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Montreal Gazette editor-in-chief Andrew Phillips dropped by his old school – Westmount High – for the opening day of classes. Read inside for more details.

No School Closings Planned

The EMSB Long Range Planning Committee will not be recommending any school closures for implementation in the 2006-2007 academic year. A workshop will be held for commissioners to study the EMSB network as a whole after the September 30, 2005 enrolment figures have been reviewed. Dr. Horace Goddard, chair of the Long Range Planning Committee, notes that a comprehensive study will be deposited with recommendations for the 2007-2008 academic year. Last year the EMSB Council of Commissioners voted to two primary schools, St. Patrick and St. Ignatius of Loyola and two highs schools, St. Pius X and Wagar. “The declining birth rate and the implementation of Bill 104 is of particular concern to our elementary sector and puts into question the viability and ability of some schools to offer the programs of the students’ choice. The high schools in the south-west and in the north sectors need to be monitored because of the closures of Wagar and St. Pius.”

TOWN HALL- OCTOBER 18, 2005

WEB RELAUNCH: The English Montreal School Board has officially relaunched its website at www.emsb.qc.ca. A team headed by marketing associate **Kathleen Préfontaine** and information communications technology consultant Brian Seltmann spent much of the past year rebuilding and redesigning the site, which gets an extraordinary amount of traffic from stakeholders and the community-at-large. They were assisted by **Adolfo Vasquez** and **Yibing Shen**. Communications Voix Visuelle undertook the interface design. The mandate for the team was to create a website that was esthetically pleasing yet easy to navigate, for both experienced and not-so-experienced web surfers, and to make information readily available at the click of a mouse. The team is confident that such a site has been created.

CLASSES CANCELLED: In view of the legal strike action being taken by support staff workers, classes in all 85 of the EMSB's schools and adult centres were cancelled on August 31. The first day of class was moved to Thursday, September 1.

HIGH SCHOOL KICKOFF: The EMSB kicked off the 2005-2006 academic year on Sept, 1 with a new marketing campaign aimed at promoting its much improved high school network. Media were invited to Westmount High School as Principal **Claude Dansereau** welcomed Grade 7 and 8 students. EMSB Chairman **Dominic Spiridigliozzi**, Executive Committee and Marketing Chair **Sylvia LoBianco**, Director General **Antonio Lacroce** and Regional Director **Mario Tirelli** were on hand. **Andrew Phillips**, editor-in-chief of *The Montreal Gazette Newspaper* and a Westmount High School graduate (1970), addressed the students. This year the EMSB is placing a strong focus on its diversified high school network. Westmount High School is a perfect example of the much improved standing of the EMSB's secondary network. The EMSB now has 17 high

schools, following the closure of Wagar and St. Pius X in June. It also has a nine outreach high schools, six adult high schools and four in the social affairs category. For instance, Westmount High School has become the first public secondary institution in Quebec to offer Advanced Placement Examinations. Previously the only schools within Quebec to offer this elite program were within the private sector such as Lower Canada College, Stanstead, and Bishop College School. Internationally recognized, the Advanced Placement Program or "AP" offers students an opportunity to earn credit or advanced placement in colleges and universities in over 29 countries. For more information log on to www.emsb.qc.ca/westmount or www.collegeboard.com.

ST. PATRICK CASE: The English Montreal School Board (EMSB) was pleased with the mid-July decision by Quebec Superior Court Judge **Jean-Francois Buffoni**, denying a request for an interlocutory injunction by plaintiffs for St. Patrick Elementary School in the Plateau. As a result of this ruling, the resolution adopted by the EMSB to close St. Patrick and remove its deed of establishment remains in place. Most of the former St. Patrick students have enrolled at nearby Bancroft School.

PUBLICATIONS: Copies of the EMSB Express Newspaper will be distributed to all schools and centres. It is also on the EMSB website in the Press Room section. The High School Guide Book will be sent out to all Grade 6 students. A full page advertisement in the EMSB Express for high school open houses is part of a new marketing strategy to reach out to parents and students all grade levels. Regarding the primary level, there are limited copies of a new elementary school guide book. Finally, the EMSB has produced a new glossy brochure aimed at encouraging more production companies to use the central head office and other facilities for filming. This brings in additional revenue to the Board.

TOWN HALL: The EMSB's first ever Town Hall Meeting will take place at St. Pius X (9905 Papineau) in Ahuntsic on Tuesday, October 18. A light supper will be served at 6 p.m., followed by the program. If you wish to attend please respond immediately to townhall@emsb.qc.ca or by calling (514) 483-7200, ext.7202. We must have your name and your EMSB affiliation. This will be the third in a series of such community forums spearheaded by the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA). It represents an important opportunity for EMSB commissioners and the QESBA to learn more about your concerns, take your suggestions and hear about success stories regarding English public education in Quebec. The meetings held thus far by the Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board and the Riverside School Board have been described as rewarding and stimulating.

TERRY FOX RUN: The Terry Fox National School Run Day will take place Friday, Sept. 16. To commemorate the 25th anniversary of the Marathon of Hope, every school in Canada has been invited to hold a coast to coast, simultaneous Terry Fox Run. The event will be covered live nationally on CBC Newsworld, and CBC Radio One. It is possible that the EMSB's Roslyn School and caretaker **Eddie Nolan** will be among those featured. Thus far 60 percent of the schools in Canada have signed up, with over 3 million students and counting to take part. "To the best of our knowledge, it will be the largest event in Canadian history," says **Peter Sheremeta**, National School Run Organizer "To give an idea of the scope of this event, if every student taking part walks or runs one km, then it will be the equivalent of 75 laps around the planet! It is going to be an incredible day for cancer research, and for Canada's schools." For more information, schools can contact the Foundation office at (514) 499-9747 or visit www.terryfoxrun.org.

LANGUAGE CAMP: A two-week EMSB Summer Language Camp concluded Aug. 19 at Pierre-de-Coubertin Elementary School (in St. Léonard, marking the fourth successive for this program. The intent of this camp is to provide intensive language stimulation to a small group of EMSB language disabled children living in the East End of Montreal, who are at risk of academic difficulties due to their language development delay. Language disabled students in the East End are seen as the targeted clientèle in view of the insufficient English language services available in that area of the city. "The program was intended to be a fun-filled learning experience," say EMSB Director of Student Services **Lew Lewis**, who notes that four speech and language consultants have served as staff.



Lew Lewis

Mr. Lewis emphasized that children with language development delays are often diagnosed before they enter a school setting. If their cases are considered "severe" enough, they may receive a small amount of English language therapy from the Montreal Children's Hospital. There are also a few private clinics (mostly in Westmount and the West Island) where parents can bring their children to receive therapy, if they can afford the \$70 to \$90 per hour fee. Another hurdle for these children is the fact that they (like most children) are not exposed to any academic work over the course of their two month summer vacation. As a result, when they return to school in September, time is required to review the previous year's

material before new lessons can be presented. “For children with significant language development delays, the challenge of school re-entry is even greater, says Mr. Lewis. “Not only have these children ‘lost’ some of the knowledge and language skills they had in June, but they also require more time and help to ‘re-learn’ certain skills. This camp has given language delayed students a ‘boost’ before the other children are back at school and will hopefully allow them to start the academic year on more solid ground. It is also an opportunity for these children to receive speech-language services on a more consistent and intensive basis than is possible during the school year.”

Students participated in a variety of daily theme-based activities, such as games, artwork, music, and story-telling, aimed at promoting the development of expressive and receptive language abilities, phonological awareness skills, vocabulary and pragmatic skills. Those attending the camp were children enrolled in regular EMSB Grade 1 or 2 classes in September 2005. They must also have received a comprehensive speech-language assessment. EMSB Speech Language Therapist **Elisabeth Christe** coordinated the initiative.

LAURENHILL: The third annual edition of Camp LaurenHill took place August 16 to 19 at the Junior Campus of LaurenHill Academy. Designed to help incoming Grade 7 students acclimatize to the pace and demands of high school, the program accommodated approximately 45 students. The shortened day, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., included classes in French, English, math, art, physical education, dance, science, geography, computer, library use, and/or study skills. The small school format provided students with the feel and confidence they needed to start high school on the right foot.



Papoulias (left) seen here with hockey star James Desmarais.

LYNX VS. ISRAEL: Hard work and perseverance has paid off for **Kosta Papoulias**, the head coach of the LaurenHill Lynx. His team will play a game against the Israel National Team on Sun. Oct. 23 at the Samuel Moskovitch Arena in Côte Saint-Luc. Papoulias met Alan Maislin, the Montreal-based president of the Israeli Ice Hockey Federation, at a sports breakfast last spring and planted the idea. The Lynx will also benefit from some special tuition from the Israeli team’s head coach, former Canadiens mentor Jean Perron. For more information, you can call 483-7200 ext. PUCK (7825), e-mail lha.israel@gmail.com or log on to (<http://www.emsb.qc.ca/laurenhilljr/hockey>) for more details.

PLAYGROUND REJUVENATION: At Hampstead Elementary School, the playground structure is being repaired and refurbished by a subcontractor on Sept 23. The funding for those repairs is coming from Decarie Saturn. The following day, Sept. 24, about 65 volunteers from the Home Depot in St. Henri/Westmount will come to the school and rejuvenate the playground with planters, bushes, new trashcans, new park benches and they will do some fancy mosaic work in the area of the benches, inlaying the Hampstead School logo in the cement triangle that will set off the three new benches. “We will probably have a contest for the children to design a new logo,” says Governing Board Chair Clarice Samuels.

“Some volunteers from Decarie Saturn will also be there. The parents of Hampstead will provide lunch and a snack for the volunteers and parents and students will participate in the gardening.”

GENERAL VANIER FACELIFT: Meanwhile, at General Vanier Elementary School in St. Léonard has also received a donation from its local Saturn dealer, reports Principal **Nick Katalifos**. Their program is called Saturn Kidspace. The dealership at 9415 Papineau in St. Leonard (Mondial Saturn SAAB Isuzu) was greatly involved with the project. The manager there, **Nick Avdeliodis**, assisted with the grant application. They agreed to pay for the painting of games (basketball courts, soccer games, track and field, “snakes and ladders,” “Tic Tac Toe,” and “Hopscotch” etc); the installation of two basketball nets and backboards on the court; and the installation of one plastic-type basketball net for younger students. All of this for a cost of \$7,000. In addition, they will host a barbecue for up to 600 people on Sat. Sept. 24 to inaugurate all the new games.

BOOK SALE: The fifth annual International Literacy Month Book Sale to Benefit the Centre for Literacy of Quebec begins tomorrow, Sept. 8, and continues through Oct. 2. The main location is once again Plaza Côte-des-Neiges (6700 Côte des Neiges Road), with two smaller annexes: the Côte St .Luc Shopping Centre (7001 Côte Saint-Luc Road) and Le Faubourg Ste. Catherine (1616 St. Catherine West). Each store will have an excellent assortment of interesting books.

Discounts will remain up to 80 percent off the publisher's original price. Titles will include : Children - How-to - Art Books, Computer, Educational, cookbooks, fiction, academic, software, Thousands of Publisher's clearance and bestselling titles and much more!

VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL: Students

who were previously serviced at Victoria High School, part of the EMSB social affairs network, are now being directed to the educational program at the Montreal Children's It was originally created to serve students with psychiatric and psychological problems at the Allan Memorial Institute of the Royal Victoria Hospital.

BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE: The Ministry of Education, Leisure and Sports (MELS) has allocated \$97.5 million for the public school system as a first step to deal with the deterioration of the building infrastructures. The EMSB has identified a number of projects dealing with roofs, windows, boiler equipment and masonry work for a total of over \$5 million. This list has been submitted to the MELS.



The golf tournament was a big success.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: The EMSB held its second annual Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament June 29 at the Lachute Golf Club. More than \$20,000 was raised for the EMSB Scholarship Program, which benefits a number of current students and EMSB graduates, so that they can pursue their post secondary studies in vocational education, CEGEP studies or undergraduate studies. An array of corporate sponsors contributed to the success of this event. The day included 18 holes of golf (shotgun start, Vegas style), brunch, cocktails and dinner, plenty of fabulous door prizes, plus prizes for longest drive and closest to pin. CFCF TV's **Frank**

Cavallaro golfed and served as the master of ceremonies for the dinner. As a special promotion, Mondial Saturn SAAB (www.mondialsaturn.com), located at 9411 Papineau, put a \$38,000 2005 SAAB 9-3 up for grabs if anyone could get a hole-in-one on the 17th hole. The Merit Travel Group (www.merit.ca) had a vacation package available if someone sunk their first shot on the fifth hole. While nobody achieved either feat, The Merit Travel Group did present a \$200 putter to the golfer who was closest to the pin. EMSB Chairman **Dominic Spiridigliozzi** and Deputy Director General **Donald A. Reid**, who headed the organizing committee, were delighted with the turnout of 156 golfers. This included representatives from each of the Montreal Island's public school boards and **Russell Copeman**, Liberal MNA for Nore Dame de Grâce. The EMSB will present student scholarships at a ceremony to be held early in the academic year.

CAREER FAIR: Isabelle Hudon, the president and chief executive officer of the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Montreal, will be the keynote speaker at the opening ceremonies of the sixth annual EMSB Career Fair, which will take place October 25 to 27 at St. Pius X Adult Centre in Ahuntsic. More than 3,000 Secondary V and VI students will be in attendance over the three days. Ms. Hudon will kick things off on Tuesday morning and then meet with students in the kiosk area. Justin Trudeau performed these duties last year. Ms. Hudon has worked in the field of public affairs, communications, and strategic positioning for more than 16 years. She has developed solid expertise in the areas of company reorganization, strategic counseling, communications, crisis management and government relations in both the public and private sectors. Her stops included senior communications roles with the federal government in Ottawa, Bell Global Solutions (a subsidiary of Bell Canada), the Canadian Space Agency (CSA), Bombardier Aerospace, BCE Media and the

Montreal Transition Committee. She joined the Board of Trade in January 2002, first as communications director, then vice-president, strategies and communications and executive vice-president. Last year she was promoted to the title of president and chief executive officer.

This year's Career Fair theme is once again "Focus on Tomorrow." The event's principal sponsor is **Jack Dym** of Pipe and Piling Supplies. Mr. Dym, a successful Montreal businessman and philanthropist, is a product of the public system. RBC Royal Bank and Tony

Rucolo(tony.rucolo@agc.inalco.com) of Industrial Alliance Insurance are also sponsors. The Student Services and Adult Education and Vocational Services Departments of the EMSB coordinate this program, Chairman **Tina Stoupakis**, the guidance counsellor at Vincent Massey Collegiate, notes that the main objective of the Career Fair is to provide Secondary V and senior adult education students with an in-depth exposure to the various educational opportunities available to them. The final day will be devoted to Secondary IV students, providing them with an opportunity to start charting their respective futures two years in advance of graduation.

Each participating Secondary V high school and adult education student will take part in a general session of 30 minutes in the St. Pius X auditorium, during which time presentations will include information with respect to CEGEP and vocational educational programs, as well as admission requirements. There will also be testimonials from EMSB vocational education students who are presently finishing their programs. The dynamic **Hugh Adams**, former guidance counsellor at Lester B. Pearson High School, will serve as the moderator on stage. Students will then have the chance to visit the various exhibition/information booths staffed by representatives from English vocational centres, CEGEPS, universities and the

Canadian Armed Forces. Secondary IV students will only be exposed to the latter part of the program, since this is only an introduction for them.

CORONATION IN JAPAN: The defending 2004 World Junior Robotics champion Coronation Elementary School team returned this summer from the 2005 event in Japan. The team, in fact, can be seen on the website of the Mainichi Newspaper, one of the five biggest national publications in the country at: <http://mdn.mainichi-msn.co.jp/specials/people/news/20050816p2g00m0dm011000c.ht>.

BAGEL BREAKFAST: The Generations Foundation will hold its Back to School Bagelthon III at the St. Viateur Bagel & Café (5629 Monkland) on Thurs. Sept. 15, (6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.). Luciano Pipia will broadcast live reports on 940News. There will be an auction and chances to win prizes. Proceeds will benefit the Generations Foundation by providing thousands of children with nutritious snacks, hot meals and breakfast.

FIRST TOUCH SOCCER: The champion Montreal Impact soccer club are heading back into the gymnasiums of the EMSB this fall and winter. First Touch Soccer has announced that its popular soccer camps, featuring Impact players as the instructors, will commence in October. The cost per child is \$75 for one 10-week session. A total of \$5 from each registration fee goes back to the school. Principals should call Mario at 873-1697 to reserve as possible.

SHRINE CIRCUS: The 2005 edition of the Shrine Circus (www.shrine-circus.com) will be at the Galeries d'Anjou Sept. 3-11. As a token of appreciation to EMSB schools that supported the Shriner's Hospital in its successful bid to stay in Montreal, circus organizers have provided the EMSB with several hundred \$5 per ticket discount

coupons. The circus will raise close to \$100,000 for the hospital. Its an entertaining program featuring dancing poodles, horses, elephants, a boxing kangaroo, acrobats and of course, clowns.

PEOPLE: **Walter Ninzatti** has retired as director of the St. Pius X Adult Centre and Culinary InstituteRosemount High School Guidance Counsellor **Claudia Bourdon** has been presented with the prestigious Justine Harris Award. Ms. Bourdon, a longstanding member of the Quebec Counselling Association (QCA), was selected by her peers for her leadership skills, professional counselor qualities along with a genuine concern for her staff and students.

ADULT EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL SERVICES

PRAW ELECTED: Commissioner **Bernie Praw** has been elected vice-chair of the Adult Education and Vocational Services Advisory (AEVS) Committee. **Frank DiCesare** was re-elected chair.

DONATIONS TO RTC: Rosemount Technology Centre (RTC) has received another donation from Johnson and Johnson, an automated system packaging machine that will be installed at Campus II and used as part of the Automated System in Electromechanics program. Furthermore, Patella Inc. has donated approximately \$5,000 worth of precious wood veneers. "This is a tremendous addition to the cabinetmaking program," said Centre Director **Marzia Michielli**. "The students learn marquetry skills but we would not necessarily work with this type of precious wood. Both donations serve to enrich the programs at RTC and we are very grateful for industry's support" Meanwhile, former RTC student Marc Cloutier, now working for Affiliated Engineers NW, Inc., has donated a Fluke multimeter to the school. It will be handed out at graduation ceremonies on June 8, 2006 and presented to an outstanding student in the department. A Fluke

multimeter is a digital meter that measures resistance, voltage and current. “Fluke” is the name brand of this digital multimeter.

HIGH SCHOOL OF MONTREAL: The High School of Montreal Adult Centre has moved back to the St. Patrick facility on du Bullion, after spending the last two years in St. Michel.

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER 3-11, 2005

Shrine Circus
Galleries d’Anjou

SEPTEMBER 8, 2005

World Literacy Day

SEPTEMBER 15, 2005

Generations Foundation
Back to School Bagelthon III
St. Viateur Bagel & Café
5629 Monkland
6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2005

Terry Fox National School Run Day
Info: (514) 499-9747 or
www.terryfoxrun.org.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2005

EMSB Council Meeting
6000 Fielding
7:30 PM

OCTOBER 18, 2005

EMSB Town Hall
St. Pius X
6:30 PM
email: townhall@emsb.qc.ca

OCTOBER 25-28, 2005

EMSB Career Fair

NOVEMBER 7 to 11, 2005

Vocational Education Week

NOVEMBER 17, 2005

Professional Development Day

NOVEMBER 17 & 18, 2005

QPAT Convention
Palais des Congrès

PLEINS FEUX SUR FIELDING

RENOUVELLEMENT DU SITE WEB:

La Commission scolaire English-Montréal a inauguré officiellement cet été son site Web renouvelé www.emsb.qc.ca. Une équipe dirigée par l’associée en marketing **Kathleen Préfontaine** et le conseiller en technologie de l’information et des communications, **Brian Seltman**, et avec l’aide d’**Adolfo Vasquez** et **Yibing Shen** a consacré une grande partie de l’an dernier à renouveler et redessiner le site qui est consulté par un très grand nombre de partenaires et par la communauté en général. Voix Visuelle a entrepris la conception de l’interface. Le mandat de l’équipe était de créer un site Web esthétique et facile à naviguer pour les surfers expérimentés et novices. Le site renouvelé a été officiellement lancé le 4 juillet.

ANNULATION DE CLASSES : En vue de la grève légale du personnel de soutien, les classes des 85 écoles et centres de la CSEM ont été annulées le 31 août. La première journée de classe a été reportée au 1^{er} septembre.

ASSEMBLÉE PUBLIQUE GÉNÉRALE.:

La première assemblée publique générale officiellement tenue par la CSEM aura lieu le mardi 18 octobre à l’école St. Pius X (9905 Papineau). Un léger souper sera servi à 18 h et, si vous désirez y assister, veuillez répondre immédiatement à townhall@emsb.qc.ca ou en appelant au (514) 483-7200, poste 7202. Vous devrez donner votre nom ainsi que votre affiliation à la CSEM. Cette assemblée sera la troisième

d'une série de ces forums communautaires préconisés par l'Association des commissions scolaires anglophones du Québec (ACSAQ). C'est une importante occasion donnée aux commissaires de la CSEM et à l'ACSAQ d'en apprendre plus au sujet de vos préoccupations, de prendre vos suggestions et d'être mis au courant du succès de l'éducation publique anglaise au Québec. Ce type d'assemblée a été tenue à ce jour par la Commission scolaire Wilfrid Laurier et la Commission scolaire Riverside qui les ont qualifiées de stimulantes et enrichissantes.

COURSE TERRY FOX : La course nationale Terry Fox aura lieu le vendredi 16 septembre pour commémorer le 25^e anniversaire du Marathon de l'Espoir. Chaque école du Canada a été invitée à organiser simultanément, d'un océan à l'autre, une course Terry Fox. Cet événement sera couvert en direct dans tout le pays par *CBC Newsworld* et *CBC Radio One*. Il est possible que l'école Roslyn de la CSEM et le concierge **Eddie Nolan** seront mis en vedette. À ce jour, 60 pour cent des écoles du Canada se sont inscrites et plus de 3 millions d'élèves participeront à la course. « Au meilleur de notre connaissance, ce sera l'évènement le plus important de l'histoire canadienne, » déclare **Peter Sheremeta**, organisateur de la course nationale. « Pour avoir une idée de l'importance de l'évènement, si chaque élève participant marche ou court un kilomètre, ce sera l'équivalent de 75 tours de la planète ! Ce sera une journée mémorable pour la recherche sur le cancer et pour les écoles du Canada. » Pour plus de renseignements, les écoles peuvent communiquer avec le bureau de la Fondation à www.terryfoxrun.org ou appeler au (514) 499-9747.

CAMP LINGUISTIQUE : Le camp linguistique de deux semaines de la CSEM s'est terminé le 19 août à l'école primaire Pierre-de-Coubertin de l'arrondissement de Saint-Léonard, le quatrième camp successif

de ce programme couronné de succès. Le but du camp est d'offrir une stimulation linguistique intensive à un petit groupe d'élèves de la CSEM qui résident à l'est de Montréal et qui éprouvent des difficultés de langage risquant de leur causer des difficultés académiques. Ces élèves sont la clientèle visée à cause de l'insuffisance des services en anglais disponibles dans cet arrondissement de la ville. « Le programme a été conçu pour offrir une expérience linguistique divertissante » déclare **Lew Lewis**, directeur des Services aux élèves de la CSEM, qui souligne que les services ont été dispensés par quatre conseillers en orthophonie et communication. M. Lewis a aussi souligné que les enfants qui éprouvent des retards de développement de langage sont souvent diagnostiqués avant d'entrer à l'école. Si les cas sont considérés assez « sérieux » ces élèves pourront se prévaloir des services de thérapie en anglais dispensés par l'Hôpital de Montréal pour enfants. Il existe aussi quelques cliniques privées (surtout à Westmount et dans l'Ouest de l'île) où les parents peuvent diriger leurs enfants si ils peuvent se permettre des frais de 70 \$ à 90 \$ de l'heure. Un autre obstacle pour ces enfants est le fait que (comme la plupart des enfants) ils ne sont exposés à aucun travail académique au cours de leurs deux mois de congé d'été. Par conséquent, quand ils retournent à l'école en septembre, il faut du temps pour passer en revue le matériel de l'année écoulée avant de présenter de nouvelles leçons. « Pour les enfants qui ont des retards significatifs de développement de langage, le défi du retour à l'école est encore plus difficile à relever » déclare M. Lewis, « Non seulement ces enfants ont 'perdu' quelques unes des connaissances et des habiletés acquises, mais ils ont besoin de plus de temps pour acquérir à nouveau certaines habiletés. Ce camp leur donne une 'poussée' avant que les autres enfants retournent à l'école et leur permet de commencer l'année scolaire avec des bases plus solides. C'est aussi une occasion pour ces enfants de recevoir des services d'orthophonie sur une

base plus consistante et intensive que celle qui est dispensée durant l'année scolaire. »

Les élèves ont participé à une variété d'activités journalières basées sur des thèmes, telles que des jeux, de l'artisanat, de la musique et des récits de contes visant à promouvoir le développement d'habiletés expressives et réceptives de langage, des habiletés de sensibilisation phonologique et des habiletés pragmatiques et de vocabulaire. Les élèves qui ont participé au camp sont des enfants inscrits aux classes régulières de 1^{re} et de 2^e année de la CSEM en septembre 2005. Les orthophonistes de la CSEM leur ont aussi dispensé une évaluation orthophonique. Ce programme a été coordonné par Elisabeth Christe.

RÉNOVATION DE COUR : La cour de l'école primaire Hampstead sera réparée et rénovée par un sous-traitant le 23 septembre. Le financement de ces réparations provient de Décarie Saturn. Le 24 septembre, près de 65 bénévoles de *Home Depot* de Saint-Henri / Westmount se rendront à l'école pour rénover la cour de l'école en y installant des plantes, des buissons, de nouvelles poubelles, de nouveaux bancs et ils installeront aussi de la mosaïque près des bancs et graveront le logo de l'école Hampstead, dans le triangle de ciment qui délimitera les trois nouveaux bancs. « Nous aurons probablement un concours pour le dessin du nouveau logo » a déclaré Clarice Samuels, présidente du conseil d'établissement. « Quelques bénévoles de Decarie Saturn seront aussi présents. Les parents de Hampstead offriront un déjeuner et une collation aux bénévoles, aux élèves et aux parents qui participeront au jardinage. »

VENTE DE LIVRES : La cinquième vente annuelle de livres du Mois International d'Alphabétisation au profit du Centre d'alphabétisation du Québec aura lieu le 8 septembre et se poursuivra jusqu'au 2 octobre. Le point de vente principal est à nouveau la Plaza Côte-des-Neiges (6700

Côte-des-Neiges) avec deux annexes plus petites : le centre d'achats Côte-Saint-Luc (7001 Chemin de la Côte-Saint-Luc) et le Faubourg Sainte-Catherine (1616 Sainte-Catherine ouest). Chaque emplacement aura un excellent assortiment de livres intéressants. Les escomptes seront de 80 pour cent du prix original. Les livres offerts seront des livres pour enfants, d'art, d'informatique, des livres de recettes, de fiction, académique, etc.

TOURNOI DE GOLF : La CSEM a tenu son deuxième tournoi annuel de golf le 29 juin au club de golf Lachute. Plus de 20 000 \$ ont été recueillis pour le programme de bourses d'études de la CSEM, qui a été créé à l'intention des élèves actuels et des diplômés de la CSEM afin de les aider à poursuivre leurs études post-secondaires et de formation professionnelle. Un grand nombre de commanditaires ont contribué au succès de cet événement. **Frank Cavallaro** de CFCF TV a participé au tournoi et a tenu le rôle de maître de cérémonies pour le souper. À titre de promotion spéciale, Mondial Saturn SAAB (www.mondialsatrun.com), situé au 9411 Papineau, avait offert une SAAB 9-3 2005 d'une valeur de 38 000 \$ à toute personne qui atteindrait le 17^e trou d'un seul coup. Le groupe Merit Travel (www.merit.ca) avait aussi offert un forfait de voyage à toute personne qui atteindrait le cinquième trou d'un seul coup. Bien que personne n'ait atteint cet objectif, le groupe Merit Travel a offert un fer d'une valeur de 200 \$ au golfeur qui s'est rapproché le plus du trou. Le président de la CSEM, **Dominic Spiridigliozzi**, et le directeur général adjoint, **Donald A. Reid**, qui ont dirigé le comité organisateur ont été ravis du nombre de participants (156 golfeurs) qui incluait des représentants de chaque commission scolaire publique de Montréal et **Russel Copeman**, député libéral de N.D.G. à l'Assemblée Nationale. La CSEM présentera les bourses d'études lors d'une cérémonie qui aura lieu au début de l'année scolaire.

FOIRE DE CARRIÈRES : Isabelle Hudon, présidente et p.d.g. de la Chambre de commerce du Montréal métropolitain sera la conférencière principale aux cérémonies d'ouverture de la sixième Foire annuelle de carrières de la CSEM, qui aura lieu du 25 au 27 octobre au Centre des adultes St. Pius X à Ahuntsic. Plus de 3,000 élèves du Secondaire IV et V seront présents au cours de ces trois journées. Mme Hudon lancera l'évènement le mardi matin et rencontrera les élèves dans l'aire des kiosques. Mme Hudon a œuvré dans le domaine des affaires publiques, des communications depuis plus de 16 ans. Elle a acquis une solide expertise dans les domaines de réorganisation d'entreprises, de conseils stratégiques, de communications, de gestion de crises et de relations gouvernementales dans le domaine public et privé. Elle a tenu des rôles majeurs de communications avec le gouvernement fédéral à Ottawa, *Bell Global Solutions* (une filiale de Bell Canada), l'Agence spatiale canadienne, Bombardier Aerospace, BCE Media et le Comité de transition de Montréal. Elle s'est jointe à la Chambre de commerce en janvier 2002, à titre de directrice des communications, puis vice-présidente, stratégies et communications, et vice-présidente exécutive. L'an dernier, elle a été promue au poste de présidente et de présidente directrice générale.

Le thème de la Foire de carrières de cette année a été à nouveau « L'accent sur l'avenir ». Le commanditaire principal de l'évènement est **Jack Dym** de *Pipe and Piling Supplies*. M. Dym, homme d'affaires prospère et philanthrope, est un produit du réseau public d'éducation. La Banque Royale et Tony Ruccolo (tony.ruccolo@agc.inalco.com) de l'Alliance Industrielle ont été aussi commanditaires de l'évènement. Les services de la formation générale des adultes et de la formation professionnelle de la CSEM coordonnent la Foire. La présidente, **Tina Stoupakis**, conseillère d'orientation au Collège Vincent Massey, souligne que l'objectif principal de

la Foire de carrières est de donner l'occasion aux élèves du Secondaire V et de la formation générale des adultes une vue en profondeur des diverses occasions académiques qui leur sont disponibles. La dernière journée sera consacrée aux élèves du Secondaire IV qui auront ainsi l'occasion de commencer à planifier leur avenir, deux ans avant la fin de leurs études.

Chaque élève du Secondaire V et de la formation générale des adultes prendra part à une session générale de 30 minutes à l'auditorium de St. Pius X, au cours de laquelle ils recevront des informations sur les CÉGEPs et les programmes de formation professionnelle ainsi que sur les exigences d'admission. Il y aura aussi des témoignages d'élèves de la formation professionnelle de la CSEM qui terminent en ce moment leurs études. **Hugh Adams**, ancien conseiller d'orientation à l'école secondaire Lester B. Pearson, tiendra le rôle de modérateur. Les élèves auront aussi l'occasion de visiter les divers kiosques d'information/exposition où ils pourront s'entretenir avec des représentants des Centres anglophones de formation professionnelle, de CÉGEPs, d'universités et des Forces armées canadiennes. Les élèves du Secondaire IV ne participeront qu'à la dernière partie du programme étant donné que la Foire ne représente qu'une introduction pour eux.

NOUVELLES BRÈVES : Walter Ninzatti, directeur du Centre de formation générale des adultes et de l'Institut culinaire St. Pius X a pris sa retraite....Le prix prestigieux Justine Harris a été décerné à **Claudia Bourdon**, conseillère d'orientation de l'école secondaire Rosemont. Mme Bourdon, membre de longue date de l'Association des conseillers du Québec, a été choisie par ses pairs pour ses habiletés de leadership, ses qualités de conseillère professionnelle ainsi que pour sa préoccupation réelle pour son personnel et ses élèves.

ST. PATRICK: English-Montréal (CSEM) a été très satisfaite de la décision prise à la mi-juillet par le Juge **Jean-Francois Buffoni** de la Cour Supérieure du Québec refusant une demande d'injonction interlocutoire déposée par les plaignants de l'école St. Patrick du Plateau. Suite à cette décision, la résolution adoptée par la CSEM fermant l'école et transférant l'acte d'établissement demeure en effet. La plupart des anciens élèves de St. Patrick ont été inscrits à l'école Bancroft.

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DONS AU CTR : Le Centre de technologie de Rosemont (CTR) a reçu un autre don de Johnson et Johnson, un appareil d'emballage automatisé, qui sera installé au Campus II et fera partie du programme automatisé d'électromécanique. En outre, Patella Inc. a fait don de près de 5 000 \$ de précieuses feuilles minces de bois. « Ce don est un immense ajout au programme d'ébénisterie » a déclaré **Marzia Michielli**, directrice du Centre.

« Les élèves apprennent les habiletés de marqueterie mais nous ne travaillons pas nécessairement avec ce type de bois précieux. Les deux dons serviront à enrichir les programmes du CTR et nous sommes profondément reconnaissants pour l'appui du milieu industriel. » L'ancien élève du CTR, Marc Cloutier, qui travaille actuellement pour *Affiliated Engineers NW Inc.* a fait don à l'école d'un multimètre Fluke qui sera remis au cours de la cérémonie de remise de diplômes le 8 juin 2006 et présenté à un(e) élève exceptionnel(le). Un multimètre Fluke est un appareil digital qui mesure la résistance, la tension et le courant. Fluke est la marque de commerce de ce multimètre digital.

DATES IMPORTANTES

8 septembre 2005

Journée mondiale de l'alphabétisation

16 septembre 2005

Journée de la course nationale Terry Fox
Renseignements (514) 499-9747 ou
www.terryfoxrun.org

28 septembre 2005

Réunion du conseil des commissaires de la CSEM
6000 avenue Fielding
19 h 30

18 octobre 2005

Assemblée publique générale
St. Pius X
18 h 30
courriel : townhall@emsb.qc.ca

25-28 octobre 2005

Foire de carrières de la CSEM

7 au 11 novembre 2005

Semaine de la formation professionnelle

17 novembre 2005

Journée du perfectionnement professionnel

17 et 18 novembre 2005

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