

**Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator
Appreciation Day
October 8, 2015**

**Message from the Chair of the Board
and the Director of Education**

We are blessed to employ caring, compassionate and dedicated professionals within our TCDSB Family who embrace their roles as protector, teacher, mentor and caregiver to our young students. As in all families, it is up to the adult members to care for, nurture, protect and inspire the younger and more vulnerable, and we can certainly see this played out day after day in our schools. Children naturally bring with them a sense of endless wonder and curiosity, unbridled joy and enthusiasm, and infuse our classrooms and playgrounds with energy and laughter.

This year, **October 8th** has been set aside as **Childcare Worker and Early Childhood Appreciation Day**. We offer our thanks for the important work that our Child Care Workers and Early Childhood Educators do, in partnership with our teachers and other support staff, to engage these youngsters in the joy of learning. You help them to begin the journey of self-discovery, and play an integral role in nurturing a sense of caring Christian school community in our schools.

We appreciate the efforts of all our ECEs and CCWs and congratulate you on this special day set aside in your honour.

Thank you for being members of our TCDSB family and supporting the Board's mission and vision focused on student achievement and well-being.

Sincerely,

Angela Gauthier
Director of Education

Michael Del Grande
Chair of the Board

*The "home" represents the most precious human treasures, that of encounter, that of relations among people, different in age, culture and history, but who live together and together help one another to grow. For this reason, the "home" is a crucial place in life, where life grows and can be fulfilled, because it is a place in which every person learns to receive love and to give love. **Pope Francis (5/21/13)***