



Courcelette Public School

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GRADE RANGE: JK to 8

Interesting Feature

Our Veterans Make a Difference!

The primary students of Courcelette have been very fortunate to work over the years with a number of World War II veterans who have volunteered at our school. In honour of one such volunteer, the Harry Stone Primary Literacy Award has been established to honour a primary student who has made the most progress in reading.

"Thinking Globally, Acting Locally"

Established in 1911, Courcelette Public School has a long history of providing excellent programs to a well established community. The school is located on Fallingbrook Road south of Kingston Road and east of Victoria Park Avenue in the Beach. Courcelette serves 330 students and is a small Kindergarten to Grade 8 community school. Our school aspires to provide a strong academic foundation in a rich learning environment. We endeavour to support each child striving for excellence. We are committed to enhancing each child's sense of self worth, appreciation and understanding of our diverse Canadian culture. Courcelette encourages parent and community participation in the educational process.

A Rich History

Our school is named after a famous battle in World War I, which took place in the village of Courcelette near the Somme River in France. The front foyer of the school is graced with a beautiful period painting of that famous battle flanked by the

Canadian and British flags with a substantial colourized photo of her Majesty the Queen. Traditions new and old are a vital part of the fabric of our school with many of our students' parents and even some grandparents having attended Courcelette.



More Information about Courcelette Public School

Our Vision: "High Expectations, High Achievement"

Courcelette prides itself on academic excellence in both Literacy and Numeracy. We have been the proud recipient of the Garfield Weston Award for Academic Excellence, acknowledging our school as one of the top performing schools in Ontario. Our students benefit from a small school environment where dedicated, committed staff work in partnership with our parent community.



Schoolwide Sustainability Focus

We are committed to teaching and learning the ideals and principles of sustainability. Through participation in a variety of activities, our students are understanding that sustainability is more than just the environment and that it encompasses social, economic and environmental factors as well as human interactions that impact our society as a whole.



Student Success

At Courcelette we are committed to reaching out to the community. Our intermediate students are active leaders in Me to We activities within the school and out in the community. Their leadership engages all of our students as they plan school based events raising money for Free the Children, the Sick Kid's Foundation and Unicef.



Caring and Safe Schools

At Courcelette we strive to foster a safe, caring and inclusive learning environment for all students. Through character education, social justice initiatives, community outreach programs and leadership opportunities we strive to instill the qualities students will need to be successful and productive citizens of the global community.



Additional Features

- Speech Arts
- Clubs and Teams
- Orff Program
- Vocal Program
- School Musical
- Intermediate Instrumental Music
- Eco-School Status
- Forest of Reading Programs Gr. 1-8

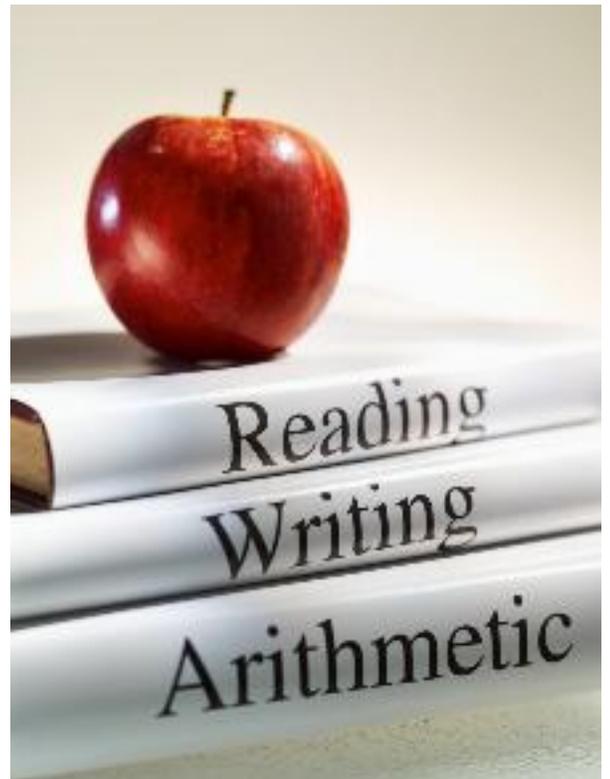
Student Life - Where You Belong

There is something for everyone at Courcelette. The athletic season is book ended with cross country and track and field teams that draw over 100 athletes from the school. For a small school Courcelette makes its presence known at area and city meets. Teams cover a wide range of sports including volleyball, soccer, basketball, softball, ice hockey and ultimate Frisbee. There are intramural sports for the primary students e.g., floor hockey. In addition to athletics, the Arts are an integral part of school life. Instrumental music is offered to our intermediate students. Recorder, ukulele and vocal programs are offered to a number of our primary and junior classes. Other highlights include a holiday concert, spring theatrical production and a speech arts competition. Every month students' achievements are celebrated at our sharing assemblies. The senior students are encouraged to take on leadership roles by mentoring younger students through our Character Education and our Mindfulness and Well-being programs.



What Sets Us Apart

Courcelette is located on the edge of Toronto's Beach Community and the Bluffs. This proximity to both the lake and Toronto's urban centre affords the students access to the many educational attractions the city has to offer. It also helps to instill a sense of environmental stewardship with respect to the area; as well as providing many great recreational opportunities. A large sense of community is evident in the degree of parental support and involvement through fundraising initiatives and a shared commitment to education and student success. Our vision is simple; "High Expectations, High Achievement". The dedicated staff have high expectations with the goal of fostering an inclusive environment that engages all learners. These factors continue to make the Courcelette community and school a desirable location for new families.



Parent and Community Engagement

Parental and community involvement are an integral part of the Courcelette experience. Our School Community Council coordinates our annual, "Fall Fest", that brings together the local community, staff and students in a single day fundraising initiative that supports school life throughout the year. The School Community Council not only generously supports our staff and students, but the broader community by coordinating efforts for the Birchmount Bluffs Neighbourhood Centre "Share 365" Program, and Santa's Breakfast. The R.O.C.S. Committee (Revitalization of Courcelette Schoolyard), works tirelessly to improve the outdoor space of our school. Our School Community Council and our school worked together to add a sprint track, expand our playscape and green our school yard with the planting of trees and gardens.



Imagine a TDSB where all schools share a common core set of characteristics. They are community-driven and focused on teaching and learning. Students and parents have a wide variety of opportunities and there are enough students in every school to increase program choices.

Imagine there is a clear focus on achieving student success and every student is engaged, has a voice, access to a caring adult and the opportunity to develop their full potential.

Here at the TDSB our focus is on student achievement, parent and community engagement and financial stability.

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