Congratulations to Sharon Martinson (teacher with the LDHSS autism program) who was recognized at the 2015 Capital Educators’ Awards last night as an outstanding educator. Sharon demonstrates a strong commitment to her students, an exemplary implementation of best practices for students with severe Autism, and a care and concern that has empowered her to be a tireless advocate for those who are limited in their ability to speak for themselves.

Over fourteen different musical acts performed at this year’s Coffeehouse last night. Congratulations to all the performers for reinforcing the idea that the LDHSS student body is full of diverse talents. A enthusiastic crowd was treated to vocal and instrumental performances as well as some spoken word poetry.

Twenty-Three LDHSS students took part in the uEducate General Science Contest run by the University Of Ottawa, on April 28th, many of whom ranked well in percentile ranking. Our top achievers were Abby Sun, who placed first overall, and Levi Tamming, who tied for second place. Both win cash prizes as well as scholarship money upon registering at the University of Ottawa. Congratulations to all the students who participated.

Our Intermediate W.E.B. Team has been working hard this month. Current W.E.B. Leaders welcomed over 300 Grade 6 students during the Feeder School Visits, and provided tours to both students and parents on the Grade 7 Parent Info Night. The W.E.B. Leaders for next year have been selected after undergoing several interviews. They will begin their training this week in preparation for the First Day of School.

Longfields was well represented in the Technovation Challenge (a global Technology Entrepreneurship program and competition for young women) for its first year in Ottawa with three teams of five girls each. They put in about 50 hours of their free time over three months learning about entrepreneurship and mobile App development by designing, promoting and presenting an App that solved a community problem. They ALL worked hard and created amazing Apps, videos and business plans! One of the LDH teams even made it as far as the semi-finals (45 teams were chosen from over 200 international teams). Congratulations to “The Violets”: Amenah Waheed, Juliet Zhu, Dulini Rathnasooriya, Parnika Rajaghatta and Mahima Mostafa! And also to our other dedicated students, team “5Kind”: Susan Ao, Emily Xia, Dianne Su, Michelle Yin and Joy Nyamiaka; and team “SMACK”: Celine Chen, Kim Le, Aashna Narang, Sara Cheng and Maggie Zhu.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, May 27 - Music Concert
Thursday, May 28 - Intermediate Field Trip to MacSkimming
Monday, June 1 - Music Banquet
Tuesday, June 2 - Dance Showcase
Friday, June 5 - P.A. Day for intermediates (only)
The Boys Varsity Baseball team defeated Bell this week to improve their record to 2-2-1. The Girls Varsity Touch Football team completed an undefeated regular season with a victory over St. Mark. The Girls Varsity Rugby team also achieved an undefeated regular season with a victory over Sacred Heart. The Junior and Senior Boys Rugby teams finished their seasons this week as did the Senior Girls Soccer team. The Junior Girls Soccer team currently sits second in their division, after a victory over Sir Wilfred Laurier.

Congratulations to Mrs. Martinson!

Outdoor Education Students Survive and Thrive in Algonquin Park
Technovation Participants

Grade Nine Science Students Visit The Baxter Conservation Area