Celebrate Peace!
June is Peace Tree Month in the City of Vaughan!

Peace Tree Month is an annual celebration for children and families of every culture and faith to celebrate peace and diversity together. It is a time to interact, explore and experience all the vibrant colours of diversity, while working together to create new peace initiatives in schools and communities.

Under the leadership of Vaughan Peace Tree Committee Chair, Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco, the City of Vaughan has declared June as Peace Tree Month since 2006. The purpose of the Peace Tree is to highlight and embrace the symbols of all cultures and faiths on one tree and to share the hope that people around the world will live together in peace. The Peace Tree phenomenon was sparked by the film entitled, *The Peace Tree,* which is recognized worldwide for its message of peace and the embracement of diversity.

The 45-minute production, written and directed by Mitra Sen, a Toronto-based teacher, has earned international awards and has been shown at numerous film festivals. *The Peace Tree* is available at your school library or in any Vaughan Public Library. A number of showings of this film have been scheduled throughout the month of June. Please visit www.vaughanpl.info for the screening schedule.