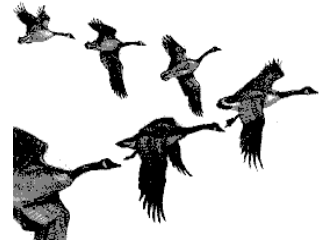


# CPS ONLINE



September 2014

## YRDSB

### Administrator Notes

#### Dates to Remember:

- September 18–1st School Council Meeting–7 pm
- Sept. 22–P.A. Day
- Sept. 24–Terry Fox walk/run
- Sep 29–Oct 3–Safety Week
- Oct. 2–CAS Assembly; Meet the Teacher
- September 29, 30 & October 1–Aussie X
- October 8–Aussie X Family Event–save the date!



**Principal:**  
**Ritch McNaughton**

**Office Assistant:**  
**Marg Speed**  
**Cheryl Ebidia (Wed, Thurs, Fri)**

**Superintendent:**  
**Clayton Latouche**

**Trustee:**  
**Joel Hertz**

#### WELCOME to our New Students and WELCOME BACK to our Returning Students

We are excited to have your children attending Charlton Public School. Students returned to newly laid flooring in all of our hallways, and a well rested and enthusiastic staff focused on your daughters and sons to make them the best they can be.

We are all looking forward to the coming year!

#### New staff at CPS

We are pleased to introduce our new staff members: Ms. Rawji returns to Charlton as a permanent home-room teacher in Gr. 3/4; Ms. Antoniou comes to us with a lot of experience from another York Region school to teach various

subjects to a number of different classes; Ms. Verri replaces Mrs. Hill who is on leave in our Gr. 1 class; Ms. Burton joins us as an EA in our Community Class; ...and Ms. Klinger returns from leave to rejoin our Kindergarten team.

A huge welcome (and welcome back) to all!



#### Aussie X

This year Charlton is thrilled to have the popular "Aussie X" program come and host a 3 day event (September 29, 30 and October 1<sup>st</sup>) to all of our students, JK–8! Aussie X has been featured on Dragon's Den, CBC News and Global News for their positive impact on school communities worldwide. Aussie X programs are safe, engaging and inclusive no matter what the skill level is for our students. Using Australian sports, such as Aussie Rules Football, Cricket, Rugby and Netball as the vehicle, Aussie

X and the C.P.S staff will help kids embrace change & NEW IDEAS so that they can grow on a personal level. The core values of the Aussie X program link directly with our character education at C.P.S., and will help to promote a positive climate early on in the school year. The engaging Aussie cultural experience and new sports introduced help to level the playing field, so that all kids, no matter their level of skill or ability, can actively participate and enjoy the feeling of getting active. The Aussie X program has been enjoyed by over 220,000 kids, 850 schools, and 5 countries!

We have worked hard to fundraise for this incredible event and want to thank School Council, The Heart and Stroke Foundation and our own C.P.S students for being able to bring this great program into our backyard. The program will also feature an evening event on Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30–7:30pm at C.P.S. where the parents are invited to come out and experience this wonderful event with their child (who will teach you few things) and experience firsthand, "Aussie X". We hope to have the entire C.P.S. community out on this night that will be filled with food, laughs and most importantly...FUN!!

## Charlton's School Council

Charlton wants to continue the vibrant School Council this year that has been a characteristic of the school for many years. Study after study points to a strong relationship between parent involvement at school and student success. One of the ways you can be aware of what is occurring at Charlton, as well as offer advice to school administration, is to join School Council. Council efforts have been responsible for allowing students many varied experiences, from our exciting Aussie X activities this year to regular use of technology in classrooms and much in between.

### Celebrating Student Birthdays

At Charlton we celebrate student birthdays with a morning announcement and a ribbon students wear on their birthday (or the day after if on a weekend). If parents would like to celebrate further, we recommend a small token (special pencil or eraser etc.) to be given to other students. Due to the increase in student allergies and anaphylactic (life threatening) reactions, no food of any sort will be distributed to other students for birthday celebrations.

### Did You Know?

- **School Start-up Package**—our new package is provided to each family for you to read thoroughly and discuss with your son/daughter. The information is also included in our Student Agendas and is essential to how Charlton operates.
- **Bus stop information** is to be accessed through schoolbus-city.com. You are able to verify bus stop locations, and pick

## Safe Schools

Protocol between York Region Police and York Region District School Board mandates that school administration remind parents of the search and seizure policy at the beginning of the school year. The protocol states that “the school community needs to be aware of the right of school administrators to search school property, such as lockers and desks, without notice to or permission of any person. School administrators shall also make the school community aware that police may from time to time be invited onto school premises to conduct their own searches. These searches may be conducted without notice to or permission of any member of the school community other than the school Principal.

### Primary Class Size Reduction

As a result of a Provincial law limiting the size of Primary classes (Kdg to Gr. 3), all schools must look at their enrolment as of mid-September, and make an adjustment, if necessary, to comply with the law. This may mean that new classes are formed, classes are cancelled, or more likely some students move from one class to another. Though this is an adjustment for students, the curriculum they follow will remain consistent, and parents know that our youngest students are in class sizes that allow teachers to give them personalized attention in some of the most important years of their educational careers.

up and drop off times— simply enter your address and select Charlton P.S. as the school to confirm bussing details.

- **New classroom**—our new Community Class is getting its finishing touches. More info to come.
- **Front door protocol**—a recent change to our front door protocol is that school front doors will be open from 3.05

## Message from our Trustee

“Welcome back to another School Year. As always, many positive changes are happening at The Board. Our new Education Director, J. Parappally has assumed his new position, as of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. As well, Full Day Kindergarten will be available for all students across the Board.

In our local area, four of our Schools are receiving additions to accommodate the large growth of students in our part of Vaughan. As well, a new Elementary School will open later in September at Valley Vista and Ilan Ramon. This will be the Anne Frank Public School, the first so-named in Canada. There are a 267 Schools in the World named after Anne Frank.

Finally, a new High School will open in February at Weston Road and Major Mackenzie. This will be named Tommy Douglas High School, after the Founder of the CCF Party, which evolved into the NDP.”

~Joel Hertz

### Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night

**October 2nd 6 pm—8 pm**

Please join us for our annual Meet the Teacher night on Thursday October 2, 2014. Information will be sent home soon with students detailing information about the night, including ordering pizza and drinks for the family. We'd love to see you !



pm to 4 pm.

- **12 new laptops** have arrived for student use. We continue to make the best use of technology as a tool to help our students learn.
- **Book Fair**— Charlton Book Fair this year will be Nov. 17–21. Stay tuned for more information.