

A Message from Our New Principal...

I would like to thank the students, staff and families of École Doncaster School for welcoming me to the community and the school. I have enjoyed my first month getting to know the students and many of the families in my new role of Principal. This is an exciting time of year filled with new possibilities as students enter new classrooms. Children come prepared with their new school supplies and teachers are excited to greet another new group of eager learners.

The teachers at Doncaster have many great activities and learning experiences planned for the students this year. One of the exciting projects we are working on is the creation of a Maker Space in our library. Students have been working collaboratively to solve mini design and building challenges. Many of the challenges that the students have been working on with Ms. Labelle include activities from STEM (Science Technology, Engineering and Math). All of them incorporate hands-on learning using a variety of materials.

Some of the challenges our primary students have taken part in during September include:

The Golf Ball Challenge - design a transport vessel to move a golf ball across a room

The Zipline Challenge - the goal was save the Prince from a tower by designing a zipline

The "Stronger than the Big Bad Wolf" House-building Challenge - save the little pig from the Big Bad Wolf by building a house that will withstand the powerful puffs of the wolf.

We are excited to work as a team at Doncaster to build on these opportunities by creating a space central in our school where our students have opportunities to create, invent, explore and design. We will continue to update you as this project evolves.

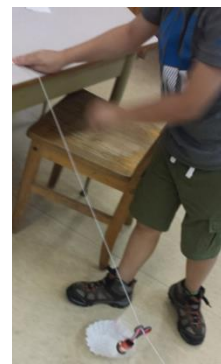
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Creating our
Makerspace



Golf Ball Challenge



Creating a Zipline