

Newsletter Sept 29, 2017



Sports Events

Oct 3

Jr. Girls Basketball
Father Michael McGivney
G. Andersen/L. Lancia
2:45pm Departure

Sr. Boys Volleyball
Bill Crothers S.S.
J. Chan
2:35pm Departure

Oct 5

Jr. Girls Basketball
Richmond Green S.S.
G. Andersen/L. Lancia
8:50am Departure

Sr. Boys Volleyball
Stouffville D.S.B
J. Chan
All Day

Jr. Boys Volleyball
P.E.T. High School
M. Law
2:30pm Departure

Boys Rugby
Fletcher's Field
A. Ebisuzaki
7:45am Departure

Quiet Study Hall

Students who require a quiet space to study, read or relax are welcomed to come to room 2006 on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays during periods 3 and 4.

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Guidance

SAVE THE DATE

Bur Oak will be hosting a panel discussing and describing the DEGREES through the colleges on November 7th. Doors will open at 6:30 and the panel will present and answer questions from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. More information to follow.

College Information Program--Coming next week

This is the equivalent to the University fair but for college programs--both diplomas and degrees.

Durham College is hosting 23 colleges twice next week. Durham is accessible to Bur Oak families and is closely connected to The University of Ontario Institute of Technology with bridge programs.

They will be showcasing the [Whitby Campus on Oct 2nd from 6:00 to 8:00 pm](#). You will also be able to see the W. Galen Weston Centre for Food, trades shops, student services and more.

The Durham campus will be hosting on [Oct 4th from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 pm](#). Parking is free. You will be able to talk with college reps from across Ontario plus see the athletics and student services, classrooms and labs at Durham.

Take Our Kids to Work Day Nov 1, 2017

On **Wednesday, November 1, 2017** the Grade 9 students of our school will take part in TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY. On this date, students across Canada will be spending the day in the workforce to gain a better understanding of what it means to go to work. Many parents, educators, business people and community leaders are committed to making this day a valuable experience for our young people by showing them how important skills, training and education are valuable to their success.

We are expecting **all** Grade 9 students to participate in this program, therefore, regularly scheduled Grade 9 classes will not be held on this day.

Your child should be in the workplace to OBSERVE a work environment for at least the length of a regular school day. If it is not possible for your son or daughter to go to work with you, a relative, friend or local business can be a host. Any student who has difficulty finding a placement should notify the Guidance Department as soon as possible.

Please complete and sign the accompanying [permission form](#) and have your son/daughter return it to the **period 2 teacher** before **Thursday, October 19, 2017**. If you have any questions about this day, please contact Ms. R. MacSween or Ms. T. Krabi in the Guidance Department at (905)-202-1234 ext. 1193.

The Professional Engineers Ontario – York Chapter

The Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) – York Chapter is hosting their annual “Engineering Mathletics” competition for York Region students. This year there will be two sessions, one for elementary students in grades 7 and 8 and a new session for secondary students in grades 9 and 10. The event will take place on **Saturday October 28th 2017** at Sir William Mulock Secondary School in Newmarket (see the attached poster for event details and online registration instructions). Please share this terrific opportunity with your parent community and students.

BOSS After School Literacy Program

The **Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)** is a requirement for students who wish to graduate with a secondary school diploma. This year the OSSLT will be written by students across the province on **Tuesday, April 10, 2018**. As a school, we are taking many steps to assist our students in completing the test successfully. **One way that we have chosen to help of our students is by offering an After School Literacy Program to intensively target and reinforce the reading and writing skills specific to the OSSLT.**

The After School Literacy Program (ALP) will begin late October 2017 and will consist of 10 ninety-minute sessions. Students will attend twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays and will receive intensive practice with reading and writing skills and strategies.

Student Registration Forms are available [here](#) for you to print and complete. They are also available in the BOSS library.

Completed forms must be submitted to Ms. Wan in the library by Friday, October 13, 2017. Spaces are limited, so completed forms should be returned as soon as possible.

Please direct any questions about the BOSS After School Literacy Program to Ms. Wan. She can be reached by email at angela.wan@yrdsb.ca

After School Literacy Course Schedule
Semester 1 - 2017/2018

Session	Date
1	Wednesday, October 25, 2017
2	Monday, October 30, 2017
3	Wednesday, November 1, 2017
Monday, November 6, 2017 (No Session)	
4	Wednesday, November 8, 2017
5	Monday, November 13, 2017
6	Wednesday, November 15, 2017
7	Monday, November 20, 2017
8	Wednesday, November 22, 2017
9	Monday, November 27, 2017
10	Wednesday, November 29, 2017

Parent Interview Night – EDSBY Account

Parents' Night is on Tuesday October 24 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Bur Oak Secondary School will be using an online process, EDSBY, to manage our Parents' Night scheduling. **Appointments can be booked through EDSBY beginning on October 18 at 9:00 a.m..**

On Monday, October 2, parent/guardians, who have not already set up an account, will receive an invitation from EDSBY to create an account with instructions. Please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity. Parent/guardians will need to create an account **prior to October 18** in order to have access to online appointment scheduling with their child's teachers for Parents' Night.

If you would like more information about EDSBY, please visit their website at www.edsby.com

Dates at a Glance!

Sept 30	Yom Kippur
Oct 1	Ashura
Oct 3	McMaster University Presentation (8:30am in Café)
Oct 5	Terry Fox Day (Modified Day)
Oct 10	OCAD Presentation (10:45am – Career Centre)
Oct 11	Laurier Presentation (10:45am – Career Centre)
Oct 13	Photo Retakes
Oct 14	Report Card Distribution

The ISA Council and Newcomers Network Group
invites you to join
Bur Oak Secondary School



For: Newcomersn ESL & Non-ESL Students

Date: Wednesday, October 11, 2017

Rooms—2003 & 2004

Time: 3:10—4:30 pm



Come to this first meeting with all newcomers
for some fun:

- * Interactive Games
 - * Refreshments
 - * Share experiences/ school success strategies
 - * Make new friends
- and much more.....



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For further information please contact:

ESL teacher— Ms. Kathy Brown
Room 2004
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Or Thursdays, Opp Guidance Office