

NewsFlash!



ESD consultants are busy giving workshops to teachers, supporting exams and organizing numerous events such as Robotics, Battle of the Books and Qui Lira Vaincra!

ESD & SSD hosted School Success Teams from each of the elementary and secondary schools. Each school was given time to work on their school success plans.

April 24th, is a Board wide Pedagogical day for elementary schools. The theme is Spring into action, give your teaching a new twist/À la faveur du printemps, donnons un coup de balai dans nos pratiques...

Our 3rd Educational Technology Summer Institute will be held on May 15th, June 26th and June 29th at Lakeside Academy. This year's edtech institute will be on digital storytelling in the classroom. Our keynote presenters for May 15th are Darren Kuropatwa and Greg Kulowiec.

Michael Chechile and Marie Wahba

Daycare

J. Levac

Daycare Tech's conference @ Manoir St-Sauveur on March 17th & 18th. 74 participants from across Quebec English School Board took part! Brian Smith offered Managing Others & Living to Tell About It & we had Mark Massarelli Principal of Wilder Penfield, facilitate a Networking session entitled Techniques for Technicians.

Physical Education and Health

- Many of our Phys Ed teachers participated in an introductory Google session on the February 6th introductory Google session on Professional Day.
- Plans are underway for the annual basketball tournament which will be held on April 24th at 7 different venues.

Elementary English Language Arts

- In-service professional development was given to Allion, Greendale, St. Lawrence Academy Junior and Sunshine elementary schools.
- The grade 4 English Language Arts exam "Inspiration Through Sound" is about to begin.

POP, Entrepreneurship, Lab Safety, Work-Placement C. Pratt

- Work-Placement Animators attended a Google training session tailored to their needs and they are continuing the transition to Google.
- Career Development educators attended a province-wide mentoring professional development day with presentations and breakout sessions given by Career Cruising, The Learning Partnership and fellow educators.

Français langue seconde, préscolaire/primaire H-A Denton

- On se prépare pour la première édition de l'événement Qui lira, vaincra! Junior ayant lieu le 8 avril à la commission scolaire.
- Cette année, le thème de la situation d'évaluation en 4e année explore les différentes façons dont les animaux comblent nos besoins. Les enseignants ont reçu les documents et la période d'évaluation débutera la semaine du 30 mars.

Nutrition Education

R. Chiappetta & M. Cardin

- Lessons on food labeling were given to St. Thomas Gr. 9 and 10 students as part of their cooking class. In collaboration with a French teacher at Lakeside
- Academy High School, students presented a cooking show in French.

Elementary Mathematics

R. Binet & C. Brunet

- Focussing on the development of evaluation tools with teachers at all grade levels.
- Familiarization sessions were held to support teachers for the Grade 3 & 5 Math Exams.

Educational Technology

B. Hannah

- Organizational support for 2015 Montreal Regional Science
- & Technology Fair Google Apps for Education workshops & training for teachers from several schools

Univers Social, Science & Technologie

- Suite à la visite scolaire au Texas et à la convention de la NASA, plusieurs présentations ont été mises en place pour partager les nouvelles ressources et l'expérience vécue. L'équipe travaille à la création de tutoriels qui seront partagés sur la chaîne d'ESD. Cette année nous avons
- Cette année nous avons plus de 15 équipes qui participeront à Robocup jr.

Digital Citizenship & Educational Technology S. Connery

- Providing support to teachers and students for:
- 1. iPad integration into the classroom as a pedagogical learning tool
- 2. Google training and integration

WOTP, Projet Particulier and EXPLO

P. Gilson

The third Mentoring session for WOTP teachers will take place on Tuesday March 24, 2015. Some of our High Schools will be submitting applications for a Projet Particulier. This projet targets Grade 9 students who will be 15 as of September 30, 2015.

Pearson Community Partnership

N. Battet

- Grade 6 career days held at Greendale(March 20), Forest Hill Senior (March 27), St. Anthony (April 16)
- 412 entrepreneurship projects submitted. Projects will now be judged for the Contest April 2, 2015. Winning projects will be submitted to the Regional level in Montreal and Monteregie.

Community Liaison/RRM

M. Albert

Congratulations to the LCCHS Sonic Howl Team and Lakeside Academy LA Tech Teams they both competed in the First Robotics Competition at Uniprix Stadium. LCCHS Sonic Howl won the Creativity Engineering Award for outstanding design of their robot. Mayor Denis Coderre even stopped by to check it out.

Evaluation/Sanction des études M. Mazzarelli

- Presentation to secondary resource teachers on 'Exam Adaptations' to support students with special needs. Presentation to secondary school teams on 'Planning and
- Decision Making for Student Success'.

CFER Riverdale A.Scarano

- As Spring slowly approaches and you start your big clean up remember that CFER Riverdale is there to accept all of your Electronic materials that are destined to be thrown out.
- Think of our Environment and call CFER Riverdale at 514-684-2337 before throwing out that old TV or toaster or iron or computer we will dispose of it safely for you.

Secondary Cycle One Math

J. Le Blanc

Completing work on cycle one Math exams for June.

M. Albert Leadership

Leadership Board Camp will be taking place on April 30th-May 1st. Rob Dyer from Skate 4 Cancer will be the Keynote speaker.

DCP, Ethics & Religious Culture

K. Meldrum

- Continuing to provide professional development for teachers in the implementation of Google Apps for Education.
- Providing many workshops on Teaching and Learning Ideas using GAFE.

CFER Lasalle

- CFER LaSalle has been the recipient of a special grant from the Pearson Educational Foundation, which they used to purchase a Forklift so that they can start growing their
- Thank you to the Foundation and all of its Board members for recognizing the need and CFER LaSalle.

Secondary English Language Arts

- Producing new PD video "Read Around the Text" Producing database of "sophisticated picture books" for Sec ELA

School & Professional Libraries, Cultural & Intercultural Programs, 4Arts S.Nesbitt

21st Century Library project is ongoing at Mac, LPHS and PCHS. Plans are made and ordering is on its way! Battle of the Books is in the final planning stages for upcoming battles on April 16 and 23 at 7 p.m. The Blue Met/BHS project, Unearth our Past, held at BHS is going well; there will be a book laurach of student works. well; there will be a book launch of student works and photos at the Blue Met Festival on April 23.

Media Support

J. Le Blanc

Creating a video featuring Larry Patenaude's students from Horizon H.S. who have created Hip-Hop poetry and performed it for the LBPSB Council of Commissioners.

Social Studies

J. Zachariou

- Creation of an English review booklet for the Secondary 4 history students. The booklet will help students prepare for the MELS Uniform exam in June. The French version will be available shortly.
- Dan Parker will be visiting high schools to give rap workshops to students.

School Libraries & Information Literacy R. Dixon

Presented a workshop on using Creative Commons at the

February 6th Professional Day.
Helped organize the MELS Library Symposium with other members of the Quebec School Librarians Network (QSLiN)

Secondary Science and Technology, Cycle 2 Mathematics

Planned and facilitated 2 workshops for using GAFE in the math and science classrooms and invited outside presenters to offer workshops on the online tools Geogebra and Plotly for the Feb 6th board-wide ped day. The development of June and August exams continued. Worked with teachers and consultants to develop, validate

and edit exams for math and science.

School Libraries, Cataloguing, Information Literacy, M. Sinclair

Library-related work: ongoing automation of one elementary and one secondary library; Google Drive training for library technicians; Battle of the Books support Digital resource grant work: spring ordering now in

progress

Français langue seconde, secondaire M. Delsemme

Encadrement de 6 enseignants de FLS, pendant 6 journées, pour la création d'activités pédagogiques à partir de capsules d'information du Journal de Montréal, dans le but d'explorer la notion de séquences textuelles.

Sélection de nouvelles épreuves de fin d'année pour les 2e, 3e et 4e secondaire à partir de BIM, relecture et validation.













ESD's Journey to 21st Century Learning