

## **Talent Show Committee News**

On behalf of The Talent Show Committee composed of students from Grades 5-6, I would like to communicate some important information about the upcoming show.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Auditions:

Auditions will take place from 11:30-12:30 on May 16, May 17, May 18, May 19 and May 24. Many children have signed up so far. Children wishing to audition are asked to be prepared (i.e., know the lyrics and the tune for any song you plan on singing and/or know the choreography for any dance you wish to perform). The Talent Show Committee believes that some children signed up, not realizing which date they signed up for and are concerned they won't know when to come and we are working on a plan to clear this up.

The Big Show

This year's talent show will take place on Tuesday June 21 and begin at 5:30. The show is expected to last until 1.5 – 2 hours long.

### **REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers:

We need a few technically inclined parents to kindly assist us with our lights and sound system. If you are interested and available, please send us an email at the following address, [cahillc@edu.etsb.qc.ca](mailto:cahillc@edu.etsb.qc.ca). Thank you.

Judges:

We would like to invite parents, teachers and students to be part of the Selection Committee. Volunteers wouldn't be required to attend every single audition if they had other commitments. We are looking for people who are kind, appreciate culture and are fair minded.

### **VALUES**

Practice:

At Sutton School, we value children's freedom to spend their recess as they wish and to do so outside, in nature as much as possible. We want to avoid putting undue pressure on children to perform, so if children prefer to play soccer, over rehearsing for the talent show, every child is free to decide for themselves how they spend their recess. Our talent show is all about kids organizing their own show to celebrate the arts with their friends and family. And to experience what it feels like to perform on stage.

Kindness:

Auditions are necessary to limit the show to a maximum of 2 hours. The selection committee will do its best to provide positive and constructive feedback. Performing at an audition is a milestone in and of itself. Family members are welcome to support their child during their audition. Despite our best efforts, some performances will not be accepted, and it is natural to feel disappointed. Children feeling rejected will need for their family to listen without judgment, to console them in their sadness and know that there will always be another chance to perform in the future.

### **GUEST PERFORMERS**

Older siblings, parents or even friends from other schools are welcome to audition for the show provided they are performing with a Sutton School student. If unable to audition in person, you may send a video, no longer than 4-5 minutes of your performance (no editing or special effects, please). May 24<sup>th</sup> will be the deadline for video auditions.