







Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Clearmeadow P.S. Family News

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Important Information and Upcoming Dates

Mar. 5	Snack Shack! Kernels Popcorn \$2.00 – 12:40 - 1:00 pm
Mar. 6	School Spirit/Fashion Friday – CrAzY SoCk Day!
Mar. 10	Electricity Safety & Conservation Presentations
Mar. 12	Snack Shack! Kernels Popcorn \$2.00 – 12:40 - 1:00 pm
Mar. 13	School Spirit/Fashion Friday – Pajama Day!! 
Mar. 13	 Deadline for all PIZZA Orders for this term.
Mar. 16 - 20	 No School! Enjoy the March Break
Mar. 24	“You, Me, Us” Presentations by Inspiration Republic
Mar. 25	Dine at Boston Pizza, Newmarket – 5:00 - 8:00 pm Grade 8 Graduation Celebration Fundraiser Event
Mar. 26	Snack Shack! Kernels Popcorn \$2.00 – 12:40 - 1:00 pm
Mar. 27	School Spirit/Fashion Friday – BLUE & YELLOW Day!
Mar. 27	PIZZA LUNCH! First PIZZA FRIDAY for this second term! <i>Thanks to our parent volunteers who make this possible!</i> 



VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

Our students are taught to be vigilant when encountering strangers. In accordance with the Safe Schools Policy, parents who are planning to be in the school building or on the playground during school hours are asked to sign in at the office and wear a visitor’s tag so our students and staff members will recognize you as a visitor.

Meeting and conversation times, with teachers, need to be prearranged.

Parents who accompany their children to and from school are asked to determine a meeting place outside of the school building. This helps to minimize congestion in the halls and avoid the risk of contact with strangers. We greatly appreciate your help with these important procedures.



MOVING or Not Returning in September?

If you know that your child/children will not be returning to Clearmeadow Public School in September, please inform the office as soon as possible. A decrease in enrolment also affects the staffing and organization and we appreciate having this information sooner rather than later.



MUSICPLAY at CLEARMEADOW

The photographs are images of our grade two students participating in music class supported by the MUSICPLAY program.

This on-line teaching tool allows students to watch demonstrations of singing, instrumental accompaniments and dances to various songs. Students learn the words to the song, rhythmic patterns to play and dances that match the music.

MUSICPLAY supports the playing of Orff instruments, recorders, guitar, piano and boom-whackers.

Our primary and junior students participate in this program which helps prepare them for instrumental music in the intermediate grades.



NEEDED – School Assistants at Clearmeadow P.S.

We are in need of School (Lunch) Assistants. This is a paid position with YRDSB. Just a reminder that our School Assistants are staff members. We are confident in our School Assistants abilities to handle situations as they arise. They fulfill an essential role. Students are to give them the same respect as they would to teachers, caretakers, office administrators and educational assistants.

If you are interested in joining our team as a School (Lunch) Assistant, please call Mrs.O'Reilly at (905) 868-8081.

Electricity Safety & Conservation Presentations – March 10, 2020

Presenters from Newmarket Hydro will be visiting Clearmeadow PS on Tuesday, March 10th to teach our students about both electrical safety and conservation. Primary students will meet 'Wires' the safety puppet and engage in some hands on activities to help develop their understanding. The junior and intermediate presentations focus on electrical hazards at home, dangers at electrical substations and car accidents involving power lines and poles. Students will learn why it is important not to be negatively pressured by peers and some of the serious accidents that can happen when unsafe decisions are made. Energy costs and conservation will also be explored throughout these presentations. We would like to express our appreciation to Newmarket Hydro in partnering with us to help share safety messages with our students.

Save the Dates **March 25 and April 22**

Families are invited to dine at Boston Pizza on Wednesday, March 25 and Wednesday, April 22, in support of our Grade 8 students fundraising efforts. Clearmeadow PS Grade 8 students will be "Celebrity Servers" these two evenings between 5:00 pm and 8:00 pm. Boston Pizza will donate 10% of food sales to support the Grade 8 students' graduation celebration.

This event is taking place at the East Gwillimbury location, 18199 Yonge Street.



Clearmeadow P.S. Yearbook Cover Contest!

Calling all Clearmeadow artists! The yearbook cover contest is back! Let's design the finest and most creative cover Clearmeadow has EVER seen!

Here's what you'll need:

- ✓ School Name & Year
- ✓ Our Mascot
- ✓ Creativity
- ✓ Originality
- ✓ Lots of Colour
- ✓ Correct Spelling
- ✓ Your name and class on the back of your entry

You Could Win A Free Yearbook!

One cover winner will be chosen from each division:

Primary (JK- 3), Junior (4-6) and Intermediate (7-8)

Each cover winner will be featured in the yearbook!



Choose your style:

- Paint
- Pencil Crayon
- Computer Graphics
- Photos
- (no glitter please!)

**Please submit your entry on 8.5" x 11" paper,
to the office by March 27th, 2020**



Inspiration Republic - You, Me, Us Presentations

The Inspiration Republic Presentations of You, Me, Us were not able to be presented on February 28th as it was an inclement weather day. The presentations have been rescheduled.

These powerful presentations will take a look at Historical African Canadian figures who have made substantial contributions in the Black community and Canadian Culture. We look forward to Germaine Ransome and Joel David Witton's visit on March 24th to help support our Black History Month focus throughout the month of February.

<https://www.inspirationrepublic.org/>

PIZZA FRIDAYS!!

Because we missed two Pizza Fridays with the school being closed, School Council will be honouring these missed pizza dates by adding March 6th and March 13th to complete TERM 1.

TERM TWO PIZZA will begin on Friday, March 27 and Friday, March 13th is the Deadline on School Cash Online to order PIZZA!

Pizza Fridays for this next session runs **March 27** until **June 19, 2020**.

If you have any questions please feel free to email Soula at:

soularoper@rogers.com

or Lynn at: mlcritch@sympatico.ca

INCLEMENT WEATHER & BUS CANCELLATIONS

If buses are cancelled in the morning, they are **also cancelled for the afternoon**. For safety reasons, you may choose whether or not to send your child to school. However, **if you bring your child to school you will need to pick them up at 3:20 pm dismissal time**. If you choose to keep your child who **normally walks** to school home for the day, **you MUST call the school and report their absence**.

Our Safe Arrival Program dictates that we know where all absent students are – if we cannot reach you, we will contact your emergency contact person. If we cannot reach that person, we are obligated to contact the police.

Once students arrive, they are expected to stay at school. If you are planning to pick up your child during the lunch hour please make arrangements ahead of time.

When buses are cancelled:

NO Lunch Lady - Please send a lunch with your child

NO Special Events - Presentations & field trips rescheduled

Our school remains open. There may be a modified program in your child's class due to numbers of students attending and absences of some teachers.

Dress for the weather – bus cancellation does not mean automatic indoor recesses or early entry into the school.

Make arrangements for transport of your child at end of day - if you have driven your child to school due to the buses being cancelled, remember **they need to be picked up at 3:20 pm**.



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