank you to our **teaching and support staff** whose professionalism, caring and commitment continues to inspire me every day!

Have a safe and happy summer holiday. The Wilkinson staff looks forward to working with you again in September.

**George Rowell**  
Acting Principal