



COPPARD CHRONICLE

April 2017



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Important Dates:

April 11— Pesach

April 13— Vaisakhi

April 14—Good Friday

April 16— Easter

April 17—Easter Monday—No School

April 20—Ridvan



OUR SCHOOL...

- Promotes learning in a caring and safe environment.
- Strives for excellence academically, socially, emotionally and physically.
- Has high expectations and standards.

THE COPPARD GLEN PUBLIC SCHOOL community believes in success for all students. It is committed to developing within each student the attitudes, knowledge and skills needed to be a contributing and responsible member of Canadian society.

Dear Coppard Families,

On March 29th, York Region District School Board held their 4th annual Regional Parent Symposium "Parent Voice Matters." It was a wonderful event. We at Coppard Glen are so proud of our relationships with parents and the work we do together. We would like to extend a sincere thank you to two groups of our school community, our families and our students, who contribute to making Coppard Glen the incredible place of learning that it is. Our families are always very supportive of our initiatives and policies and that collaboration has made it possible to create a learning environment that is safe, welcoming and learner-centred.

Thank you to:

- ◆ The families who have been so cooperative in making sure their children arrive at school on time, prepared for the day with a healthy snack and healthy lunch.
- ◆ The parents who walk with, or encourage their children to walk to school. Not only does it provide valuable exercise, but it reduces the traffic congestion in the school driveway.
- ◆ The community members who reduce their speed in the school area and diligently attend to traffic signs to help ensure all students are safe on their way and from school.
- ◆ The students who have been playing safely in the playground and including everyone.
- ◆ The students who remember the appropriate times to take out personal electronic devices and when to put them away.
- ◆ The students who always remember good character and kindness in their interactions with each other, especially online and even when away from school.
- ◆ The students, who even when faced with a challenge, take risks and persevere through the challenge, knowing they have done their best.

R. Ishtiaque and T. Evans

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Board Policies and Procedures

Policies and procedures govern the operation of the Board and our school. To ensure they remain current, the Board reviews policies and procedures on a regular cycle. Seeking feedback from staff and community members, including parents/guardians, is an important part of the review process.

All policies available for comment are sent to school council chairs, and are posted on the [Board website](#) along with information about how to provide feedback. The policies and proposals currently available for comment include:

The following policies with investigative components:

Professional Misconduct and Progressive Discipline

Respectful Workplaces and Learning Environments

Supporting Community Concerns

A proposal for next steps on the process for addressing concerns raised by students, staff and community members.

To learn more, visit www.yrdsb.ca/aboutus/policy/.

YRDSB Survey for Parents/Guardians

We will be inviting parents/guardians to participate in a survey May 1-19, 2017. This survey provides an important opportunity for parent/guardian voice. Results will be used to guide planning to support student achievement and well-being.

You may complete the survey online or on paper. The online survey will be available in English. Paper surveys will be available from the school office in English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Sri Lankan Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese.

We value your input and encourage you to complete the survey. The information you provide will be anonymous, considered confidential and kept in strict accordance with all relevant legislation.

Information about how to access the online survey will be sent home with students at the end of April. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

The Coppard Glen Character Trait
for April is
“INTEGRITY”

People who have integrity are honest and sincere. They do what they say they will do and act according to their beliefs.

“Integrity is born of courage shown in the face of error or adversity.”

Coppard CaReS:
Coppard Character, Recognition and Spirit Assembly
Friday, April 28th, 2017
at **11:15 a.m.**

This month’s trait is **“INTEGRITY.”**

Every month at Coppard Glen P.S., we host our Spirit and Character Assemblies. We gather together as an entire school from Kindergarten to Grade 8, to show our school spirit by celebrating accomplishments and recognizing good character. We also have important messages presented from our student groups such as Student Council, Me to We and our Eco-Team. Parents are always invited to attend all assemblies. The dates for the remainder of the year for Spirit and Character assemblies are as follows:

Monday, May 29 at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, June 21st at 9:15 a.m.



Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration commenced on Friday, January 20, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: www.yrdsb.ca.



Children who turn four or five years old during 2017, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. A kindergarten information session for parents is being planned for this spring. For more information please visit the YRDSB website or contact your local school.

French Immersion Registrations

French Immersion registration began on January 20, 2017. Parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2017, and wishing to enroll in the FI Program, can visit or call the school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address (Property Tax bill or any utility bill, NO Drivers License), to the designated FI program location to register. Please visit YRDSB's website in **April 2017** (<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/fi/Pages/Programs-Locations.aspx>) to find the FI program location for your elementary school location.

YRDSB's FI Accommodation Plan provides long-term consistency and equity of access to all students in York Region and will enable YRDSB to continue to offer the FI program to all who wish to enrol. The FI program will be offered in Dual Track or Single Track settings, in a variety of configurations. In order to meet community needs and optimize available space in our schools, a community's Grade 1-8 FI program may be provided over more than one school during the course of a student's FI education. This will allow flexibility in addressing community needs and the opportunity to use existing space in schools. More information is available on the Board's website: www.yrdsb.ca. Please note: Some of the FI accommodation plans will require facility modifications or the development of new schools and will require short-term transition plans that might include overflow while we work toward the long-term vision. Overflow refers to situations in which the Board directs students to attend a school other than their community school or optional program for a specific period of time, as defined in Policy #108.



TOGETHER WE'RE BETTER

As a part of their Community Service initiative, Together We're Better team of Coppard Glen volunteered their time at Yellow Brick House which is a not for profit organization helping the abused women and children in our community. Our students visited their warehouse and sorted the donated items. Together We're Better Team also donated a cheque of \$200 from the funds they raised earlier. We are planning to have another campaign this month in school called "Baby Steps" where we will collect items for babies like diapers, baby food, baby clothes and other baby stuff. The donations will go to help the young children at Yellow Brick House. We encourage everyone in the community to donate and make this drive a success.

*Together We're Better Team,
Mrs. Chatterjee & Mrs. Khurana*



[POPCORN SALES AT COPPARD GLEN](#)

On Wednesday, March 8th, we held a Kernels Popcorn Day. Demand for popcorn was high and it was a great turnout. We sold over 150 bags of popcorn! Our next popcorn day will be: **Wednesday, April 5th & 19th**. Don't forget you're toonies!

A big appreciation to all the staff and students who volunteered their time to make this happen. Thank you!



Next School Council Meeting:

APRIL 4, 2017

Meetings start at **6:30pm, in the library.**

Just a reminder of our upcoming School Council Meetings dates:

School Council Executive for 2016-2017:

Chair: **Arun Arunthavarajah**

Secretary: **Aravinthan Shanmugarajan**

Treasurer: **Alifa Somani**

May 2nd



COPPARD GLEN PIZZA LUNCH THIS MONTH

WILL BE

THURSDAY, APRIL

6, 13, 20 & 27



COPPARD GLEN SUBWAY® LUNCHES

We are excited to offer SUBWAY® lunch on **TUESDAYS** once a month on: Just a reminder of our upcoming Subway dates:

APRIL 4, 2017

May 2, 2017

June 6, 2017



School Assistant Positions—Lunchtime

Positions are available if you are interested in working as a School Assistant at our school, please contact the school office (905) 471-0419. We currently need people for occasional work. These are paid positions and require one hour a day, over our lunch hour which is from 12:45 p.m.—1:45 p.m. A Police Vulnerable Sector Check will be required.

**Help
Wanted**

Apply Inside

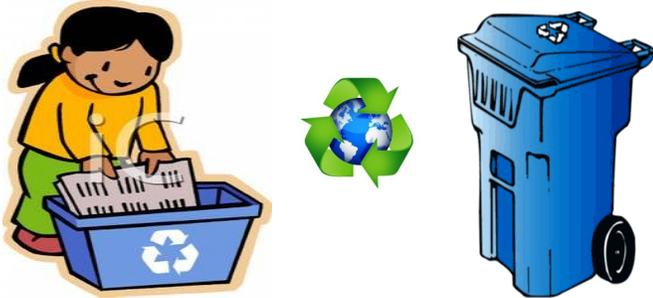
Lunch Helper



Coppard Glen P.S. is an EcoSchool!

Here at Coppard Glen the environment is very important to us. As an EcoSchool we have made a school wide commitment to protect, think and learn about our environment by joining a program called Ontario EcoSchools. Ontario EcoSchools is a province wide environmental educational program for Grades Kindergarten -12 that helps students teach to become environmentally responsible citizens.

Congratulations to Coppard Glen Public School for your many efforts to make our school and community a little more greener. Way to go!



Bussing for French Immersion Students

In order to ensure effective and timely communication for changes to bus routine, please let a member of the office staff know of any changes by **9am that day**. This way, the information can be communicated to the teacher before the instructional day begins and he/she can make adjustments accordingly.



Eco-Team News for April



The challenge this month is to take action and...

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

Earth Week starts **Monday, April 18** through **Friday, April 21**

Earth Day!

Look for the **Earth week Challenge Banner**....we will be focusing on different activities that will get to think of different ways to **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle** at school and in our homes!

Coppard Let's Take Action Every Day!

Grade 8 Graduation

With the new year upon us, it is time to think about graduation for our Grade 8 students. This year's ceremony and celebration will be held at the Shangri-La Convention Centre on **Tuesday, June 27th, 2017**. Save the date and come help us celebrate with this year's grads!

Mrs. Kostash



Would you like to volunteer at school?



We are looking for people who can prepare the snack bins and shop for food for the snack program. If you have half an hour or more to spare, we need some helpers Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please contact Ms. Cracknell, Ms. Nicholls or let the office know.



Macklin House KidZone

Just a reminder to all families that Macklin House KidZone offers before and after school care to Coppard families. We open at 7 a.m. and offer extended hours after school until 6 p.m. Please contact us to be on our waiting list. Call us at (905) 472-6201, if you are interested or would like further information. We are open to new registrations!



Think Autism



Do you want to learn more about Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)?

Come to this information presentation to learn the basics about Autism, gain knowledge and learn strategies for common challenges. This is a great first step in your journey to becoming an Autism “expert”! This year, we are going to facilitate sessions at Markham Village Library in English and Chinese (Cantonese & Mandarin)

Come find out on:

Thursday, April 20, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where?

Markham Village Library (6031 Highway 7 East, Markham, ON L3P 3A7)

◆ **Please park at the back**

Speakers:

Michael Morris-Kerry's Place Autism Services

Ellen Chan & Annie Zhang—Community Living York South

Cathy Ng (Teacher Liaison) - Inclusion School and Community Service,
York Region District School Board

For further information and / or registration, please contact:

Annie Zhang: (905) 884-9110 EXT. 382 or Email azhang@communitylivingyorksouth.ca

Please indicate what language you prefer English or Chinese

Play and Learn



Community Action Program for Children



***FREE program for parents/grandparents/
caregivers and their children (0-6 yrs. old)***

Date: Every Wednesday, April 12th – June 21st, 2017

*Join us for songs, creative play, toys & story time, &
up to date resource information*

on child development and supporting your child's transition to school

*Parent or grandparent **must** attend with their child.*

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Coppard Glen Public School

131 Coppard Avenue, Markham, ON L3S 2T5

For further information and to register contact:

Akua Asamoah (905) 642-9965

Email: markham.capc@gmail.com

Website: www.yorkchild.ca

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**COPPARD GLEN PUBLIC SCHOOL
ROBOTICS & CODING CLUB
GRADES 1-3 TUESDAY**



TRAVEL ADVENTURER

April 4–May 23, 12:45 PM–1:45 PM

- ◆ Join Dash and Dot, the world's greatest explorers! Learn how to program Dash and Dot to discover treasure, dodge booby traps, and make maps using an intuitive graphical coding language! Learn about sequences by creating a travel story. Use loops and if statements to solve puzzles and react to the unexpected. Create art, dance and play music in different countries around the world. Come put your coding knowledge and adventure training to the ultimate test!

Register at logicsacademy.com/register

info@logicsacademy.com

(905) 604-8445



**COPPARD GLEN PUBLIC SCHOOL
ROBOTICS & CODING CLUB
GRADES. 4-6 WEDNESDAY**



ROBOT OLYMPICS

April 5–May 24, 12:45 PM–1:45 PM

- ◆ Meet Dash, the next Olympic athlete! Using a quick-to-learn graphical language, help Dash complete feats of strength and speed. How did a lovable robot like Dash make it all the way to the Olympic games? Create a story using sequences of Dash's rise to fame. Use functions (an important tool in coding) to turn Dash into a Soccer and Basketball player. Compete against classmates in long jumps and 100 centimeter sprints. Come learn the skills to win a gold medal in coding!

*Register at logicsacademy.com/register
info@logicsacademy.com*

Contact number: (905) 604-8445



SCHOOL SAFETY ZONE

ACTIVE & SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL

The town of Markham is improving safety around schools and encouraging children to be more active.



How Do Signs Help?

- ◆ Large advisory signs increase driver awareness approaching a school.
- ◆ “NO Stopping”, regulations on one side of the road ensure traffic can flow in both directions.
- ◆ “NO Parking”, regulations reduce the length of time a car is stopped, providing more opportunities and space for parents to pick-up or drop-off their children.
- ◆ U-turns are unsafe.

How Can Parents Help?

- ◆ Obey all the traffic signs.
- ◆ Do not drop your child off on the side of the street opposite the school.
- ◆ Stop on the same side as the school. Do not leave the car.
- ◆ Do not make U-Turns.
- ◆ Adjust your route to school if necessary and give yourself extra time.
- ◆ Respect other drivers. Be patient.
- ◆ Do not use side roads on private driveways in the area as alternate pick-up or drop-off points. Please respect other homeowners’ properties.

What Is A School Safety Zone?

- ◆ School Safety Zones are areas in front of the school where special signs have been installed to improve traffic flow and safety.

SCHOOL SAFETY ZONE— ACTIVE & SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL



Blue School Zone

Increases motorist awareness approaching a school.



NO Parking

Parking is not permitted on the side of the street nearest the school. You are allowed to stop and drop-off or pick-up, however you cannot leave your car.



NO U-Turns

You cannot turn your car around the street



NO Stopping

You cannot stop on the side of the street opposite to the school. All drop-off and pick-up activities must be restricted to the same side of the road as the school.



Maximum, 40 Speed Sign

Drive at a speed no more than 40 km/h.



Idle Free Zone (By-Law No. 2005-192)

Motorists have a 3 minute idle limit. After that, the vehicle must be turned off.

Remember To Obey All Traffic Signs



No stopping sign
(with days & Time)

No stopping allowed at the specified times & days except holidays and except when necessary to avoid conflict or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or of a traffic control sign or signal.



No parking sign
(with days & Time)

No parking allowed at the specified times and days except holidays, except when temporarily halting for the purpose of, and while actually engaged in loading or unloading goods or passengers



No U-Turn sign

You cannot turn your car around on the street
Prohibits a 180 degree turning manoeuvre at or near the location of the sign

Please Let's All Drive Safe

FORKS & SPOONS

Here at Coppard Glen we are an eco-friendly school. Lets all take care of the environment! Please make sure that your children have proper reusable utensils to eat their snacks and lunches.

Thank you!



DONATIONS FOR ART CLUB

Parents, we are looking for recycled materials such as baby food jars, paper towel rolls, fabric remnants/pieces, discarded clean socks (you know the kind that come out of the dryer and the other one is missing), yogurt containers of all sizes and lids of all sizes (cream cheese, yogurt, Pringles, etc.)

Please drop your items to the office.

Thank you,

Ms. Karshan & Ms. Ing



 SchoolCash Online
Pay for student items online

School Cash ONLINE

A new exciting method to pay online is available to our parents now offered at Coppard Glen P.S. is accepting online payments through School Cash ONLINE!

School Cash Online provides the following benefits:

- A convenient fee payment option that saves time
- Reduces paper
- NO more need to send cash or cheques to school
- A quick way to register. It takes less than 5 minutes to register.

Parents that opt to participate will receive notification via email of student fees owed (both required and optional), and can make secure online payments by credit card or Interac and receive a receipt.

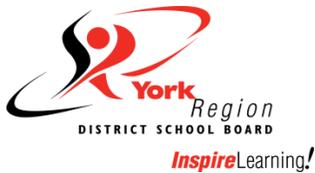


School Cash Online
Pay for Student Items Online

Benefits:

- ✓ **Convenient:** Make payments Anytime ... Online!
- ✓ **Easy to Use:** Fill a shopping cart and check out
- ✓ **Safe:** No more need to send Cash to school
- ✓ **Secure:** Our website is protected and PCI compliant
- ✓ **Save Time:** It takes Less than 5 minutes to register





The York Region District School Board **Summer Institute** is a program that offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum for children and youth entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8.

Programs are offered at in Richmond Hill, Markham, Stouffville, Newmarket, Woodbridge, Vaughan and Georgina from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

YMCA Before and Aftercare programs available at all locations

[YMCA Before and After Care Registration](#)

Weekly Sessions July 4, 2017 to August 11, 2017

For registration information and to see what types of exciting programs are being offered this summer, please visit www.yrdsb.ca and select programs and services.

Summer Institute Site

[Armadale S.I.](#)

[Crosby Heights S.I.](#)

[Discovery S.I. \(located at Teston Village P.S.\)](#)

[Lakeside S.I.](#)

[Lake Wilcox S.I.](#)

[Maple Leaf S.I. \(located at Glen Cedar P.S.\)](#)

[Milliken Mills S.I. \(located at Highgate P.S.\)](#)

[Oscar Peterson S.I.](#)

[Sixteenth Avenue S.I.](#)

[Unionville Meadows S.I.](#)

[Woodbridge S.I.](#)

Address

11 Coppard Ave., Markham

190 Neal Dr., Richmond Hill

80 Murray Farm Lane., Maple

213 Shorecrest Rd., Keswick

80 Wildwood Ave., Richmond Hill

915 Wayne Dr., Newmarket

35 Highgate Dr., Markham

850 Hoover Park Dr., Stouffville

400 Sixteenth Ave., Richmond Hill

355 South Unionville Ave., Markham

60 Burwick Ave., Woodbridge

For additional information please email performanceplus.si@yrdsb.ca or call 905-884-2046 ext. 240.

: Check out our website for additional information on:



INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES PROGRAM- SECONDARY CREDIT PROGRAM 2017-2018

Why Study International Languages at High School?

Language is our connection with our community and the world. Through language we identify the world around us, express our concerns and hopes, and share our experiences and ideas.

So what are you waiting for?! Now is the time to take advantage of this opportunity and register for a YRDSB International Language CREDIT course of your choice! We offer CREDIT courses in 15 languages at 4 high schools.

Learning another language...

- can enhance intellectual functioning
- strengthens first language skills and facilitates learning additional languages
- creates pride in one's own cultural background and better understanding of other cultures
- enhances career options (source: <http://www.ilea.ca> 03/11/15)

COURSE	Level 1 (Grade 9/10)	Level 2 (Grade 11)	Level 3 (Grade 12)	SCHOOL LOCATION			
				MIDDLEFIELD C.I.	RICHMOND HILL H.S.	THORNLEA S.S.	UNIONVILLE H.S.
		Prerequisite: Level 1	Prerequisite: Level 2				
ARABIC	LYA BD	LYA CU	LYA DU		Saturday		
CANTONESE	LKC BD	LKC CU	LKC DU	Saturday		Saturday	Tuesday
FARSI	LYF BD	LYF CU	LYF DU			Saturday	
GERMAN	LWG BD	LWG CU	LWG DU		Saturday		
GREEK	LBG BD	LBG CU	LBG DU		Saturday		
GUJARATI	LIG BD	LIG CU	LIG DU	Saturday			
JAPANESE	LKJ BD	LKJ CU	LKJ DU			Saturday	Tuesday
KOREAN	LKK BD	LKK CU	LKK DU		Saturday		
MANDARIN SIMPLIFIED	LKB BD	LKB CU	LKB DU	Saturday		Saturday	Tuesday
MANDARIN TRADITIONAL	LKM BD	LKM CU	LKM DU	Saturday		Saturday	
MANDARIN SIMPLIFIED ADVANCED PLACEMENT			LKB DUE	Saturday			
PUNJABI	LIP BD	LIP CU	LIP DU	Saturday			
RUSSIAN	LRR BD	LRR CU	LRR DU		Saturday		
SPANISH	LWS BD	LWS CU	LWS DU		Saturday		
TAMIL	LIT BD	LIT CU	LIT DU	Saturday			
URDU	LIU BD	LIU CU	LIU DU	Saturday			

Register online via *Career Cruising* commencing May 1st, 2017.

- Once you have registered, print a sign-off sheet and get your parents to sign for parental approval
- Students who have pre-registered in class will not need to register again in September
- Attend the first class according to the above schedule and bring your signed Career Cruising Sign-off Sheet
- Course locations will be posted in the foyer of the International Languages school on the first day of class

April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 	3	4  Subway Lunch & School Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.	5 Popcorn Sale 	6  Pizza Lunch	7	8
9	10	11 VIP Gr.6	12 Grad Photos 	13  Pizza Lunch	14 Good Friday - No School 	15
16 Easter 	17 Easter Monday – No School 	18 Fire Safety Gr. 2 VIP Gr. 6	19 Popcorn Sale  EARTH  week	20  Pizza Lunch	21 Gr. 7 & 8 Skills Ontario @ 2 p.m. & EARTH DAY	22
23/30	24	25	26	27  Pizza Lunch	28 Coppard CaReS Assembly @ 11:15 a.m.	29