## The Timberwolves Times



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Clockwise from top right: Avery L, Maggie G-R, Summer H., Cailyn S. and Reese S.

"Bug-Eyed Monsters Invade the Earth" is a new family-friendly science fiction comedy feature film from Anthony D.P. Mann, that will be filmed in Kingston later this year. The film's creators ran a "Design а Bug-Eyed Monster" contest in February in which the winning design will be created as the puppet "Klakk", the monster bug-eyed villain.

Under the direction of Ms. Monaghan-Osborne, a group of Gr. 6 students spent many hours creating their monster submissions with empty cans, plasticine and accessories.

The school community was delighted when the creations by Avery L. and James P. made it to the Top 5 Finalists. The winner was announced on Friday and unfortunately Avery and James' submissions weren't selected. But they may still be included at some point in the movie.

It was a fun project that engaged the students, showcasing their creativity and originality. The monsters were all very different and Ms. Osborne-Monaghan was very impressed with all the submissions.





Monsters top row, right to left: Colton G., Helen N., Corbin B. Monsters bottom row, right to left: Avah R., Lucas L., James P.



**The change of season** from winter to spring (Vernal Equinox), and summer to Change your clock, fall (Autumnal Equinox) are good "calendar" reminders to replace the batteries in your smoke alarm(s).

According to FirstAlert.ca, it is recommended that you test your fire alarms at least once a month to ensure they are working properly. If your smoke alarms are powered by a nine-volt battery, the battery should be replaced every 6 months and the alarm itself should be replaced once every 10 years. For 10-year lithium-powered smoke alarms, you won't need to replace the battery but you do need to replace the entire alarm after 10 years have passed. If your alarm is hardwired into your home's electrical system, replace the backup battery at least every 6 months and CHANGE your batteries replace the smoke alarm itself once every 10 years.

#### Learning Commons News @ GTS

Does your child need to complete a project, assignment or story? Then the Virtual Learning Commons is the place to go! Board and provincially funded databases such as Britannica Online and Gale Kids InfoBits are accessible to all students and their families within the UCDSB. Some databases require usernames and passwords which are available at the school or by contacting me at <a href="mailto:sharon.whittaker@ucdsb.on.ca">sharon.whittaker@ucdsb.on.ca</a>.

#### March Database of the Month

Visit the VLC today! http://vlc.ucdsb.ca

#### Gale Kids InfoBits

Research support for students in Kindergarten through Gr. 5. Jam-packed with eye popping graphs, charts, maps and more than 3,000 searchable images. InfoBits features a visual graphic interface, a subject-based topic tree search and full-text, age appropriate, magazine and reference content. A username and password are required.



Please send extra masks with your child each day. They often get wet at recess time. Please label the extra masks with your child's name and we will make every effort to make sure they go home.

March 17th is a Spirit
Day. Wear green and St.
Patrick's Day gear.



Grade 6 Milestone (Grad) Photos will take place on Tuesday, March 9th starting at 10 a.m. Please don't wear green. Gowns are supplied by Edge Imaging. Information has been sent to all parents/guardians of Grade 6 students by My Family Room and email.





Kindergarten Registration is ongoing. Register through My Family Room on the www.ucdsb.on.ca website.

March is Nutrition Month! Did you know that the Health Unit has a registered dietitian on their school team? Their role is to provide consultation on lesson plans, student nutrition programs, and other initiatives and activities related to food and nutrition. The new Canada's food guide, released in 2019, is a great tool for teaching about nutrition. The food guide no longer includes serving sizes or number of servings. Instead, the healthy plate model is emphasized, along with increasing awareness of food marketing, eating with others, enjoying our food, being mindful of our eating habits, cooking more often, and reading food labels to help us make informed decisions.

**Keep play-dates and get-togethers virtual.** Being close together without masks should only be done with household members. Although children and youth see their friends at school, the difference is that school is essential and has precautions in place that help to reduce risk.

Are you wondering when you will be offered the COVID-19 Vaccine? Check out the Health Unit's <u>vaccine webpage</u> for the <u>vaccination roll out plan</u>, weekly updates and answers to frequently asked questions.





### Winners of the 2020 Royal Canadian Legion Branch 244 Remembrance Day Poster, Poem and Essay Contest



Colour Poster Primary Division

1st Place Lyla M.



Colour Poster Primary Division

3rd Place Brooklyn V.



Colour Poster Junior Division

2nd Place Avah R.



Colour Poster Junior Division

3rd Place Avery L.



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21	22	Asynch. Paper Packages Available after 9:30 a.m.	24	Virtual School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	26 CRAZY HAIR & SOCKS DAY	27
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