

Merton Home and School Association

Enrichment Courses Winter 2010

It is time for the Winter session of Enrichment Courses. They are organized and managed by the Merton Home and School Association. This letter contains important information about registration and policies regarding Merton's Enrichment Courses. Please read it carefully.

The Enrichment Committee is a group of parent volunteers who have worked hard to organize a high quality program. We have repeated some of the more popular courses and are offering a few new courses. All of our new instructors come to us very highly recommended by the parent coordinators of other schools at which they teach. If you need information or have problems regarding one of our courses, please contact one of the parents on the Enrichment Committee through the **Home and School Office at (514) 481-2033 or by e-mail mertonhs@videotron.ca**

This semester will start around the second week of January. The official dates will be in the Home & School Newsletter of Tuesday Jan 5th, 2010 . Please check the web site for the newsletter. The winter session will **run for 8 weeks. Except for Drama, please see blurb.**

Please read the enclosed information and fill out the registration form. You may bring this form along with your payment to our first "Enrichment sign up night Wednesday Dec. 9th in the gym." If for some reason you can not attend you will be able to give your child's registration form to a friend. (1 family per friend). If there are courses still open after the registration night an e-mail will be sent out to all parents to inform you. You will then be able to register by e-mail only, no later than Dec. 14th 8:30am.

Please note: The courses have limited enrolment and are filled on a first come, first serve basis. Maximum class sizes, as outlined in the

schedule, will be strictly adhered to, so please register early to avoid disappointment.

*****Please note all Merton School fees** (lunch supervision and resale) **and Home & School Association fees** (AEF, membership & ASA) **must be in good standing to be able to sign up for any enrichment classes.**

1) Pick-up Policy

a) Merton After school Enrichment courses run from 2:30 - 3:30 pm, once a week (except for Sr. Sports, which runs until 4:00 pm).

b) Students are dismissed through the Robinson Street door, near the main office. Dismissal procedure is similar to that used for the end of the school day. A bell rings at 3:30 pm, signalling the end of Enrichment classes. Students gather their belongings and are brought by the enrichment teacher to the Robinson Street door, where they are dismissed between 3:30 pm and **Senior Sports will be 4:00 pm**) Parents should meet their children inside the school near the school office.

d) The Enrichment teacher will dismiss the children and Donna Martineau will be there to assist. **Students will not be dismissed to parents waiting in cars. They must be met at the door.**

e) Any parents who may want their children to be dismissed on their own (so that they can walk home alone) must authorize the Enrichment Committee prior to the beginning of classes in a clearly signed and dated letter, absolving Merton School and the Merton Home and School Association of any responsibility for their child being thus left unattended. Any students authorized to be dismissed on their own will not be permitted to loiter on Merton School grounds.

f) Children who are to be dismissed to the After School Activities program should inform their Enrichment Instructor of this fact by means of a note from their parent. (Students who are regularly to be dismissed to the After School Activities program should indicate this by checking to appropriate boxes on the registration form.). Their Enrichment Instructor will bring such students to the appropriate room at the same time as the students who are going home are being brought to the Robinson Street entrance.

g) Students who have not been picked up by 3:35 pm will be brought to the After School Activities program and you will be charge.

h) Please remember that there is no bussing after 2:30 pm. If your child normally takes the school bus, you must make other arrangements for pick-up.

2) Age of Students

- As in the past, if you would like your child to take a course for an older age group, exceptions are sometimes made based on maturity, ability, skill level or previous experience with the subject matter of the course. Contact the committee members to discuss this option; the ultimate decision will be between the instructor and the committee. Final decision will be at the discretion of the committee.

3) Insurance, Home & School Membership

- Because only students whose families are members of the Merton Home & School Association are covered by insurance, no one may participate in any Home & School run activities (such as the Enrichment Program or the After School Activities Program) without having first joined the Association.
- **If you have not already done so, and want to register for courses, please send in a separate \$16.00 cheque for the membership fee** (which covers the cost of insurance). If you have any questions regarding the Home & School Membership Fee, please contact the Merton Home and School Office at (514) 481-2033.

4) Discipline

- The discipline guidelines set by the Merton Home and School Association and part of the After School Program applies to all Enrichment activities.
 - So that all students may benefit from the Enrichment Courses in an atmosphere of serenity and cooperation, discipline problems will not be tolerated. **No food or drink allowed in the Enrichment class.**
 - **Students whose behaviour seriously disrupts the class will be given one warning before being suspended for one class or expelled for the balance of the course.**
- No refunds will be given if your child is suspended or expelled from the course because of a discipline problem.**

5) Payment

- Payment should be made by means of a cheque payable to the **Merton Home & School Association. Payment can also be made by Credit Card, Interac or cash.**
- **Please write your child's name on the back, along with the code "E/C" (for Enrichment Course).**
- The payment for each course covers the cost of any materials or equipment, which will be provided unless otherwise stated in the course description.
- Cheques returned for insufficient funds will result in immediate suspension of your child's registration. This registration will only be reinstated upon a cash payment for the full amount of cheque returned; **\$25.00 charge** will be added to the amount as stipulated in the regulations of payment policies adopted by the Merton Home and School Association.
- There will be no rebate for classes missed due to any delay in making payment for replacement of a returned cheque.
- The fees for individual courses vary, with higher prices usually reflecting higher material costs.
- **Courses do not run on Professional Days, during Parent/Teacher Interviews or other occasions when the school is closed, so PLEASE check your school calendar. The Enrichment Committee may send out a notice, but this is your official reminder.**
- **Cancelled classes due to circumstances beyond our control will be made up in the week following the end of the course or will be refunded, depending on the reason for the disruption of class.**
- We have tried to structure the fees so that some courses may generate a surplus that can be used to subsidize those courses whose costs are not covered due to low registration. We hope, thus, to avoid having to cancel classes for inadequate

registration. However, courses with registration that is as low as to make the class unviable will be cancelled. In such a case, fees will be refunded. Similarly, if your child is turned away because a course is full, you will receive a full refund for that course (unless, of course, you choose to apply those fees to another course that still has room).

- **Closed courses are a yearly commitment, no refunds for children who choose to drop out of the course will be issued unless it is for medical reasons (doctor's note required). Such as Drama...**
- **Please note MAD SCIENCE will only be 6 weeks.**

NB. PLEASE KEEP THIS FORM FOR YOUR PERSONAL RECORDS, AS THIS HAS PERTINENT INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR FEES, PAYMENT INFORMATION AND ALSO COURSE CONTENT.

**Merton Home and School Association
Enrichment Courses
Registration Form & Contract
Winter Session 2010**

Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____
 Room Number: _____ Teacher: _____
 Home Phone Number: _____
 Mother's Name: _____ Work Number: _____
 Father's Name: _____ Work Number: _____

PLEASE INDICATE: If After Enrichment Courses you would like us to dismiss him/her to (ASA) after school activities or get him/her (RFPU) ready for pick up.

Course	Fee	ASA or Pick up
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____

SUBTOTAL: _____

TOTAL: _____

*** When registering siblings, fill out a separate form for each one until the line marked "Subtotal", then add the fees for all siblings together on one sibling's form to get the "Total"**

Parent or guardian's name (please print) _____

I have read and understood the policy statements regarding insurance, Home & School Membership, Discipline and Payment, as well as the policy statement regarding Pick-up. I agree to abide by these policies and accept them as an integral part of this Registration Contract.

Parent or guardian's signature: _____

ENRICHMENT COURSE DESCRIPTION



Ballet: Grades Pre-K to 2 (max. 15)

Our little ones will learn the fundamental awareness and movement of arms, legs, hands and head, in time to music. The instructor, Ms. Paula Frank, teaches correct posture, musicality, vocabulary of ballet terms and group participation.

This will not be a closed course.

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Funky Bead (Jr.) & (Sr.): Grades Pre-K to 2 (Jr.) and 3 to 6 (Sr.) (max. 20)

Michelle the "Bead Lady" will teach students all the tricks of the trade! In this fun and informative session, they will be inspired to design their own beautiful bead creations using a variety of wooden, glass, plastic and ceramic beads. Students will choose from a wide range of projects such as friendship bracelets, beaded belts, illusion jewellery, funky chokers, cool key chains and much more. Boys and girls enjoy this workshop. 100% guaranteed fun.



Guitar/ Beginner/Intermediate/Advanced: Grades 3 to 6 (Beg.) Grades 3 to 6 (Int. & Adv.)

(max. 8)

Learn the fundamentals to playing the guitar. David Eves, our music teacher, will be teaching the children the basics and continuing where they left off from last year for the intermediate and advanced class.

P.S.: The day, number of students and grades could be change at the discretion of the teacher and Enrichment representative.



Let's Get cooking (max. 15) from 2:30 to 3:30 & Grades 3 to 6 (max. 15) from 3:30 to 4:30

Have you heard of something funky? If so, we are now adding more activities to our roster! "Let's Get Cooking!" is a brand new hip cooking class for both boys and girl. Your children will be sure to engage and amuse any curious kids in the kitchen! **THE COURSE FOR THE GRADES PRE-K TO 2 WILL RUN FROM 2:30 TO 3:30 & THE COURSE FOR THE GRADES 3 TO 6 WILL RUN FROM 3:30 TO 4:30. THE STUDENT GOING INTO THE COURSE FROM 3:30 TO 4:30 MUST BE EITHER IN THE ASA OR HOMEWORK PROGRAM FROM 2:30 TO 3:30 TO ATTEND. A STUDENT CANNOT LEAVE THE SCHOOL AND COME BACK TO ATTEND THIS COURSE.**



This winter we offer eight different workshops, which explain the aspects of science, technology, engineering and mathematics and their relation to our everyday world.

Working together with the NASA Langley Center for Distance Learning draws on NASA's extensive resources to develop educational programs that raise the public's awareness of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, and their relation to our everyday world.

Mad Science and the NASA Langley Center for Distance Learning have created the NASA Academy of Future Space Explorers, an unparalleled extra curricular program experience that brings the excitement and wonder of NASA's activities to you'

Mad Science: Grades Pre-K to 6 (max 20) 6 WEEKS ONLY



Sheltoons: Grades 1 to 4 (max. 20)

Draw, create, and imagine while learning the art of cartooning! Learn to draw some of your favourite Looney Toons characters. Learn the step by steps of cartoon creations! Discover the world of cartoon animation and create your own flip books. So grab a pencil and get ready to draw, draw, and draw!



Sports (Jr.) & (Sr.): Grades K to 2 (Jr.) and 3 to 6 (Sr.) (max 20)

Sports for boys and girls. Play soccer, baseball, and touch football with an emphasis on fundamental rules and good sportsmanship.

P.S. The Senior course runs for 1½ hour.



Fun with Art!

In this course which includes a fun mix of different arts and crafts, the students will create a variety of awesome works of art. Participants will be shown how to capture their individual creativity & display it in individual masterpieces of their own design. Throughout the course, the students will be introduced to several art mediums from which they will develop many fun "take-home" artsy projects. Themes will be chosen by class members at the beginning of the course. Vernissage on the last day where students will proudly display projects to family & friends. **Pre-K 3 max 15**



Learn- 2- Scrapbook!

All new projects for winter 2010!

Great for prior and new students!

In this fun and imaginative course - children create unique and treasured scrapbooks! These are creative and valued keepsakes! Don't miss out on this fun opportunity! **Pre-K -2 max 15**



Karate.

Kids will learn the fundamental techniques of karate with a strong influence on the spiritual side.

They will learn basic kick and punches for strength, courage and determination. The program will help kids focus, learn self discipline to help stimulate the mind in a positive way
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After School Drama with Louise

Do you like an audience? Do you have a talent? Why not use it while having fun after school right here at Merton! Come and join Louise in playing fun "Drama Games" and learn the skills that will help us put on a show at the end of the year. We will use costumes, make-up and stories to create our own play. If you like to laugh and make others laugh you belong in After School Drama!!! This course will run till April 2010. **Grades- 4-6**



Hockey: The children will learn basic stick handling techniques and drills with a emphasis on team play> They will finish each day with a game of ball hockey< Gloves and helmets with a full cage is mandatory> Any child that does not come to class with proper safety equipment will not be allowed to play. **Grades 3-6 max 12**

Hip Hop: ALL NEW MUSIC FOR WINTER 2010!! This super-popular course returns Our Hip-Hop Funk program returns with all new songs, and the latest in way cool moves! This fantastic dance program combines Hip-Hop and Funk that never seems to lose its style!!! Participants can groove to the hottest tunes . We choose exciting music for all grade levels and our music is lyrically approved for young dancers. At the end of this fun and exciting program is a performance demonstration for parents and friends!!! **Grades 3-6 max 20**

Thank -you Enrichment committee

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
COURSE	Funky Beads Jr	Beginner Guitar	Intermediate Guitar	Advance Guitar	Ballet
ROOM#	Room #16	Room #18	Room #18	Room #18	Room #18
DURATIO N	8 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks
GRADES	Gr PreK-2	Gr3-6	Gr 3-6	Gr 3-6	Gr PreK-2
FEES	\$85.00	85.00\$	85.00\$	85.00\$	85.00\$
MAX#	20	8	8	8	15
TIME	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm
COURSE	Funky Beads Sr	Sheltoons	Junior Sports	Sr Sports	Hockey
ROOM#	Room #16	Room 19	Gym	Gym	Gym
DURATIO N	8 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks
GRADES	Gr 3 - 6	PreK-3	Gr PreK-2	Gr3-6	Gr3-6
FEES	\$85.00	85.00\$	80.00\$	80.00\$	80.00\$
MAX#	20	15	20	20	12
TIME	3:30-4:30	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-4:00pm	2:30-3:30pm
COURSE	Karate	Karate	Mad Science	Scrap booking	Hip Hop
ROOM#	Gym	Gym	Room #16	Room # 10	Stage
DURATIO N	8 weeks	8 weeks	6 weeks	8 weeks	8 weeks
GRADES	Pre K-2	Gr3-6	Gr PreK-6	Gr PreK-2	Gr3-6
FEES	85.00\$	85.00\$	85.00\$	85.00\$	85.00\$
MAX#	15	15	20	15	20
TIME	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm
COURSE	Art Fun	Let's get Cooking		Drama	
ROOM#	TBD	Staff room		Course to run till	
DURATIO N	8 weeks	8 weeks		end of Spring	
GRADES	PreK-3	Gr PreK-2		Gr 3-6	
FEES	85.00\$	88.00\$		\$110.00	
MAX#	15	12		Min 15	
TIME	2:30-3:30pm	2:30-3:30pm		2:30-3:30pm	
COURSE		Let's get Cooking			
ROOM#		Staff room			
DURATIO N		8 weeks			
GRADES		Gr3-6			
FEES		88.00\$			
MAX#		15			
TIME		3:30-4:30pm			

