

Week 38- Friday, June 16th, 2023



Elder's Mills: The Eagle Eye

Soaring on Wings of Character, Community and Diversity

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What's Happening @ EMPS!

EMPS Talent Showcase!!!! Thank you to our families and caregivers for coming on Thursday evening to enjoy the amazing talent of our student performers! We enjoyed hearing and seeing performances from so many different students ranging from solo acts to Concert Band! We have a wonderfully talented group of students at EMPS!



Congratulations to our Soccer Teams!

Our Intermediate Boys' and our Intermediate Girls Soccer Teams participated in Area Tournaments this week. After only a few weeks of practice, lots of teamwork and motivation, both teams won their Area Championship! Thank you to their coaches, Mme Merches and M.



Gregoriou for their mentorship and guidance as they practiced and prepared our teams for the tournaments. Thank you to the parents who supported the teams by driving to and from practices and games and cheering the students on from the sidelines! Go Eagles Go!

EMPS Student recognized at the Educators for Tamil Students Success Annual awards (AEBS):

ETSS is a network of educators within York Region District School Board, with the purpose of promoting the achievement and well-being of students of Tamil heritage. On June 12th, the ETSS Annual Student Success Awards 2023 We are very proud to congratulate one of our grade 8 students, recognized for her academic achievement at this celebration. Felicitations Vinaya!



PRIMARY CONCERT AND PRIMARY PLAY DAY!

Tuesday, June 20th:

Some of our Grade 2 and 3 classes will be performing some songs and dances for students and families on Tuesday June 20th. The performance for families will begin at 2:00 p.m. and be held in the gym. Families with classes participating will have received a letter from teachers inviting them to this day. Please reach out directly to your child's teacher if you need information.

Friday, June 23rd:

Our Grade 2 and 3 students will be enjoying some fun in the sun during their Primary Play Day! Outdoor activities are planned for this day. Please ensure your child is dressed for the weather and appropriate sun-protection measures as needed. Reach out to your child's teacher if you need information.



EVERY STUDENT COUNTS SURVEY - EXTENSION - GRADE 2 AND 3 FAMILIES WE NEED YOU!

Dear families,

The deadline for the Kindergarten - Grade 3 Every Student Counts Survey has been extended to June 23, 2023.

For your convenience, we recently sent home a new survey invitation letter with an access code. Families can access the survey [here](#). Please disregard the letter if you have already completed the survey or wish not to do so.



Taking 20 minutes to fill out the survey will provide the board and our school with vital information, which will inform our planning and ensure we are meeting the needs of all students. We greatly value your feedback and hope you will consider sharing it with us.

June 21st is National Indigenous People's Day:

June 21 was declared National Indigenous Peoples Day in 1996 by then Governor General Romeo Leblanc. The day was chosen in consultation with some national organizations for Indigenous peoples including the Assembly of First Nations, and coincides with the summer solstice which is significant for some First Nations.

Examining the truths of Canada's colonial past and present is important work and should continue to drive our examination of bias and what Canadian history has tried to deny for so long. The importance of June 21st, however, is to uplift and affirm Indigenous identities by including positive representations.

The 21st has become a day for celebration in many Indigenous communities. It is a day for showing pride in their living cultures and to demonstrate a resurgence of ways of being, thinking and speaking. Join us today in celebrating the diverse cultures of First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities, the original people of Turtle Island.



Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools
Differences That Make A Difference
with Dr. Howard C. Stevenson


Monday June 19, 2023
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Virtual Event


Parents/guardians and students are invited to attend a virtual workshop with Dr. Howard C. Stevenson, author of Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools: Differences That Make a Difference.

Join the conversation on how to help children learn healthier ways to resolve racial stress.

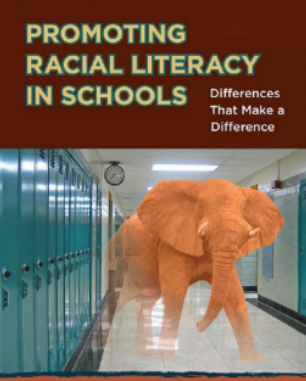
All participants in this FREE workshop must RSVP using the link below.

Register here





PROMOTING RACIAL LITERACY IN SCHOOLS Differences That Make a Difference



HOWARD C. STEVENSON

Presented by Inclusive School and Community Services
Workshop funded through the
Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant

[CLICK HERE FOR REGISTRATION LINK](#)

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

FRIDAY JUNE 30, 2023 IS AN EARLY RELEASE DAY

On Friday June 30, 2023 an early release day will take place to allow elementary teachers and support staff to take part in meetings during the afternoon of that day. These meetings will allow for school staff to engage in culminating activities regarding the review and revision of the School's Improvement Plan as well as year-end and transition activities that support student success.

Students will attend school during the morning of Friday, June 30 only. Students will be dismissed early that day at 11:45 AM. Arrangements will be made to ensure that students who are normally bused to and from school will receive transportation at this time.

Help! There is school inventory in your homes!

Please ensure **all items belonging to the school**, Chromebooks, textbooks, library books, musical instruments, classroom books etc.. have been returned to the school.



2023 - 2024 School Year Calendar:

Families may access the 2023 - 2024 School Year Calendar at the YRDSB webpages: [Upcoming School Year Calendar](#)

Some key dates to note are listed below:

- Tuesday, September 5, 2023 - First day of school for students
- Thursday, June 27, 2024 - Last day of school for students

The school holidays for all elementary and secondary schools will be as follows:

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| • Labour Day | Monday, September 4, 2023 |
| • Thanksgiving Day | Monday, October 9, 2023 |
| • Winter Break | Monday, December 25, 2023 to Friday, January 5, 2024 |
| • Family Day | Monday, February 19, 2024 |
| • Mid-Winter Break | Monday, March 11, 2024 to Friday, March 15, 2024 |
| • Good Friday | Friday, March 29, 2024 |
| • Easter Monday | Monday, April 1, 2024 |
| • Victoria Day | Monday, May 20, 2024 |

On the Horizon....

June

18 Father's Day

20 NEW DATE!!! Primary presentation -

Daytime event

21 National Indigenous People's Day

22 Grade 8 Trip

23 Primary Play Day

23 Junior Speech competition

26 Grade 8 Graduation

29 Eid-ul-Adha

30 Last Day of Classes - Half Day a.m.

We wish our students and our families a very happy weekend! To all celebrating Father's Day, we wish you a very Happy Day!

Eugenia Korinis
Principal

Omari White
Vice-Principal

