

April 13, 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am writing to invite you to a meeting on **Monday, April 27, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.** to hear an update on the status of the DA Morrison MS, Gledhill Jr PS, Parkside ES, and Secord ES Pupil Accommodation Review. This meeting will be held in the cafeteria at DA Morrison MS, 271 Gledhill Avenue.

As you may be aware, a Pupil Accommodation Review Committee (PARC) was established in 2012 for DA Morrison MS, Gledhill Jr PS, Parkside ES, and Secord ES. The purpose of the Pupil Accommodation Review was to develop options for accommodating current and future students in the area and to make recommendations to the Board of Trustees for their consideration and final decision.

The PARC completed its work in 2012 and produced a report recommending that Parkside ES be consolidated with DA Morrison MS to become a single JK-Grade 8 school located in the DA Morrison building and that Secord ES change its grade range from JK-Grade 5 to JK-Grade 8.

Shortly after the PARC completed its report, the Ministry of Education placed a “freeze” on the TDSB’s school building projects. This put a hold on the PARC process because the PARC’s recommendations would have required capital projects to expand the Secord ES building to accommodate the grade change and to renovate the DA Morrison MS building to accommodate the introduction of primary and junior programs.

Since the freeze, TDSB Planning staff has been working with staff of the Ministry of Education to develop accommodation solutions that reduce the cost of school building projects and have come up with alternative accommodation solutions for the schools in this area.

The specific accommodation plans for the schools are as follows:

- Maintain the current grade range of Secord ES as JK-5;
- Maintain the current grade range of DA Morrison MS as 6-8; no consolidation with Parkside ES;
- Maintain the current grade range of Parkside ES as JK-5; no consolidation with DA Morrison MS;
- Change the grade range of Gledhill Jr PS from JK-6 to JK-5 (effective September 2016);
- Change the Regular Program boundary of DA Morrison MS so that Gledhill Jr PS feeds into it in its entirety (effective September 2016); and
- Introduce a French Immersion track at DA Morrison MS for Grades 6 to 8 (making it dual track) – Gledhill Jr PS and Earl Beatty Jr and Sr PS French Immersion programs feed into this French track at Grade 6 (Gledhill Jr PS in September 2016 and Earl Beatty Jr and Sr PS in September 2018).

TDSB staff will present a report with their recommendations to the Board’s **Planning and Priorities Committee** on **Wednesday, June 10, 2015*** at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to share your thoughts in person or in writing with Trustees, please contact Denisse Parra at denisse.parra@tdsb.on.ca by 4:00

p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2015. For more information, please go to www.tdsb.on.ca/boardroom and click on Delegations.

The Planning and Priorities Committee will present its recommendations to the **Board of Trustees** at a meeting on **Wednesday, June 17, 2015***. At this meeting, the Board will make the final decision.

Please join us at the meeting on **Monday, April 27, 2015** where more details will be shared. If you require childcare at the meeting, please call 416-394-7275 by Monday, April 20, 2015.

If you have any questions about the meeting, feel free to contact your Principal or me directly at 416-396-9196.

Regards,



Elizabeth Addo
Superintendent of Education, ER11

c.c. Sheila Cary-Meagher, Ward 16 Trustee

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