



McMurrich Junior Public School

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GRADE RANGE: JK to 6

Interesting Feature

Who We Are

While about three quarters of our 520 students come from English speaking homes, our students reflect Toronto's cultural, economic, language, race and religious diversity. McMurrich Junior School shares the site with Winona Senior Public School and three child care centres. McMurrich also shares space with the Japanese School of Toronto, Shokokai Inc. on Saturdays.

At McMurrich We're Building Dreams

In 1912, a new school proudly bearing the name of the first chair of the Toronto School Board opened its doors at 115 Winona Drive. Today, over 100 years later McMurrich Junior School is a robust thriving community of educators, support staff, parents and highly motivated children. It is a community where students are helped to discover their dreams and aspirations in life. We offer a comprehensive school program for students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6.

One Hundred Years of Excellence

For over one hundred years McMurrich School has been welcoming students and their families. We take pride in our long history of student success and community engagement. On May 12, 2012 we celebrated our one hundredth birthday. The staff, students, and parent council welcomed back former teachers, graduates and their families.



More Information about McMurrich Junior Public School

Student Success

McMurrich Junior School is committed to student success. Teachers conduct regular assessment to ensure programming is responsive to student needs. The school support team meets monthly to provide support for students and families. Complementing the regular programs McMurrich has ESL and Special Education programs.



Equity

McMurrich School continues to deliver an inclusive education program which fosters acceptance and respect for human rights within a safe, caring and nurturing environment.



Eco School

McMurrich is an Eco School. Our focus is on increasing the amount we recycle, on reducing the amount of garbage we produce and on becoming more aware of the amount of energy we consume. Students are learning to take responsibility for their decisions and to be advocates for a greener tomorrow.



Social Skills

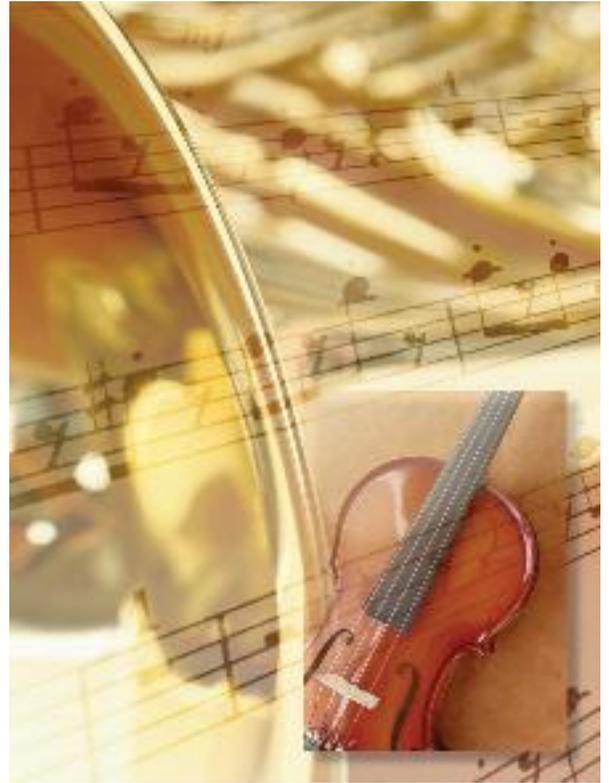
At McMurrich the safety, security and success of our students is of paramount importance. Through our school wide implementation of character development, students are learning empathy, impulse control, and problem solving.



Additional Features

Student Life - Where You Belong

Student life is rich and varied at McMurrich Junior School. The library is the hub of the school running reading programs for students from kindergarten through grade 6. The gymnasium is always busy with teams practising for competition or extra curricular activities. The McMurrich teams regularly finish amongst the top teams in Toronto. In Music the grade five and grade six students have the opportunity to learn how to play not only a band or string instrument but also Steel Pan. The McMurrich Steel Pan group have been regular participants at the annual TDSB Panfest.



What Sets Us Apart

Community Partnerships

Public library class visits (Gr.1-6) Collaboration with community/social agencies, e.g., Partnerships with Faculties of Education - teacher candidate program, and the Northern Secondary School and Oakwood Collegiate Co-op program.

Partnerships with Child Development Institute providing the Start Right Program during the school day.



Parent and Community Engagement

McMurrich has a dynamic parent community.

We have a School Council with a core group of 30 parent members leading sub-committees for fund-raising, safety and enrichment.

There is an annual school /community Fun Fair in June, and various outreach opportunities throughout the school year. Parents are welcome to assist on classroom trips, in coaching and transporting students to events.



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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