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Les nouvelles de mai/May News

Monthly theme: Honesty



April was an exciting and busy month at LMST! It was wonderful to see so many families at our grades 4-6 Heritage Fair open house. Students enjoyed participating in our first annual Garden week.

Congratulations to our grades 4-6 **Battle of the Books** team. They defeated the Halifax Grammar school and are the champions for 2022-23. Our Running club practices for all students and grades 4-6 track and field practices have begun.

2023-24 school year preparations have begun. During the month of May, we will begin to create next year's class lists. Many factors go into creating these lists and decisions are made collaboratively with staff. **If you have an educational reason to request a class placement, please put it in writing and send it to mcavanaugh@hrce.ca by Friday, May 12.**

If you are moving or have plans to **NOT** be at LMST next year- please email the office at lmsts@hrce.ca Thank you!

School Advisory Council (SAC)



Our SAC met with 3 photographers over the past two meetings. (Life Touch, Nova Scotia School Photos and Pineapple Studios) We are pleased to share that Pineapple Studios will continue working with us for the next 3 years.

Our next SAC meeting is May 16th at 4:30 pm – All welcome to attend.



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Home & School News (H&S)



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thank you LMST families for your AMAZING attendance and support at our many events. We have had an incredible year so far and it is so wonderful to see the community coming together! With the funds raised, we recently:

- Supported a Neptune Theatre production presented to students at school
- Provided funding to support the Grade 5 “Home Alone” course
- Provided a delicious Appreciation Luncheon to LMST staff

Stay tuned for further exciting announcements!

Spring LMST Clothing

The LMST H&S Spring Clothing Fundraiser has begun, with t-shirts, baseball caps and towels available for purchase on SchoolCash Online. The attached PDF includes information on all the items. The order deadline is **May 10, 2023**. The anticipated delivery of items will be in early June. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the organizer Kirstin at kirstin.yeh@gmail.com

STAY TUNED!

In addition to the SPRING FAIR...stay tuned for more H&S FUNdraising and community events:

- Food Drive for Feed NS (June 5-9, Stay tuned for volunteer sign-up!)
- Year-end Ice Cream/Popsicle social (June 14)



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LMST Spring Fair

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, May 27, 10 am - 1 pm** to have fun at the LMST Spring Fair on the school grounds. This event is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Get the early bird rate (\$10) for the admission bracelet before May 15. The bracelet gives the kids unlimited access to bouncy castles and the touch-a-truck parking lot. Pre-purchase tickets for other activity stations like face painting, nail art, bingo, dunk tank, cake walk, and games. All can be purchased through Schools Cash Online. Bracelets and tickets will be picked up at the admissions table on the day of the fair. Any questions can be emailed to Jodie at lmstfair23@gmail.com

Volunteer opportunities for "LMST Spring Fair 2023" are now open.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet:

volunteersignup.org/FK989 To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Admission bracelets from now until May 14 are \$10 per child. From May 15 until May 27, admission bracelets are \$12. Tickets are \$1 each the day of the fair and or can be purchased ahead of time in bundles of 10 for \$10.75 on [SchoolCashOnline](#)

PRIZES NEEDED FOR OUR SPRING FAIR PRIZE ROOM!

We will be accepting items for our Spring Fair Prize Room 1-2 days before Spring Fair. Please consider holding and then donating new or used/recycled treasures (not too big). For example, leftover loot bag items, toys, puzzles, games, crafts, sports items, costume jewelry, and décor (no clothes please). This is a great opportunity while Spring cleaning to declutter and select unused items that need a new home and will be loved by others!



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Garden Committee Update

WOW ! Thank you to all the students, teachers, administration, parents, guardians, and volunteers that helped make the inaugural LMST a garden week such a success. We couldn't have done it without all of you!

Each child planted a sunflower in school this week - they will be bringing the sunflower home soon if they haven't already. We would love to see any photos of the sunflowers growing, sprouting or planted in your gardens. Feel free to send them to us!

We had a HUGE number of submissions for the **drawing contest**. We want to thank each and every student that submitted their drawing - they were so creative, imaginative and truly beautiful. We had a very hard time deciding the winners and if we could have created 500 signs, we would have selected everyone! Thank you to the Grade six poster club that helped narrow down the submissions. It was so difficult. We are looking for ways to use more drawings that were submitted in other projects in the coming months. Stay tuned.

We had a few categories that we needed drawings, so the winners are!

Perennial category: Lola T (Grade primary Lacroix)	Garden Category: Patrick M(Grade Primary) Michelle Z (Grade 4 LeDuc) Mae C (Grade 6 Hagerman) Louisa G (Grade 6 Chiasson)	Rules of the Garden Category: Victoria B (Grade 3 Gallivan)
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Pollinator Garden Category: Caroline S (Grade 2 Englehutt)	Vegetable Garden: Jocelyn H (Grade 1 MacLean) Max S (Grade 4/5 Trach)	Poster Category: Sasha F (Grade 6 Bohoychuk) Ellis J (Grade 6 Hagerman) Paige T (Grade 5 Taylor) Marie S (Grade 2 Corbin)
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A huge congratulations to all the winners and to everyone who participated. Thank you for drawing the most beautiful things - we can't wait to see the signs in the garden this spring.

Upcoming Garden Dates:

Sunday, May 28th (2-4pm) Spring Clean Up
Friday, June 2 - LMST planting day

LMST 6th Annual Heritage Fair

Students in grades 4-6 showed their amazing talents and rose to the challenge of presenting their Heritage Fair projects to parents, families, and judges. Many families were surprised to learn that LMST is one of the few schools in the HRCE that participates in an annual fair. The diversity of topics was incredible, and the enthusiasm in which students presented impressed all who had the privilege of listening and joining the fair! Many students are already thinking about what their topics will be for next year. Check out our twitter feed [@LeMarchantElem](#) to see photos of the fair. We can't wait to see what next years participants come up with as we keep this wonderful LMST tradition going!

One student's project was highlighted on [Global News](#). Bravo!

There will be a provincial fair for our first-place finishers and possibly some others at Saint Mary's University June 8 & 9. More info to come.



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Grade 4

1 st place	Aidric	Quadriga
2 nd place	Emily H	Linda Evangelista- Canada's First Fashionista
3 rd place	Tommy	Richard Hambelton
Honorable mention	Ava K	Charles Fenerty
Honorable mention	Wes B	Indian Immigration to Canada
Honorable mention	Susie N	Haunted Halifax
Honorable mention	Alexis B	Veganism
Honorable mention	Addie K	Gerry Dee
Honorable mention	Caius A	Halifax Mural Festival

Grade 5

1 st place	Calix	Shawn Rodrigue-Lemieux
1 st place	Luke M	The Town that Loves Oysters
2 nd place	Lucy H	British Home Children
3 rd place	Alex T	Super Duper Superfan Nav Bhatia
Honorable mention	Liam N	The Endangered Caribou
Honorable mention	Zoe K	Maud Lewis
Honorable mention	Tyler D	Come to My Court
Honorable mention	Vios A	Carbon Cure Technologies

Grade 6

1 st place	Aria P	Welcome to Canada
2 nd place	Phaedra R	Oak Island
3 rd place	Elias W	Eric Melrose Gozna
Honorable mention	Mae C	Dufflebag theatre
Honorable mention	Skyla N	3 Majestic Heritage Buildings across Canada
Honorable mention	Deloth M	7 Natural Wonders of Canada
Honorable mention	Shayan Z	Chris Hadfield
Honorable mention	Ian M	The Dakeyne Farm

People's Choice

Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6
Lennon H – War brides	Lily G (Marblehead to NS)	Annika C (Halifax Lancers)
MELODY L (HAUNTED BELL ISLAND)	Clara B (Cocaine on the Plane)	Clara E (Curse of Oak Island)
Jack N (The Waegwoltic Club)	Willem K (Great Canadian Bake Show)	Lucia E (LMST & My Family)



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Addison L (Cape Breton Ghost Town)	Wenson P (My Proud Heritage)	Levi S (Labrador Retrievers in Canada)
Willa G (Great Grandpa Cox)	Naomi V (Canadian Sharks and Their Environment)	Lucas W (Maud Lewis)
Victoria M (Jeanne Becker)	Julien C (Joggin's Rock History)	Louisa G (Castle in the Rockies)

EXCEL Child Care

Please see attached letter regarding registering for EXCEL. Information can also be found on the link below.

https://www.hrce.ca/excel_registration

Important Dates



May 10- LMST clothing order

May15-18- Grade 3 Provincial assessment

May 16 - SAC meeting 4:30 pm -All welcome.

May 16 - H & S meeting 6:00 pm – All welcome.

May 18- Primary parent/guardian info session 6:00 pm * *this is for parents/guardians who have a child starting primary in September 2023*

May 19- Primary Orientation 1:30 pm * *this is for children starting primary in September 2023*

May 22 - Victoria Day- No school for students

May 28 – Garden Clean up day 2pm-4pm



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June 2- School planting day

June 5-9 H& S food drive

June 12- Band/strings/choir/ukulele concert 6 pm

June 14- H & S ice cream social 6 pm

Please check our LMST website for further information at <https://lmt.hrce.ca/>