



## Newsletter - Fall 2008



### Tutorwiz to Commence Services at the Renowned Merle Levine Academy in November

On Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, Tutorwiz's owners, Don Reist and Carol Davis, announced that Tutorwiz would commence operations at the **Merle Levine Academy** on Dufferin Street between Steeles Ave. and Finch Ave, in November.

One-on-one sessions on Assistive Technology Training and Specialized Tutoring involving assistive technology will be offered Monday through Friday from 4:00 PM until 9:00. Additional sessions may also be offered on Saturdays. In addition, Assistive Technology Workshops for parents and educators will be offered from time to time on Saturdays. Director Don Reist states, "This is truly a win-win situation. The computers, fully loaded with the various applications, which are being set up at the Academy, will be available for use by Merle's staff and students during school days. In addition, Tutorwiz will be providing training to Merle and members of her staff".



Merle Levine

About the Academy: On her website – [www.merlelevineacademy.com](http://www.merlelevineacademy.com) - Merle writes, "In 1974 I founded the first private school in Ontario devoted solely to meet the needs of special education students. As an outspoken maverick, I recognized hyperactivity, learning disabilities and their medical component long before the community was sensitized to this problem.

The focus of the Merle L. Levine Academy (MLA) is to help children acquire academic and social skills so that they can gain the self confidence they require to function as independent learners and become self-sufficient members of society."

For bookings and inquiries contact our Ajax Centre at 905-683-6341 or email us at: [tutorwiz@rogers.com](mailto:tutorwiz@rogers.com)

### Tutorwiz Student Receives Recognition

Tutorwiz student, Tyler Burke, was presented the **Most Improved Student Award** upon graduating from Grade 8 in June. Tyler's mother, H. Gilliam, thanked Don and the staff at Tutorwiz by writing, "Thank you for having an incredible, lasting, positive impact and supporting my children".

## Fall Workshop Schedule Posted on Website

The new fall 2008 workshop schedule has been posted on the Tutorwiz website: [www.tutorwiz.com](http://www.tutorwiz.com). Workshops are being offered in November at both the Ajax and new Downsview locations. A minimum number of participants must enroll prior to a workshop being run.

## Tutorwiz at Community Awareness of Safety and Literacy Event at E.A. Fairman Public School

Tutorwiz was honoured by being invited to participate in the Community Awareness of Safety and Literacy evening at E. A. Fairman Public School in Whitby in October.



Don with Sparky

In addition to setting up a hands-on display of WordQ, which challenged students to type in the names of various dinosaurs, Tutorwiz donated a Teddy Bear which sings School's Out for the prize table and 240 highlighters/pens for grab bags for each of the students. Congratulations to Zachary Millington who won our prized bear.

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