



George Street News

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Upcoming Dates

Mar. 6 Touchstone Assembly
Mrs. Crimi's class 10:45

a.m.

Mar. 10 Groovin Kids Program

Mar. 12 Beach Day
activities 10:45-12:25

Big Crunch 2:00-3:00

Mar. 13 P.A. Day no classes
for students

Mar. 16—20 Mid-Winter
Break school closed

Mar. 23 classes begin

Mar. 27 Heritage School

House-all grade 3's

Mar. 30 JK/SK students visit

Community Safety Village

Mar. 31 Grades 1,2 & 3 visit

Community Safety Village

Parent Evening Workshops

6:30 pm @ ASPs

March 2015

www.georgestreet.ps.yrdsb.ca

A Message from your Administration Team

Just a reminder to parents and guardians that beginning in September 2015, all students now at George Street P.S. will be attending Aurora Senior P.S.

Kindergarten classrooms and an outdoor play area will be constructed at Aurora Senior PS to accommodate Kindergarten students. Science and Art classroom reconfigurations will be made as well. The renovations will be complete for September 2015 at which time all students in the George Street PS/Aurora Senior PS boundary from JK to Grade 8 will attend Aurora Senior PS. This school will have a new name that will be proposed to the Board of Trustees for approval, anticipated in April 2015.

Mr. Ken Arnott
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New Staff Member

Recently Ms. Willis left us for a full-time teaching position at another York Region school. We would like to introduce and welcome a new staff member **Mr. Tim Gerrits**. Mr. Gerrits will be teaching our grade 3 class in the afternoon and will be with us until the spring.

George Street Closing Celebration

We are arranging a closing celebration for Saturday, May 23rd from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please mark your calendars! We hope families of George Street past and present will be able to attend so please spread the news.

We are also looking for volunteers who would like to be a part of the organizing committee. We have recently begun meeting 12:30 to 1:30 on Tuesdays. If you are interested in joining us, please email Brenda.bulfon@yrdsb.ca.

In addition, we are also looking for any past photos of students, teachers or the school. We would appreciate any memorabilia of George Street that you might have and be willing to loan us for the celebration day. If you have any we will let you know where to send them in the next school newsletter.

The Big Crunch



The Great Big Crunch is a special day of good food education, ending with a whole school, synchronized bite into a crunchy apple to celebrate. The Big Crunch will take place on Thursday, March 12 at 2:30pm.

March is Nutrition Month.....4 for Lunch Challenge

Our school has been invited to participate in a healthy lunch challenge sponsored by the York Region Community and Health Services Department. The 4 for Lunch Challenge will be held from Monday, March 2nd to Friday, March 6th. The idea is for your child to bring snacks/ lunches that include foods from all four groups of Canada's Food Guide. Your child will not be penalized if four food groups are not included in his/her lunch. The challenge is a fun activity to help teach and encourage healthy eating for all students. Students will celebrate on Friday, March 6th by making and eating healthy yogurt parfaits.

Inclement Weather and Bus Transportation



Even as spring approaches weather and driving conditions can still be hazardous. This winter we have already experienced a number of bus route delays. If buses are canceled, that information is communicated in a variety of ways. Any cancellation of buses does not mean that the school is closed. Please note that if bus transportation is canceled in the morning, then buses are canceled for the entire day (including all extra-curricular and field trips). If you choose to drop off a student who normally takes a bus, arrangements must be made to pick them up AT DISMISSAL TIME. Just a helpful reminder too: students dropped off before 8:40 are not yet supervised. Please time your arrival when our staff supervision begins outside at 8:40 am.

George Street Public School Touchstone

We are George Street Public School

We are ambitious in our learning and we try our very best to achieve our goals. Success is everyone's accomplishment to celebrate.

We take responsibility for our work, our words, and our actions and we try to make good choices.

We encourage one another to learn new and important lessons by taking risks and making mistakes.

We take care of ourselves and respect each other so we can learn, laugh, and live each day to the fullest.

We treat each other fairly, truthfully, and honestly, always remembering how we would like to be treated.

We accept, honour, and celebrate our differences because we know that it's what is on the inside that matters most.

We try to make a difference every day by keeping our school healthy, safe, clean, and happy.

We welcome everyone in our work and play so that everyone feels included and has a role to play.

At George Street Public School , everyone belongs!

SAVE THE DATE!



...is coming.....Saturday, May 2nd

The planning and preparation is starting and we need your help. This means that the collection of items or cash for the Classroom Raffle Baskets will be starting soon!

Each classroom has been given a theme for their Raffle Basket. Spring Fair volunteers will be going into classrooms the week of March 2nd to explain each theme to students.

Items will be collected from March 5th to April 17th

If you want to get a head start on items for the Classroom Raffle Basket, themes for each class are below.

Kindergarten (Granger) LET'S PLAY BALL—soccer & basketball, baseball, glove & bat, football, koosh ball, skipper ball
Grade 1/SK (Coschi) SPLISH SPLASH—pool and beach toys, towels, goggles, flippers, pool noodles, etc.
Grade 1/2 (Crimi) FAMILY GAME NIGHT—board games, gift cards for dinner in, etc.
Grade 2/3 (McIvor) CRAFTY KIDS—craft supplies and tools, paper, pencils, beads, paint, craft kits, etc.
Grade 3 (Martinello) NUTS FOR NERF—Nerf products that you can have fun with

BRING IN AN ITEM FOR YOUR CLASS THEME OR DONATE \$5 or \$10
DONATIONS OF \$25 OR MORE WILL RECEIVE A TAX RECEIPT
(CHEQUES PREFERRED – PAYABLE TO AURORA SENIOR P.S)
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE SPRING FAIR



School Day Organization

Office Hours:

8:15am-3:45pm

Before School Supervision

8:20-8:35 am

front door locked

8:50 a.m.

Per. 1 8:35-9:15

Per. 2 9:15-9:45

Per. 3 9:45-10:15

RECESS 10:15-10:45

Per. 4 10:45-11:35

Per. 5 11:35-12:25

LUNCH 12:25-1:25

Per. 6 1:25-2:05

Per. 7 2:05-2:35

Per. 8 2:35-3:05

After School Supervision:

3:05-3:20pm

BOARD VISION

To advance student achievement and well-being through public education, which motivates learners, fosters inclusion, inspires innovation and builds community.

Inspire Learning!

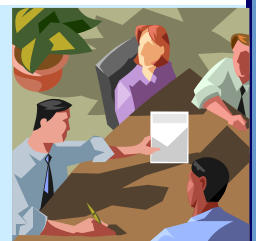


School Council Meeting:

April 13, 2015

at 7:00 p.m. in the Aurora Sr. P.S. Library

AS & GS School Council News



Parent Evening Workshops

Please mark March 31st on your calendar as a night to come to the school and take part in a variety of student and parent focused events such as: how to prepare nutritious lunches and snacks for school, how to deal with social media and cyber-bullying, and a chance to participate in fun fitness and yoga for kids. Once again the date is Tuesday, March 31st starting at 6:30 in the library at Aurora Senior. More information will be coming in March.

QSP Fundraising

School sales of QSP magazines never really stop. If you would like to subscribe or send someone a gift subscription please login to www.qsp.ca. Be sure to select Our group ID is: 3724879. The school will continue to benefit from all future sales.

Spring Funfair

Save the date: SATURDAY MAY 2, 2015... inflatable bouncy activities, bake sale, games and other special surprises will be offered. This is an annual event not to be missed. We need volunteers for the planning committee. Please contact lisa.sproul@yrdsb.ca
Thank you

George Street Celebration

SATURDAY MAY 23rd will be the last chance to visit and say goodbye to George Street Public School (closing at the end of June). If you have any souvenirs, artifacts, pictures or other related memorabilia please contact us.