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450 participants attend the closing festivities for the TD Summer Reading Club

Vaudreuil-Dorion, September 5, 2023 – On Sunday, August 27th, the Vaudreuil-Dorion’s annual closing party for the TD Reading Club was held at Parc Le 405 with some 450 library patrons in attendance. The popularity of this event continues to reflect the Club’s vitality year after year, and this summer, the program attracted 778 youths aged 17 and under. Of this number, 363 were first-time participants.

As a reward for their sustained reading efforts throughout the summer, participants were given the opportunity to attend an African percussion show, while also enjoying the many activities available to them at Parc Le 405, which included a hot dog lunch, snow cones, inflatable structures, giant games, a balloon sculpting clown, make-up artists, a photo booth with Le Lab in the Mozaïk caravan, etc. During the party, in addition to a draw for participation prizes, the coveted grand prizes were awarded to winners Honaël Polidor and Jules Brinjean (a set of games and a gift certificate from La Ribouldingue) as well as Joannie Bélanger and Samuel Giasson (Nintendo Switch).

From June 17th to August 20th, 21,415 documents were borrowed by Club members, 1,876 more than in 2022. «I would like to thank the children, and their parents, for the enthusiasm they show for the Reading Club. It is such a pleasure to see all these young people keep up with the reading skills they acquired during the school year. I would also like to acknowledge our library staff for all the great work they do during the summer, which is a very busy season for them. From purchasing and preparing documents to organizing activities, including the registration process, everyone contributes to making the Reading Club a highly anticipated event at the end of the school year”, explains Annick Lemay, Head of the Library Division for the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion.

More popular than ever, the Illustre ton histoire drawing contest attracted 178 contestants. Fifteen drawings received a Coup de cœur mention while the following five participants had the pleasure of seeing their work made into bookmarks to be given out by the library: Jules Brinjean, 2 years old, Martin Molina, 6 years old, Élie Gareau, 9 years old, Nabil Najm, 12 years old, and Miranie Faucher, 14 years old. Friday activities hosted by our library clerks, such as Bingo littéraire and Biblio-brico, were also a great success throughout the summer.

About the TD Summer Reading Club

The TD Summer Reading Club is the largest program of its kind in Canada. The program is bilingual, free of charge, and is designed for all children, regardless of age, preference and abilities. Over 2,200 public libraries across the country offer the program, which is also available on the web.