



# GL ROBERTS CVI

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## We are in the home stretch...

This has definitely been a very different year and I hope that you are so proud of how awesome you have done and are doing. Throughout the past few months we have found ways to celebrate student achievement and identity. We have defined and celebrated who we are, through a taste of culture during Black History month, rainbow bagels on Transgender Day of Visibility, Tools in the Trades - Boot Camp and bumping and spiking on the Volleyball court - we know that we are LAKER NATION!. This is what defines us as a school and a community. As we continue through the remainder of the year please take the opportunity to follow us on instagram -

@GLRobertsCVIOshawa and twitter @GLRobertsCVI as we continue to show the world the amazing opportunities that we have to offer.

- Mrs. White & Mrs. Crosby



## GLR IMPROVEMENTS



In light of GLR's 50th Anniversary and in celebration of all GLR Alumni, as well as current students and staff, we are thrilled to share with you our new, updated school lettering. The front entrance off Chaleur

Avenue, as well as our side entrance are now marked with brighter name plaques and our updated GLR logo. This better directs visitors to our main entrance and welcomes all to the "Home of the Lakers"!

## GL Roberts is celebrating 50 years in 2022!

Information on ticket sales, donations & merchandise will be available soon.

### Itinerary of what's been planned so far:

Friday, October 21, 2022—OPEN HOUSE NIGHT at GLR

Saturday, October 22, 2022—OPEN HOUSE DAY at GLR & Lakers Pub Night at the Tribute Centre

Sunday, October 23, 2022—Staff Breakfast TBA & Golf Tournament

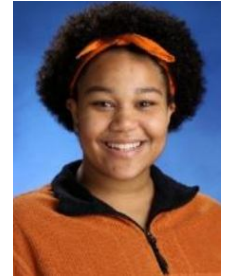


# RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY & EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS!

Here at GL Roberts, we like to acknowledge students who work hard and go the 'extra mile' in their efforts and actions. Our staff members nominate students and three recipients are chosen twice a semester who exemplify respect, responsibility and excellence. We are proud to announce this set of winners!

## RESPECT Congratulations to **Etova Nagy**

Etova has shown tremendous respect within her classes towards both students and staff. She has patience when under challenging situations and uses friendly and meaningful language to communicate her ideas. Etova also respects her working environment and maintains a high degree of tidiness and organization!



## RESPONSIBILITY Congratulations to **Jayla Hewitt**

Jayla takes great responsibility within their classes. She always works hard, asks questions when unsure, and goes above and beyond to complete both written and practical work. Jayla also likes to challenge herself and is always completing work on time.



## EXCELLENCE Congratulations to **Tamera Babi**

Tamera has been working incredibly hard this semester and her success is proof of this effort. Her work online and in the greenhouse has been of top quality, and the program would not be the same without her! Thank you Tamera, for your incredible efforts!



## UNEXPECTED VISITOR

GLR received a surprise visit from the Easter Bunny before breaking for the long weekend. Our esteemed visitor was here bright and early to welcome students to school as they entered the building, and even broke into a Conga dance with staff and students. Great Fun! Thank you Easter Bunny.





# PEER KINDESS

It's important to recognize students spending quality time together, helping and supporting each other, laughing together and being kind to one another. Keep it up Lakers!



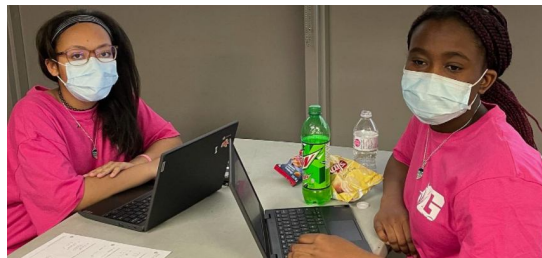
## WELCOMING SPACES

GLR has many spaces for friends to come together. From our beautiful Library to the legendary Pit, we celebrate friendship, our school and making memories together.



## PINK SHIRT DAY *Today and everyday, be kind to yourself and others.*

Students and Staff demonstrated their support, empathy and effort to be an ally by wearing their pink shirts in support of anti-bullying.



## FEELING THE LOVE

In celebration of Valentine's Day, Ms. Mishalkowsky's PLP class made fruit bouquets for their loved ones. Healthy, sweet and lovely. Great job!





# INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



Celebrated annually on March 8th, International Women's Day is a day that commemorates the social, political and economic achievements of women. Women in different parts of the world use this day to come together to celebrate one another and rally for equal treatment and representation. GL Roberts recognizes the importance of supporting each other, working together and lifting each other up on International Women's Day and every day.



## Inspirational words to live by:

There is always light, if only we're brave enough to see it.  
If only we're brave enough to be it.

- Amanda Gorman, *The Hill We Climb*



# CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH



GLR Staff, Students and DDSB delegates embraced a socially distanced celebration of Black History Month. GLR hosted a "Taste of Culture" Patties and Pop lunch, generating positive vibes, hope, happiness and a sense of community. Thank you to all who made this such a special experience.



"You really can change the world if you care enough."

- Marian Wright Edelman



Black Canadians and their communities have been a part of shaping Canada's heritage and identity since the arrival of Mathieu Da Costa, a navigator and interpreter, whose presence in Canada dates back to the early 1600's.

# INTERNATIONAL TRANSGENDER DAY



International Transgender Day of Visibility is an annual event occurring on March 31, dedicated to celebrating transgender people and raising awareness of discrimination faced by transgender people worldwide. This day is also an opportunity to celebrate the contributions of the Transgender community. Everyone should be able to have the same opportunities and benefits, and be treated with equal dignity and respect. With this in mind, our GLR staff and students recognized the day with a rainbow bagel breakfast in acknowledgement and celebration.



## DURHAM PRIDE PROM

Durham Pride Prom 2022 is a graduation party of two-spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, & questioning (2SLGBTQ+) youth aged 16-21, and their friends. This year's theme is Enchanted Forest.



**Friday, May 6, 2022**  
**The Jubilee Pavilion**  
**55 Lakeview Park, Avenue, Oshawa**  
**Doors open at 6:30 pm**  
**Dinner & Dancing 7:30 pm—12:00 am**  
**Ticket Info: Amy 905-428-1212 x2239 (CAREA)**  
**\$20.00 per ticket**



## GLR GRADUATION FORMAL



GLR Class of 2022 Graduates are cordially invited to attend GL Roberts CVI

**Graduation Formal**

**Friday, June 24, 2022**

**Tosca Banquet Hall**

**800 Champlain Avenue, Oshawa**

**5:00 pm—9:00 pm**

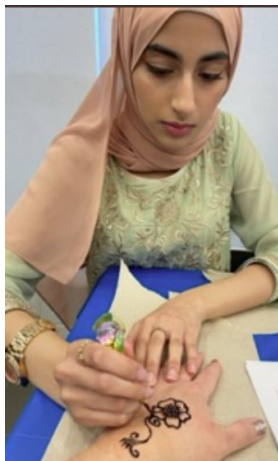
**\$90.00 per ticket**

Tickets may be purchased in Room 312, May 16, 17, 18, 19. Don't forget to bring your permission form.

*Dinner, Dancing & Everlasting Memories*



# CELEBRATING Ramadan Iftar



Alhamdulillah is the blessed month of Ramadan and a time of worship, devotion, reflection and celebration. Eastdale CVI welcomed DDSB High Schools, coming together to enjoy a Ramadan Iftar dinner, April 20th in a community building event.

Thank you to Ms. Jadoon and team for organizing this memorable evening.



## GLR ATHLETICS



GLR's Senior Girls Volleyball team is off to a good start this Semester! We're excited to see how their efforts during practice help them continue to improve at games.



It must be spring because GLR has kicked off Track and Field. These early birds are making the most of some early morning training time, with dynamic stretching and high knees.



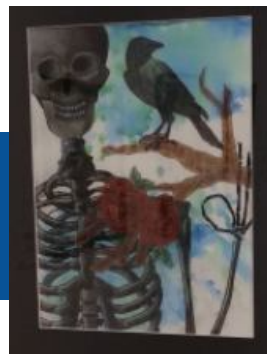
## GL Roberts CVI is a Mask Friendly Environment

Although the masking requirement has been removed in schools, we want to remind everyone that here at GL Roberts CVI, we are a mask-friendly environment. Anyone (staff, students, parents/guardians, visitors, etc.) can choose whether they want to wear a mask based on their comfort level and personal risk assessment. We ask that everyone be kind, considerate, and respectful to one another and the choices that individuals make on wearing a mask. Thank you for making our school a welcoming and inclusive environment for all.



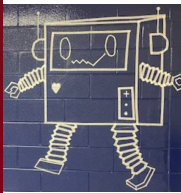
# GLR ARTISTS

GL Roberts was well represented at the McLaughlin Art Gallery with 4 stunning pieces by our students. We are super proud of these remarkable artists who's works were showcased alongside other DDSB students, at the **'For Art Sake'** exhibit at the Robert McLaughlin Gallery March 11th—20th. Featured are a Mixed Media piece by Misba Arain, entitled Exploration 22; Dina Zagorodnya's Copper Repousse Owl; Elaine Pangan's Untitled Mixed Media; and The Magic of Science, a digital creation by Naomi Brewster.

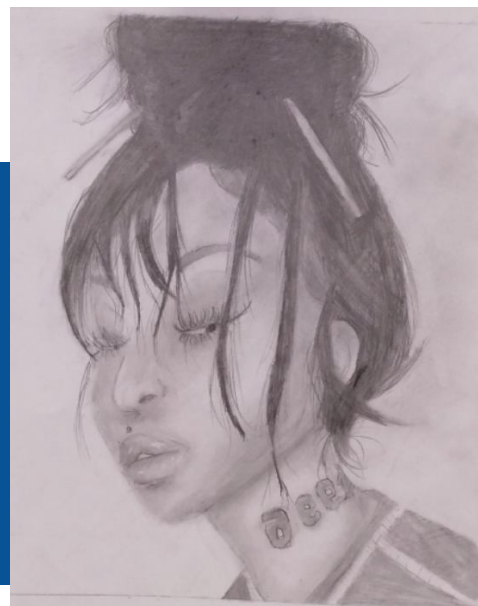
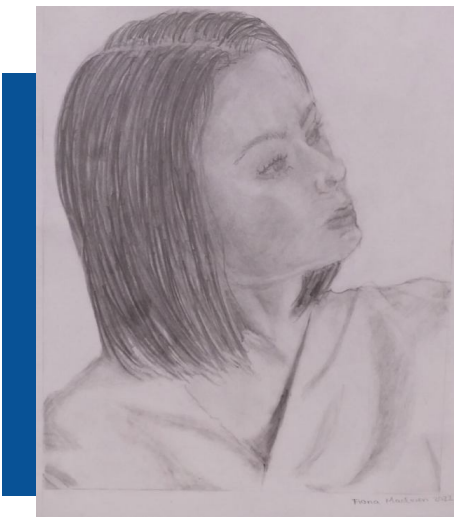


Ms. Vanderkooi's Art Class has beautified our halls with their exquisite Tape Art creations! Check out the Art Department Google Site:

[bit.ly/36UwPdZ](https://bit.ly/36UwPdZ)



Mrs. Davis's Art class has completed their drawing unit. Shelby, Fiona and Jahnya chose to do portraits and they sure did them well.





# STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

LAUNCHING IN THE DURHAM DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD JUNE 2022

## NOW CALLING FOR SUBMISSIONS!

Use your creativity to showcase your unique story and share how the DDSB is *a place for everyone!*

Submissions are open to ***all students***

Early Bird Deadline: April 22, 2022

Final Deadline: May 6, 2022

View online brief and criteria at [bit.ly/DDSBStudentArt](https://bit.ly/DDSBStudentArt)



**This exciting new opportunity is open to all arts program participants across the DDSB.**

During the week of June 20, 2022 the DDSB will be opening our first Student Art Exhibition—a district-wide art collection housed in the Education Centre, displaying artworks created and curated by students with staff support.

***The Opportunity:*** The theme of our inaugural exhibition is '*A Place for Everyone*'. **Students in Grades 7—12** are encouraged to use their creativity to showcase their own unique stories and how the DDSB is an inclusive place for everyone.

Criteria will be posted to the DDSB website (e.g. 18 x 24—max 4kg)

Digital representations of completed (or nearly completed) artworks should be submitted in .jpeg format along with contact information and the school the artist attends to the committee. Selections will be made by the committee in May.

Successful artists will be contacted in May and arrangements will be made for completed artwork drop-off to the Education Centre (400 Taunton Road East, Whitby).

The Exhibition opening will take place the week of June 20, 2022, with artworks on display for approximately 12 months, then returned to the artist. The art may be displayed longer with artist permission.

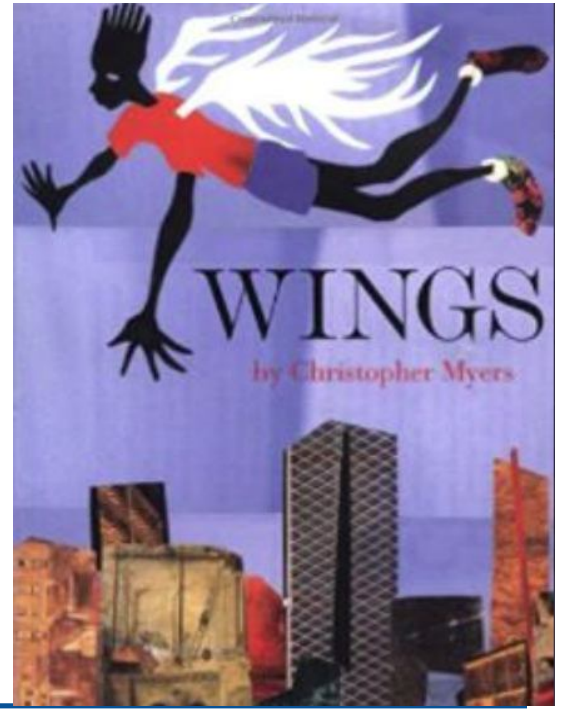
A digital gallery hosted on the DDSB website will allow equitable access to these artworks.





# DRAMATIC ARTS

Ms. Hart's Drama Class referenced the book "Wings" by C. Myers to explore empathy & perspective, develop character, and elements of Tableau. They made connections to book excerpts, embracing the words "His long, strong, proud wings followed wherever he went" & "They whispered about his wings, his hair & his shoes".



# CULINARY NEWS

If we could only smell this picture! MMMM Bacon! Chef Mike skilled his class on how to cook bacon in the oven and it's a game changer! Bake on a parchment lined cookie sheet in the oven at 400 degrees Fahrenheit for 18—20 minutes. Remove from the oven and using tongs, transfer to a paper towel-lined plate.



They're at it again in Chef Mike's class. This time baking up some ooey, gooey goodness with oatmeal chocolate chip cookies and fudge brownies with frosting! GLR's Hospitality and Tourism students are enjoying all these sweet treats! Delish!

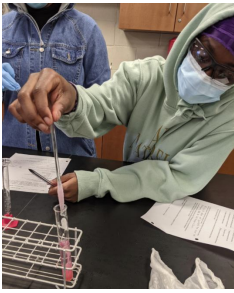


Hospitality and Tourism students are also learning about the fine details that enhance the quality of their cooking creations perfecting their garnishing techniques.



It appears that Chef Mike's students are paying close attention to their lessons because these plated deviled eggs look eggs-quisite! Students learned how to properly time hard-boiling eggs, piping bag skills, and they put their garnishing skills to the test with these masterful presentations.



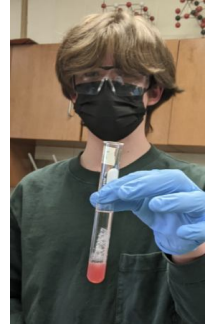


# THE LOVE OF SCIENCE



Ms. Petric's grade 10 Science class extracted DNA from strawberries and conducted their own experiments. Students were able to extract the DNA from Strawberries using soapy water, a filter, and alcohol. Each step of the lab separated components of the strawberry cells to release the DNA.

Once ethanol was added, DNA precipitated out of the solution and students could even wind it up on a glass stirring rod to examine it further! Strawberries have 8 copies of each chromosome (humans only have 2 copies) so they are a great organism to use in the lab as there is LOTS of DNA! Students were able to practice many skills in this lab and learned that their food has DNA in it."



## TECHNOLOGIES

Mr. Lewis' Auto Class were learning the rebuilding process of V6 and V8 car engines. Tearing down and putting back together these car engines provides an excellent opportunity for students to demonstrate their learning.



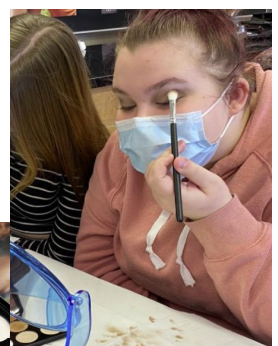
## HAIR AND AESTHETICS



Ms. Till's Hairstyling & Aesthetics students practiced 3D eye makeup skills. Did you know this is a Skilled Trade? GLR offers a Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) program and this industry is an option for everyone!

Taking out braids requires patience and concentra-

tion! Hands-on learning, practical life skills and developing specialized skills are just some of the benefits of Ms. Tills TXJ 3ED Hairstyling and Aesthetics Class.







# GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

## GRADE 9 ORIENTATION

The GLR Guidance department is pleased to announce that we have received permission to host in-person Grade 9 Orientation this year. We are only permitted to host one school at a time, per the schedule below:

**Glen Street PS**—Monday, May 16, 1:30—3:00 pm

**Dr. C.F. Cannon PS**—Tuesday, May 17, 1:30—3:00 pm

**Lakewoods PS**—Wednesday, May 18, 10:30 am—12:00 pm

**Bobby Orr PS**—Thursday, May 19, 10:30 am—12:00 pm

**Virtual Students & David Bouchard PS**—Friday, May 20, 10:30 am—12:00 pm (Grade 9 New to DDSB)

For more information please email Ms. Hart at [Nicole.Hart@ddsb.ca](mailto:Nicole.Hart@ddsb.ca).

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HOURS

The Guidance department has organized several opportunities for students to earn some community involvement hours this year. Most recently Ms. Hudgin lead our Community Cleanup. Thanks to all those students who volunteered their time to help with this initiative and worked toward earning their community involvement hours. 2022 graduating students require 20 community involvement hours to graduate, 10 of which may be work/job related.



## SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer School Registration is still open! Students can register using myBlueprint. There are in-person and virtual learning opportunities. Guidance invites any students to visit us, during lunch, for help with registration.

For more information please visit: <https://www.dce.ca/en/summer-school/summer-school.aspx#Full-Credit-In-Person->

View the **Student Guide to Summer School: at the following link:**

<https://www.dce.ca/en/summer-school/resources/2022/Landing-Page-/Student-Guide-Summer-2022-FC-CR-CU-3.pdf>

GL Roberts will be offering Credit Recovery and Upgrading Summer School options. Contact Ms. Hudgin with questions at 905-728-7594 or [rebecca.hudginmoore@ddsb.ca](mailto:rebecca.hudginmoore@ddsb.ca).

## GRADUATION PREPARATION



Graduation Souvenir Packages are now available to order through GLR's School Cash Catalogue. Packages consist of a Graduation Cap, Gown and Tassel for students to keep. The cost is \$16.00. You may access School Cash via the GLR website main page by clicking on the School Cash Online link. Students may speak with Mrs. Rossiter for further details. Students also have the option to pay \$15.00 cash by coming to the Guidance office.



**School Cash  
Online**

**Scholarships, for Graduating Students.  
Bursaries  
& Awards**

Learn more at [ddsb.ca](https://ddsb.ca)

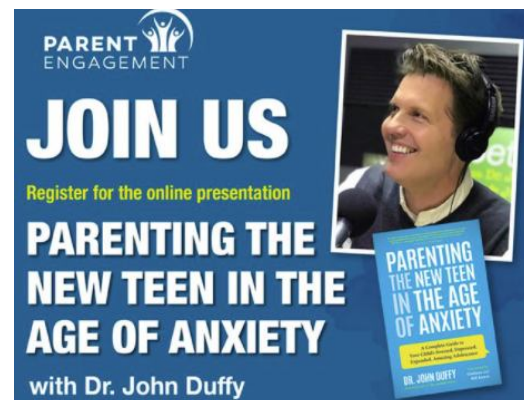


DDSB publicises scholarships and awards that students can apply for in their graduating year of high school. We are encouraging students to check out the awards and scholarships offered. [Bit.ly?DDSBscholarship](https://bit.ly/DDSBscholarship)

# PARENT ENGAGEMENT

You are invited to participate in a community discussion about *Parenting The New Teen in the Age of Anxiety*, a book by Dr. John Duffy. Parents are increasingly confronted with the challenges of the emotional impacts of recent technological, social, cultural and academic stressors on children today. These contribute to the overwhelming anxiety and depression experienced by youth at shockingly early ages. John's perspective encourages parents to maintain a strong, positive and joyful connection with your child.

Registration required at: <http://bit.ly/3J8WUTV>



Thursday, May 5, 2022  
7:00—9:00 pm

## Black Youth Helpline

BRIDGING CULTURES | REACHING YOUTH | IMPACTING CHANGE

NOW CANADA-WIDE!

Black Youth Helpline is pleased to announce that our STAY-IN-SCHOOL PROGRAM & SUPPORT SERVICES for Canadian Youth is available Canada-wide!

REACH US AT 416-285-9944 or 416-739-8989 Toll Free 1-833-294-8650/1-833-BYH-8650

E-mail: [NationalHelpline@bellnet.ca](mailto:NationalHelpline@bellnet.ca) Website: [www.blackyouth.ca](http://www.blackyouth.ca)

## IT'S OK TO ASK FOR HELP

We want you to feel heard, seen and understood.

We are here if you want to talk.

Reach out to school staff or connect with our Mental Health team at [bit.ly/3LaeMQo](http://bit.ly/3LaeMQo)



## Ignite Durham Learning Foundation

The Ignite Durham Learning Foundation is a charitable community organization that supports DDSB students facing financial barriers to success. It could be a student that doesn't come to school on cold days because they don't have a winter coat, or a child who can't concentrate in class because they're hungry. There are countless ways that poverty shows up in Durham schools and creates barriers to learning. The Durham District School board is responding to the challenge with this new foundation that now has charitable status. Donations can be made online at [ignitedurhamlearningfoundation.ddsb.ca](http://ignitedurhamlearningfoundation.ddsb.ca).



# UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS



## Semesters:

April 22, 2022–June 30, 2022 **Semester 2, term 2**

**Tentative Tech Support Days–Wednesday/Thursday/Alternate Fridays**



## Dates to Remember:

April 25–29–**Spirit Week**

Tuesday, May 10–**Graduating Student's Tea**–1:30 pm, period 3 in the Lecture Theatre

May 16–20–Grade 8 Orientation (See page 11)

Monday, May 23–**Victoria Day Holiday (school closed)**

May 24–27–**Spirit Week**

Monday, May 30–**SCC Meeting (Virtual)**

Friday, June 24–**Prom @ Tosca Hall, 5pm–9pm**

Wednesday, June 29–**PA Day**

–**Senior Commencement @ GLR Lecture Theatre, 1pm**

Thursday, June 30–**PA Day**

## Special Thanks to our Student Nutrition Sponsors



- Durham Child Nutrition
- DCNP Food Hub
- PC Children's Charity
- Ignite Durham



# COVID-19 SCREENING

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>

## Students, parents, and school staff

Answer a few questions  
before leaving for school.

To help decide if you  
should or should not go  
to school today.



covid-19.ontario.ca

## Screening Questions:

Are students currently experiencing any of these symptoms:

Fever/chills

Cough/barking cough

Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea

Decreased smell/taste

Shortness of breath

Durhamhealth@stopthespreadosh