

Upcoming Events

- Thursday October 2
- SSAF Golf Tournament
 - Photo Day
- Friday October 3
- Pizza and Ice Cream Begins
 - 3A Leads Kabbalat Shabbat
- Monday October 6
- Monday Lunch Begins
 - Photo Day
- Tuesday October 7
- Photo Day
- Wednesday October 8
- Erev Yom Kippur Early Dismissal 11:30am
- Thursday October 9
- Yom Kippur – School Closed
- Friday October 10
- 3C Leads Kabbalat Shabbat
 - 6A Leads Kabbalat Shabbat
- Monday October 13
- Thanksgiving – Closed
- Tuesday October 14
- Sukkot – School Closed
- Wednesday October 15
- Sukkot – School Closed
- Thursday October 16
- 1A & 2A to Community Safety Village
- Monday October 20
- 1B & 2B to Community Safety Village
- Tuesday October 21
- Simchat Torah– School Closed
- Wednesday October 22
- Shmini Atzeret – School Closed
- Thursday October 23
- 1C & 2C to Community Safety Village
- Friday October 24
- 7A Leads Kabbalat Shabbat
- Monday October 27
- Early Dismissal 2:30pm
- Tuesday October 28
- SSAF Girls 6-8 Soccer
- Thursday October 30
- Rosh Chodesh 8A leads
- Friday October 31
- 4C Leads Kabbalat Shabbat
 - 5A Leads Kabbalat Shabbat

North Campus Tech News

The North Campus proudly announces the purchase and receipt of 10 additional Smartboards this summer. The teachers have been trained in their use and installation will soon be complete. Please read the article below from Ted Liss on the various benefits of these educational machines.

“I believe the Smartboards are the biggest advance in our available teaching tools so far. They do several things:

- They act as a projection screen for anything you have on your computer.
- The touch sensitive screen allows you to be right at the screen and touch various elements, acting as a computer mouse. This is great when a student needs to point to something to get clarification, or answer a question.
- They allow you to write on the board with anything (even your finger). What you write can even be saved to the computer for future use or reference.
- You can combine all 3 of the above elements to present truly interactive lessons which really get students to focus and get involved.
- Lessons can be put together with the software provided, which really takes advantage of all the Smartboard features.
- Students can also use the same software in the computer lab to prepare presentations.
- You can even hand-print letters and numbers on the board, which can instantly be converted to computer text.

You can almost think of a Smartboard as being a giant computer on the screen, except instead of relying on a keyboard & mouse, you can "get your hands on it" directly. This applies to both teachers and students.

Instead of just the features of the Smartboard, one might just look at the benefits of using it:

- increased focus and attention by students
- students get naturally more actively involved in lessons
- lessons are saved for future use (review, other classes, edited and improved for re-use, etc.)
- clarity of everything written and shown to students
- current & prospective parents see clearly that we are using the latest technology & techniques to the benefit of students
- no more ruined clothes from chalk dust (my favourite).”

In addition, the North Campus acquired new Macintosh Labs with the latest technology and software, as well as a rolling lab of Mac notebooks.

Mike Makes Maccabiah

Mike Levinsky, our Middle School Coordinator and fabulous basketball player, has been chosen for the Canadian men's basketball team for the Maccabiah Games, held in Israel! The team is lucky to have him, and Mike is proud to represent his country and Leo Baeck at the Games.

The Maccabiah Games are a sports competition where Jewish athletes from all over the world assemble to compete in over 30 different sports and celebrate our Jewish heritage and our love, support and connection to Israel. The World Maccabi Movement has become one of the largest single groups to visit the State of Israel on a regular basis over the past several years. The upcoming 18th Maccabiah are also called "the Chai Games", symbolizing maturity in life and will be an expression of the Maccabi World Union at its best, merging athletics with Jewish unity and pride. The Maccabiah is the 3rd largest sporting event in the world and is the most significant social tradition of the Jewish people and the Zionist Movement in recent generations.

A big Mazel Tov to Mike!

Baby Baeckers

- Brandon and Mitchell Richmon welcomed their baby brother Aidan Isaac on July 22. Mazel Tov!
- Dylan and Mason Yack welcomed their baby sister Chloe Love Yack on August 14. Mazel Tov!

Mazel Tov

- Mazel Tov to the Shoychet Family on Sydney's Bat Mitzvah on August 11 in Israel.
- Mazel Tov to the Etkin-Silver Family on Seth's Bar Mitzvah on August 11 in Israel.
- Mazel Tov to the Chesney Family on David's Bar Mitzvah on September 6.
- Mazel Tov to the Sheriff Family on Laura's Bat Mitzvah on September 6.
- Mazel Tov to the Barsky Family on Gaby and Sabrina's B'nei Mitzvah on September 13.
- Mazel Tov to the Heller Family on Justin's Bar Mitzvah on September 27.
- Mazel Tov to the Herman Family on Erica's upcoming October 25 Bat Mitzvah.

Pics of the Month



Broadway Baeckons!

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious! Can you say it? Spell it? How about backwards? Can you dance while singing it? Well, the teachers and parents of the "Broadway Baeckons" cast can do all of the above and a whole lot more.

North campus teacher Mike Levinsky, along with vocal director and alumni parent Robin Perlmutter bring to the stage our third spectacular show, "Broadway Baeckons".

In addition to top entertainment for cast and audience alike, the adult production serves as an important fundraiser, operating under the auspices of the LBPA, in support of the school's Arts, Athletics and Technology funds. The production takes place Sunday, December 7th (matinee and evening) and Monday, December 8th (evening) at the Leah Posluns Theatre and promises to be Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious! Ticket order forms will be available via Kidsmail in early November.

Meet Our New North Campus Staff

My name is Lesley Atkins, and I have been working in Early Childhood Education for 28 years. I'm currently in the SK classrooms here at the North Campus, and I'm having a fantastic time helping the kids learn! I am also the proud grandmother of 5-year-old twin girls. This is not surprising as I am an identical twin, as some of you can attest, and so is my son-in-law. I am thrilled to join the Leo Baeck family and am looking forward to meeting all of you.



Shana Tova! My name is Sharon Gold and I'm your children's new Grade 2 and SK 2 & 3 French teacher. Although I am new to the school as a teacher, all of my 3 children are former students at Leo Baeck. As such, I have had a lengthy wonderful experience at our school and have formed many long-term special relationships. I am very excited about my new position and look forward to meeting the parents of my students. Your children are enthusiastic, sweet and love to participate. It's going to be a great year!

Hello - I am Miss Alina Goldberg, and I teach Grade 6 Language Arts, SK French and SK Library. I am in my ninth year of teaching and Leo Baeck is the fourth school where I have been privileged to work. I began teaching in the Peel Board of Education as a Grade 6 teacher before packing my bags and moving to Basel, Switzerland - yes, I was lucky enough to live in the land of Swiss chocolates and the Swiss Alps and took full advantage of the food and the outdoor activities while teaching two consecutive years of Grades 4 and 5. After 4 years of living there I decided it was time to come home, and relocated to Toronto. Prior to Leo Baeck, I taught Grade 6 for 2 years at Branksome Hall. I have been fortunate that the past 6 years of my professional training and learning have introduced me to the International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program, and I am looking forward to implementing my IB experience as Leo Baeck advances towards becoming an IB school! I am now looking forward to working with the Middle Years Program this year. When I am not teaching I enjoy salsa dancing, cycling, hiking, reading, cheering for the Leafs, spending time with my friends, traveling and playing volleyball. I look forward to becoming part of the Leo Baeck community.

