

# ANNE FRANK FORWARD

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## Anne Frank PS

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## February News!

Dear Families,

Can you believe that half of the 2017-2018 school year is almost upon us? February marks the end of the First Term and is the half way point of the school year! First Term Report Cards will go home on February 14th. Please take some time with your child to review their report card, celebrate their successes, and help them set goals/plans to for future successes.

February 14th marks our annual 4th annual School Council Danceathon. This fundraiser organized by our School Council provides a wonderful opportunity for students to just dance. All proceeds from the dance will be put towards our school.

We'd also like to thank our families for following our Kiss N' Ride protocols to keep our parking lot area as safe as possible for all our students, staff, families and visitors. Thank you for your patience as we experience high traffic flow in front of the school which does slow down our Kiss N' Ride a bit. We've include our protocols again in this month's newsletter.

Please remind your children to be safe in and around the school. Unfortunately with this winter's thawing and freezing cycles, there are quite a few icy patches around. We do make areas "out of bounds" when this happens and can monitor those areas during the school day, but not before or after school. Please ask your children to exercise caution when near these areas.

At the end of January, we said goodbye to Mrs. Hopkins who is going on a maternity leave. We welcome Mr. Reznick, who has a real passion for music, to Anne Frank Public School.

*Sincerely,*

*Elizabeth Lau, Principal and Doug Chester, Vice-Principal*



"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Anne Frank

**BE A LEADER! BE A LEARNER! BE A THINKER! HAVE A VOICE! HAVE FUN!**

## School Parking Lot and Kiss and Ride Reminder

In light of recent events, we would like to remind Parents and/or Guardians who use the Anne Frank PS Kiss N' Ride to please be responsible and respectful to ensure the safety of students, staff, community members and other visitors to the school.

We always encourage families to walk to school when possible.

If you are using the Kiss N' Ride, please:

- No parking in the Kiss N' Ride - at no time should vehicles be left unattended,
- Park in legal parking spaces either in the school parking lot or on the street; no double parking, no parking outside of marked parking spaces, including along the outer perimeter of the parking lot,
- Observe and follow all traffic signs; there is no parking in any of the fire routes do not park on the street where you may block the parking lot entry/exit or the bus loop,
- Pull through the Kiss N' Ride in a proper lane way - when you leave your vehicle in an awkward angle or within multiple lanes, it blocks other vehicles and slows the traffic flow,
- Do not speed in the Kiss N' Ride
- Do not use your cellphone while driving in the parking lot.

Unfortunately we have continued to see some unsafe driving behaviours.

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation in making the Anne Frank PS Kiss N' Ride as safe as possible!



### Daily Schedule

Staff begins outdoor supervision at 8:55 am.  
Our school day begins promptly at 9:10 am—please be on time!

Entry Bell	9:10 am
Period 1	9:10-10:10 am
Period 2	10:10-10:50 am
Recess	10:50-11:20 am
Period 3	11:20-12:20 am
Period 4	12:20-1:00 pm
Lunch	1:00-2:00 pm
Period 5	2:00-2:00 pm
Period 6	3:00-3:40 pm
Dismissal	3:40 pm

### Lunch Assistants Wanted!

We continue to look for Lunch Assistants to work from 1—2pm

Lunch Assistants supervise students while they are eating lunch indoors and when they go outside to play.

If you are interested, please inquire at the office.

**School Bus Information**  
Visit [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) to check routes and times.

## Coping with stress

Stress affects everyone regardless of age and is a normal part of everyday life. Limited amounts of stress can actually motivate us to achieve our goals, but excessive stress can have overwhelming and debilitating effects on our lives. This is why it is so important to have the right tools to positively cope with life's stressors.

### Tips to help parents and children positively cope with stress:

- Spend time with your children and try to understand how they are feeling
- Do activities as a family; physical activity is an excellent way to burn off stress
- Give children a chance to calm down; teach them different breathing and relaxation exercises
- Implement a bedtime routine to help children wind down at the end of the day
- Ensure children get the recommended amount of sleep based on their age; tired children get stressed easier

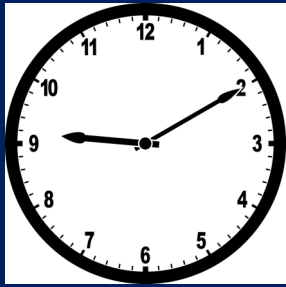
### Other great tips to cope with stress:

- Talk to a friend or trusted adult
- Deep breathing
- Physical activity
- Play with a pet
- Get creative; play music, paint, draw or dance
- Stay on top of schoolwork and prioritize workloads
- Ask for help

For more information please visit [york.ca/healthyschools](http://york.ca/healthyschools)

This material is provided by York Region Public Health





### Absences/Lates

Reporting your child absent or late by the following easy methods:

Call into the automated interactive telephone system (**1-855-203-2994**) through which absences can be reported.

Log into the website, [yorkrdsb.schoolconnects.com](http://yorkrdsb.schoolconnects.com)

Parents/Guardians who have authenticated their accounts and have either an iOS or Android device can download an app that can be used to report absences.

**Please remember to report your child late or absent before 9:10 a.m. in order to avoid the auto-mated attendance phone calls that will follow.**



# Forest of Reading<sup>®</sup>

by the Ontario Library Association

The Forest of Reading is Canada's largest recreational reading program to encourage a love of reading. Students who choose to participate in the program read a minimum of 5 out of the 10 nominated titles. In the spring, readers vote for their favorite nominated title. This is one of a few programs in Canada where the award winners are chosen by the readers.

Mr. Rochweg has spoken to many of the classes/students and many of our students are already reading books for Blue Spruce, Silver Birch, Silver Birch Express, and Silver Birch Non-fiction.

## Anne Frank School Council Meeting: February 5th

All Anne Frank PS Parents and Guardians are invited to attend our next School Council Meeting.

When: Monday, February 5th, 2018  
7—8:30 pm (childcare provided)

Where: Library

Hope to see you there!



## Message From Our Trustee Linda Aversa



With report cards coming home, this is a good time of year to review your child's progress and to set goals for the rest of the school year.

As trustees, our goals are set out in the Board Multi-Year Plan. In the coming months, trustees will be reviewing and updating this plan. This process will include opportunities for public input, and trustees will be out in the communities talking about this. More information will be shared about this in the spring.

Developing and reviewing the Multi-Year Plan is just one of our responsibilities as publicly elected officials. Trustee responsibilities also include hiring the Director of Education, setting Board policies and the annual budget, and communicating with the public.

This is a good time to learn more about the role of trustees with the next municipal election taking place later this year on October 22, 2018. York Region District School Board has 12 trustees, elected by ratepayers. As a trustee, listening and communicating with families is an important part of my role. Students, families and members of the public are welcome to attend and observe any public Board, Advisory or Board Committee meetings and to share their views with us on policy and Board governance.

As we move into the second half of the year, I hope that you are seeing evidence of your child's learning and progress, and finding opportunities to get involved in their learning and the life of the school.

I wish you all the best for a successful second term.

### School Cash Online

All YRDSB schools are now using School Cash Online as an online payment system. School Cash Online is an easy, safe and convenient way for families to pay online for extracurricular items or events, including yearbooks and field trips. It helps to reduce paper and the amount of cash/cheques handled by parents and students.

## National Sweater Day

National Sweater Day has traditionally fallen on the first Thursday of February. Since 2010, over a million Canadians have participated in National Sweater Day at their schools, workplaces and homes.

WWF-Canada is committed to seeing Canada use 100 per cent renewable energy by 2050. Learn more about our work to transition to [habitat-friendly renewable energy](#).

### Helpful Hints

#### Eco School Reminder

The office has noticed an increasing number of students who are asking the office for spoons and forks as they have forgotten to pack them with their lunches. Families are asked to ensure they pack the necessary cutlery with their child's lunch.

Reusable spoons and forks can be taken home by students to be washed and reused. Plastic spoons and forks end up in the garbage and contribute to filling up landfills.



Please ensure that your child is dressed to go outside for recess and lunch. Learn more about **Extreme Hot and Cold Weather and UV Protection Guideline** on

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	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 National Sweater Day!	2 PA Day No School	3
4	5 School Council @ 7 pm	6 Lion Pride Assemblies pm	7 Winter Walk to School Day!	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Danceathon Report Cards go home <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15	16 <i>Lunar New Year</i>	17
18	19 <i>Family Day</i> No School	20	21 Lice Crew Vaughan Public Library (VPL) Maker Fair!	22	23 Gr 8 Grad Photos	24
25	26	27	28			

## Upcoming Dates:

March 1	The Great Big Crunch
March 5	Lion Pride Assemblies AM
March 6 & 7	Lost & Found Performances for Kindergarten
March 8	Kindergarten Concert PM
March 9	Crazy Hair Day
	Boyism Presentation for Gr. 7 & 8
March 12—16	March Break (school closed)
March 30	Good Friday (school closed)



Character Trait for the Month of February

## Initiative

We act without being prompted by others. We are eager to do what needs to be done without having to be told to do it. We take the first step towards the achievement of a goal.

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