

Special Education Superintendent Update

September 2016

WELCOME BACK CEREMONY

On Wednesday, August 31st, 2016 all the Special Education Chiefs met with the Psychologists, Social Workers, Speech Language Pathologists and some teaching staff to kick off the year. The focus of the day was on welcoming new staff and providing them a vision for working with students and schools.

It was a great pleasure to have Sam Forbes, grade 12 student from Marshall McLuhan, who attended and engaged staff with a thought provoking and inspirational talk. Sam Forbes also appeared as a guest on the Ellen Degeneres show this past spring and was dubbed the "Dancing Barista".

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY TEAM

This year we have hired three secondary teachers to assist in delivering training for students, teachers and parents with respect to technology acquired through SEA claims. These teachers will work in coordination with our existing trainers to support students and staff.

This team will work towards building capacity amongst staff to access and use technology in a fluent manner within the classrooms.

