



BCSS Parent Scoreboard – February 16th, 2018

Calendar Events

February 27

Waterloo Math Contest 9 -11

March 1

Parents Night

School Updates:

- **Fees Due**

Thank you for those that have paid the \$100 mandatory Student Program Fee and have received their complete school package. If you have not paid this fee and other optional fees, please proceed to cash-on-line at your earliest convenience.

- **Payment Reminder**

A kind reminder to please bring exact change when paying for school items in person at the school. We do not have change to provide. Thank you.

- **Attendance**

Please remind your son/daughter that they must **always** sign in or sign out in the main office when they are late or leaving early. Just a reminder as well, that whenever your child is absent, late or leaving early, you must inform the main office and your child must sign in or out. If we have an emergency in the building we want to be able to determine accurate attendance.

- **OHIP+**

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is releasing additional resources ahead of the January 1, 2018, launch of **OHIP+: Children and Youth Pharmacare**.

Through this program, Ontarians aged 24 years and younger, who are OHIP insured, regardless of their family income, will be eligible for over 4,400 medications and drug products at no cost.

If you have any questions about **OHIP+**, please send an email to OHIPplus@ontario.ca.

For more information, please visit: Ontario.ca/OHIPplus.

- **Year Books**

This is a reminder that yearbooks are on sale! Parents please go to cash-on-line while you can!

- **Student Achievements**

- Ceili Peterson earned a silver medal at the U.S .Open Taekwondo Tournament in Las Vegas on January 31, 2018 in the Junior Female - 49kg division.

She won gold at the President's Cup in Las Vegas on October 7, 2017 and she also won gold at the Canada Open in Montreal on September 30, 2017, both in the Junior Female - 49kg division.

- Adam Peterson earned bronze at the 2017 President's Cup in Las Vegas on October 8, 2017 and he also earned silver at the Canada Open in Montreal on September 28, 2017 both in the Junior Male -48kg division.

- BCSS Grade 9 student, Laura Tyas competed in the Ontario Regional Synchronized Skating championships in London, ON. Her team competes in the pre-novice category. They captured the gold medal and the title of 2018 Provincial Champions! The organization is called "Sparkling Ice" and they represent the Unionville Skating Club!

- Alex Rojas Grade 11, at 1st Ontario Cup at the Pan Am Centre in Markham. Alex had the opportunity

to compete for the first time last Sunday in the 17U Men's L6 Espoir National category in Gymnastics Trampoline and received a silver medal for a great start to the competitive season!



All first semester textbooks and novels are due back; please ensure the students return them A.S.A.P.

Information for parents to help prevent the spread of illness in your child's school

The school your child attends is currently experiencing an increase in absenteeism. The school is working with York Region Public Health to stop the spread of illness from person to person, but there is much that you can do at home.

You play a big role in ensuring that the germ(s) that are causing the illness in your child's school are not passed onto family members and potentially other students that attend the school.

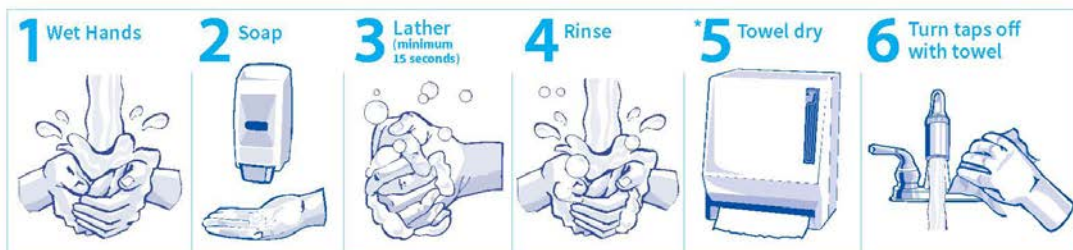
Following some important infection prevention and control practices, such as proper hand hygiene and proper cleaning and disinfecting at home will help to protect your family and prevent further spread at school.

Proper Handwashing is the most effective way to prevent the spread of illness.

Hands should be washed:

- **before** serving food or eating
- **after** coming home from public places such as school or the walk-in clinic
- **after** interacting with anyone who is ill
- **after** using the washroom
- **after** coughing, sneezing, or blowing nose
- **after** cleaning up body fluids such as vomit and feces

Wash hands frequently for at least 15 seconds using the six-step method.



*It is recommended to use paper towels if a family member is sick with vomiting and/or diarrhea. If a cloth towel is used to dry hands, ensure it is changed regularly (e.g., three to four times a day) to prevent spread of illness.

Proper use of Hand Sanitizer

- If your family uses hand sanitizer when handwashing facilities are not available, it is recommended that it contains 60 to 90 per cent of alcohol.
- Hand sanitizer is not effective on hands that are visibly soiled.
- When using hand sanitizer, apply enough to wet entire hands and rub solution until completely dry.
- Carefully follow the manufacturer's directions for proper use and storage of product.

Cleaning and Disinfecting

In addition to practicing good hand hygiene, it is important to properly clean and disinfect surfaces to prevent the spread of illness in your home.

Cleaning comes first

- Cleaning is the physical removal of visible dirt and organic matter.
- There are three steps to the cleaning process: **wash, rinse, and dry**.
- **Wash** with soap, water and friction, **Rinse** with water, and **Dry** by air or with a clean towel.
- All three steps must be done properly, prior to disinfecting.

Disinfecting is the second step

- Disinfecting is a process that destroys most micro-organisms that can cause diseases.
- Disinfectants are chemicals used for the process of disinfecting. To work properly, disinfectants must be applied to a clean surface, at the proper strength/concentration for the required contact time.
- Always follow the manufacturer's directions. These will provide information on proper mixing directions and required contact time.
- Look for "disinfect", "disinfection" or "kills viruses and bacteria" claims on the product label.

Ensure surfaces that are frequently touched, such as door handles, light switches and faucets, along with toilet seats and washrooms are routinely cleaned and disinfected.

Take precautions to protect yourself when Cleaning Up Vomit and Diarrhea

- To reduce the risk of spreading illness, it is important to use personal protective equipment (PPE) such as rubber/ disposable gloves, an apron and a mask when cleaning up vomit and diarrhea.
- Consider purchasing PPE if you do not already have it at home.
- Soak up the vomit/diarrhea with paper towels and discard the contents into a garbage bag.
- Clean area with soap and water. Rinse the soap off and then dry the area.
- Disinfect the area with a disinfectant for the recommended contact time.
- Wipe up excess disinfectant after the contact time has been achieved and discard paper towel.
- Discard any used, disposable PPE into the garbage.
- Wash hands properly with soap and water.
- If the PPE is reusable equipment such as rubber gloves and cloth aprons, ensure they are properly cleaned and disinfected or properly laundered after use.
- Always wash hands after the clean-up.

It is important to teach your child about infection prevention and control practices, such as proper hand hygiene and the appropriate way to sneeze and cough into sleeve or a tissue, so they can help to stop the spread of illness.

If your child is ill, please keep them at home.

For more information on infection prevention and control, visit york.ca/infectionprevention



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Increased Absenteeism Due to Illness in York Region Schools

York Region Public Health has noticed an increase in school absenteeism due to illness. When York Region Public Health receives reports of increased absenteeism, we support the affected schools by providing infection prevention and control measures as well as monitoring of absences in collaboration with the school.

Many viruses are active at this time of year in the community, including enteric viruses (like norovirus) and respiratory viruses (like influenza, commonly known as the flu.) Preventative measures can help reduce the spread of illness in the community.

Norovirus

The most common symptoms of norovirus illness are nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and stomach cramps. The illness often begins suddenly, about 24 to 48 hours after exposure, and the infected person may become very sick with frequent vomiting and/or diarrhea. In general, children experience more vomiting than adults.

To lower the spread of norovirus within our communities:

- Anyone experiencing symptoms should continue to stay home for at least 48 hours after symptoms stop
- Thoroughly wash hands with soap and water, especially after using the toilet or changing diapers and before preparing, handling and eating food
- Remove and wash clothes and linens that may be contaminated with vomit or feces
- Keep sick individuals out of areas where food is being handled or prepared
- Anyone who is sick should not handle or prepare food for at least 48 hours after symptoms stop
- Take precautions to protect yourself when cleaning up vomit and diarrhea, refer to: [Information for Parents](#)

Influenza

Norovirus is not related to influenza, or “the flu”. The flu is a respiratory illness caused by the influenza virus which commonly starts circulating during the late fall and continues into spring.

Symptoms of the flu may include:

- sudden onset of headache
- fever
- chills
- loss of appetite
- cough
- muscle aches
- sore throat
- fatigue
- runny nose

Nausea, vomiting and diarrhea may also occur in children. Most people recover from the flu within a week to 10 days. People aged 65 years or older, pregnant women and individuals with chronic health conditions may be at greater risk of becoming ill and developing severe health problems such as pneumonia.



Young children and influenza

Children under five years of age, especially those younger than two years of age, are at high risk of flu-related complications. These complications include pneumonia, encephalopathy (inflammation of the brain), ear infections, sinus infections and worsening of medical problems like asthma or heart disease. In rare cases, flu complications can lead to death.

How to protect against the flu

1. Get vaccinated – The flu vaccine is the best way to protect against flu. Studies show the flu vaccine can prevent 70 to 90 per cent of illness in healthy adults and children. York Region Public Health recommends everyone six months and older get the flu shot. It's not too late to get vaccinated.

Flu shots are available at:

- Physicians' offices, for people six months of age and older
- Pharmacies, for people five years of age and older
- York Region Public Health clinics, for people three years of age and older

Visit ontario.ca/flu to find where you can get the flu shot. For more information about flu vaccines contact York Region Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653.

2. How can you reduce the chances of getting the flu?

- Keep sick children home from school or child care
- Wash your hands often and thoroughly with soap and warm water. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Choose an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains between 60% and 90% alcohol
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and throw the tissue out immediately
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Avoid people who are ill and stay home when you are sick
- Keep common surfaces and items clean and disinfected. To learn more about preventing spread of illness in school and home, visit york.ca/infectionprevention

How does the flu spread?

The flu spreads through the air from coughing and sneezing. It also spreads through direct contact with surfaces, door knobs, unwashed hands, or objects such as toys and eating utensils that have been contaminated by the influenza virus.

A person with flu may be able to infect other people one day before symptoms develop and up to seven days after becoming sick.

For more information, visit york.ca/flu

Maple High School
Presents
*Maple's Closet - The Diva and GQ
Balls*

Maple High School is proud to present the 12th annual Maple's Closet Diva and GQ Balls. Maple's Closet has helped provide graduation attire to over 550 grade 8 and 12 students. Our objective is to provide a graduation dress, suit and accessories to every female or male York Region student in need.

If you would like to make a referral of a York Region student to Maple's Closet, please complete each section of the referral form found at <https://goo.gl/forms/NCJ5AXekFN36sLr62> by **Friday, March 23, 2018**. If you would like further information, contact Maria Luongo-Cassar at Maple High School (905-417-9444) or at maria.luongo-cassar@yrdsb.ca.

If you would like to make a donation, please contact Maple High School. Donations (dresses, suits, and accessories) would be appreciated by **Wednesday, March 28th, 2018**.

Maple's Closet – Diva and GQ Balls

Female students referred to Maple's Closet are invited to attend the Diva Ball event, which will be held on **Tuesday, April 17th, 2018**, from 9:00 am – 11:30 am at Maple High School. Males referred will be invited to the GQ Ball on **Thursday, April 19th, 2018**, from 9:00 am – 11:30 am.

The students will enjoy a variety of activities and refreshments as they choose formal attire and accessories for graduation/prom night. Students will be able to participate in activities such as etiquette, make-up application, jewelry making, hairstyling, tying a tie, etc., provided by the Maple High School community.

Donations for Maple's Closet

Maple High School is proud to be hosting the 12th annual Maple's Closet Diva and GQ Balls events in the spring of 2018. Maple's Closet has helped provide graduation attire to over 550 grade 8 and 12 students.

Our objective is to provide a graduation dress, suit and accessories to every York Region student in need.

We accept donations of gently used formal wear and accessories for the event. We are in need of the following items:

- Prom / Graduation dresses
- Shoes (Men and Women)
- Purses / Clutches
- Toiletry / Make-Up bags
- Jewelry
- Suits (Boys and Men)
- Dress pants
- Shirts
- Ties
- Belts

Each guest receives a takeaway package as a thank you for his / her participation. To support us with this we also accept donations of unused:

- make-up
- nail polish
- men's socks
- toiletries (combs, soap, brushes, etc.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finding and using information | <input type="checkbox"/> Using digital technology (computer skills) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communicating ideas and information | <input type="checkbox"/> Managing your learning (goal setting and action plans) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding and using numbers (math) | <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging with others ("soft skills" such as customer-service) |



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- Getting to Know a Computer
 - Terminology
 - Hardware and software
 - Mouse skills
 - Keyboarding
- File Management
 - Saving files to a hard drive or USB
 - Creating folders
 - Moving files
- Getting Started with Email
 - Setting up a new address
 - Sending/receiving email
 - Attaching a document (résumé, picture, etc.)
- Basic Text and Image Skills (in MS Word)
 - Working with documents
 - Moving text
 - Inserting pictures, clip art, shapes
 - Formatting images and shapes
 - Creating a basic chart/table
 - Using spell-check
 - Inserting, editing and removing a header/footer
- Internet Searches
 - Conducting searches
 - Making searches more effective
 - Choosing reliable sites

Digital Technology for Effective Job Searches and Online Applications

Minimum time commitment - 8 classes

- Email for Employment
 - Subject line
 - Address: to, cc, bcc
 - Reply, reply all, and forward
 - Body of email
 - How to attach a file
 - Formal/informal tone
 - Purpose of email
- Résumés and Cover Letters
 - How to format
 - Salutations and closings
 - Purpose of letter
 - Appropriate language and tone
 - Inserting, editing and removing a header/footer
 - Applying to positions online

Soft Skills and Successful Oral Communication

Once a week:

- Conversation Group
 - Weekly topics for discussion
 - Appropriate language and tone
- Workplace culture and etiquette
 - Body language
 - Enhanced pronunciation
 - Confidence building

High School Credit or GED Preparation

- Get individualized support and instruction while preparing for your high school credit program or GED (high school equivalency). All subjects are offered.

Computer Skills for Employment and Further Education

Blended learning using training software and instructional support

Minimum time commitment - 8 classes

- Microsoft Office Skills Introduction
 - Word: creating and editing original documents, using proofing tools, templates, setting page layout
 - Excel: entering data, formatting worksheets, setting worksheet layout, creating formulas, exercises
 - PowerPoint: creating simple presentations
 - Publisher: creating basic publications, formatting objects, duplicating an existing tri-fold brochure
 - Outlook: making contacts, using the calendar
 - Access: creating relational database tables, field properties
- Microsoft Office Skills Intermediate to Advanced
 - Word: working with tabs, bullets and numbering, drawing objects, using building blocks, tables, mail merge, macros. Creating flyers using WordArt, images and tables
 - Excel: conditional formatting, sorting and filtering data, pivot tables and charts, security features, larger orders and charts
 - PowerPoint: slide show view, animations, inserting sound, charts, tables and objects. Creating presentations using animation and sound. Delivering presentations to a group.
 - Publisher: using master pages, customizing schemes, page set-up and layout. Creating an original tri-fold brochure and other business stationary such as gift certificate and flyers
 - Outlook: tasks, folders, mailbox options
 - Access: queries, creating forms, form and report controls, macros
- Google at Work
 - Once a Week
 - Gmail
 - Calendar
 - Drive
 - Sharing documents
 - Hangouts
- Increasing Keyboarding Speed

Employment and Academic Skills Upgrading

- Math
 - Minimum time commitment - 8 classes
 - Basic arithmetic
 - Money math
 - Time (time sheets, calendars)
 - Math for college
- English Language Skills
 - Minimum time commitment - 8 classes
 - Grammar: parts of speech, word order, parts of a sentence
 - Mechanics: punctuation, capitalization, spelling
 - Writing complete sentences
 - Verb tenses, agreement

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- Korean Immersion Summer Camp at University of Toronto

HOW TO REGISTER

- Register in person at the school on the first day of class or through your district school board website
- Contact us for finding your school and registration method
- Within a year you will speak Korean fluently with your Korean friends

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REGISTRATION GUIDE | WWW.CAKEC.COM

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- **DURATION** | September to June (30 sessions)
- **HOURS** | Every Saturdays, 8:45 AM - 12:30 PM
- **LOCATION** | Richmond Hill H.S. 201 Yorkland St.
East of Yonge, North of Elgin Mills Rd.
- **ELIGIBILITY** | Open to all students from Grade 9 to Grade 12

REGISTRATION INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND BELOW LINK.

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/ConEd/Pages/International-Languages-Secondary-Program.aspx>

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SCHOOL VISIT PROGRAM

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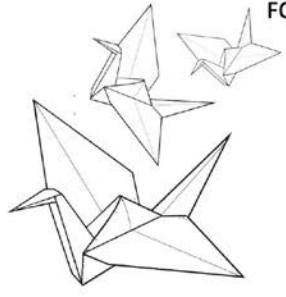
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The purpose of the School Visit Program is to develop mutual understanding between Canada and Japan.

Tourism, culture, writing, current affairs, anime, and crafts are just a few of the topics offered with the School Visit Program. Book a visit and Information & Culture staff at the Consulate-General of Japan will visit your classroom and give an age-appropriate presentation on a selected topic of your choice.

The Program is **NON-PROFIT** and offered on weekdays between 10AM and 3:30PM.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO RESERVE A VISIT, PLEASE GO TO TORONTO.CA.EMB-JAPAN.GO.JP



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