

# Northlea Weekly News

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Friday, February 27, 2015.

Hello Northlea Families,

Today, we got a scary reminder that all those warnings about traffic safety (like recently, [Principal Ehrlich's](#)) are for very real issues.

This morning, at drop-off time, a cyclist got hit and ended up under a car, right at Donlea & Rumsey.

Thankfully, our neighbour seems fin. But let it be a reminder: pedestrians: watch out! And drivers: don't rush, don't break traffic rules, don't have your kids jaywalk, and use the PSP Kiss-and-Ride.



## School Travel Plan

On a related note, this past Monday, parents, admin and various stakeholders including our Trustee, Gerri Gershon, and City Councillor, Jon Burnside, came together once again to hammer out an action plan for our School Travel Plan.

We also received first - and encouraging - data from our student travel survey.

What we do need is more parent feedback on two safety travel issues.

- First, please do fill out our [parent school travel survey](#).
- Secondly, give the Province your feedback - today! - about changing speed limits in municipalities ([here](#)).

Much more information: [here](#).

In the meantime, it has been a busy and exciting week at Northlea, and we have much news!

**Kiwanis:** The Grade 3 Choir kicked off the Northlea Kiwanis season with a wonderful showing on Monday. A Score of 89 gave them *Gold* designation, plus they won *Best of Class!* More -



## Important dates!

Full Calendar [at](#)  
[northleaschool.ca](http://northleaschool.ca)

### March 2

Kiwanis: Junior Choir performs

### March 5

Kiwanis: grade 4 performs  
FAMILY FUN NIGHT

### March 6

Kiwanis: Junior Choir performs

### March 9-13

Lost & Found Parade

### March 12

TDSB Choral Festival: grades 1 & 2 perform

### March 16-20

March Break (No School)

### March 23

Start of Spring X-Cur  
Registration

### March 26

Manitou Camp gr.8 Parent  
Info Evening

### April 1

Parent Evening Leaside HS

including audio of the two songs: [here](#). Next week there will be performances by the grade 4s and the 5/6 Junior Choir ([here](#)).

**Northlea Houses:** Even as the cold forced another cancellation today, make sure your kids catch the last week of dodgeball, March 2-6. Northlea Houses returns with exciting activities after March Break.



**Cycling:** After a month with the 5/6s, the fun Youth Cycling Development Program (YCDP) switches gears: From March 9, it is the turn for the grade 7 & 8 students! First come, first served, so read on: [here](#).

**Chess:** Another program resuming after March Break. Register for the Spring session until Friday, March 6: [here](#).

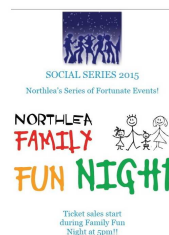


**Special Education Parent Conference:** The School Board can provide assistance for all students with special gifts/needs, Learn more, and how to navigate the system, at a Parent Conference organized by two Parent Advisory Committees. On Saturday, March 28, more information: [here](#).

### Family Fun Night: the Social Series Catalogue is now available!

A big Northlea favourite every year, with activities for all - adults and kids alike.

Check it out: [here](#).



Make sure to check out yesterday's FFN update as well (available soon [here](#)). BTW, did you know that:

1. Family Fun Night is our school's **largest fundraiser**?
2. **Monies** raised will go towards supporting worthwhile school-based projects that enrich the learning environment for our children?
3. We as parents get a say as to **where these funds should go** at the Home and School meeting held every spring?
4. **Amazing things** like Smart boards, iPads, books, musical instruments and sports equipment are just a few of the items that have been purchased with these monies in the past?

**Yearbook:** You have not sent in those Field Trip



### April 3

Good Friday (No School)

### April 6

Easter Monday (No School)

### April 28-30

Northlea Musical

### May 7

Junior Choir at Massey Hall

### May 8

Date Knight

### Ongoing

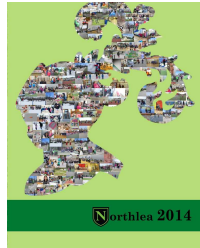
Choir; Sports; Field Trips  
Extra-curricular programs

## Northlea Classifieds

[Latest Classifieds now available](#) (with the latest - January 26 - edition!)

pictures, Family Fun Night pictures, Sports pictures? Who else is going to do it then?

Info: [here](#).



Much more information is on the [Northleaschool.ca](http://Northleaschool.ca) website and its [calendar](#). Some important (and new) items to note:

**Events/Activities/deadlines:**

- March 9-13: Lost & Found Parade
- Wed. April 1: [Parenting evening at Leaside High School](#)

**News/information/programs**

- **Volunteers needed (I):** [Online Student Newspaper](#): work together with Mr. Ehrlich & Mrs. Robson to give a group of students a unique publishing experience! More information: [here](#).
- **Volunteers needed (II):** [Northlea Houses](#): a few more parents are needed to help with lunch-time activities (especially Thursday and Friday), and/or co-lead the Northlea Houses (limited time commitment). If you can help, please contact [northleahouses@northleaschool.ca](mailto:northleahouses@northleaschool.ca).
- **Library money:** every dollar spent at Chapters.Indigo's online shop can raise money for the Northlea School Library? Click the link from the Northlea [Shop \\* Get \\* Give](#) section on our website - [here](#).

Finally, on Tuesday, March 10 we will welcome back Ms. Smith from Parental Leave. We thank Mr. Arthurs for outstanding work in room 109, and wish him the very, very best.

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