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# ABLE NETWORK NEWS

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## MY NEW JOB OPPORTUNITY BY MICHAEL BOLTON

I have a new job at Kidder in Thornhill. They make educational toys that are used in schools. I put the parts for the toys into the bags. Then I use the heat sealer to close the bags and I label each bag. I've been working there every Monday & Tuesday from 9:00AM-3:00PM. I bring my lunch with me and I eat in the staffroom. I take the Viva Blue bus all the way from Aurora to Clark Avenue. It takes about fifty minutes to get there. Lindsay was job coaching me at the beginning but now I am working more independently. My supervisor Fred wants me to learn to be faster now that I know the job. My goal is to get paid once I increase my speed.



Michael outside of his new job placement.

## VOLUNTEERING AT THE CHURCH BY NICK PORTER

Every Wednesday morning I help out Bob, the custodian at the Church with his duties. We take the garbage and recycling bins to the curb, we vacuum, dust, rake leaves and set up the tables and chairs for the Welcome Table dinner. We always stop for a break and a snack at ten. I like working with Bob because he's a funny guy.



Bob & Nick.

## WORKING AT MASTERMIND BY MEREDITH ALLAN

I started a new job at Mastermind in May. I work there every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00-3:00PM. On Tuesday mornings I work at Mark's. When I finish work, I don't have enough time to go back to ABLE before my afternoon shift so I go out for lunch and then go straight to work. I usually go to Longo's for lunch. At Mastermind, I price the toys and then put them out on the shelves. I also do some cleaning duties and make gift bags. After work, I take the bus home. I like working all day.



Meredith bagging a purchase.



Meredith at Mastermind.

## CLAY CLASS AT THE AURORA POTTER'S GUILD

BY EVAN FAWNS



Adam, Aunt Barb, Gemma, Ryan and Carol.



Aunt Barb, Evan & Meredith.

Every Monday afternoon I go to a clay class. It is at the Aurora Potter's Guild in the basement of the library. I go with Meredith, Ryan M, Adam, Gemma, Ryan and our volunteer, Aunt Barb. Our teacher's name is Carol. Each week we make a different project. So far I've made a plant holder, a dragon and a bowl. Our projects aren't finished yet because they take a long time to dry and they have to be fired in a kiln. I really like clay class. It's fun to pound the clay and roll it out. When my projects are finished, I'm going to bring them home and share them with my family.

## AN AWESOME BIRTHDAY SURPRISE BY DEVIN TURNER

I work at ACS Distributing. I work in the warehouse where they keep all of the bikes. At work, I help keep the warehouse clean by sweeping, taking out the garbage, tidying the kitchen and shredding paper. On May 23<sup>rd</sup> it was my birthday. When I got to work on May 25<sup>th</sup>, Dan & Terry presented me with a new bike from everyone at ACS for all of my hard work over the last year. I was really happy! I hope to ride it on the weekend. Thank you Dan & Terry!



Dan & Devin with Devin's new bike.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO ANDREW HUGHES

Congratulations to Andrew for winning the character trait award of the month for **Integrity**. Andrew showed integrity by consistently doing the right thing even when he thought no one was watching. Way to go Andrew!



Andrew with his award.

## ON THE CALENDAR THIS MONTH

**Character Trait of the month:** Respect  
**Annual General Meeting:** June 16, 2015 at the Rectory at 7:00PM  
**Father's Day:** June 21, 2015

