# **ECSS**

# e-bulletin

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We have seen a tremendous improvement to traffic flow in the mornings as almost everyone is taking their turn and following our guidelines. With the rain this morning, we saw a significant increase in the number of cars dropping off students. This resulted in a number of cars attempting to take short cuts which puts pedestrians at risk and slows down the flow of traffic for all.

I would like to share a few reminders and observations for how we can keep traffic flowing for everyone.

I have included a map on the next page with corresponding number locations to help illustrate the areas of concern.

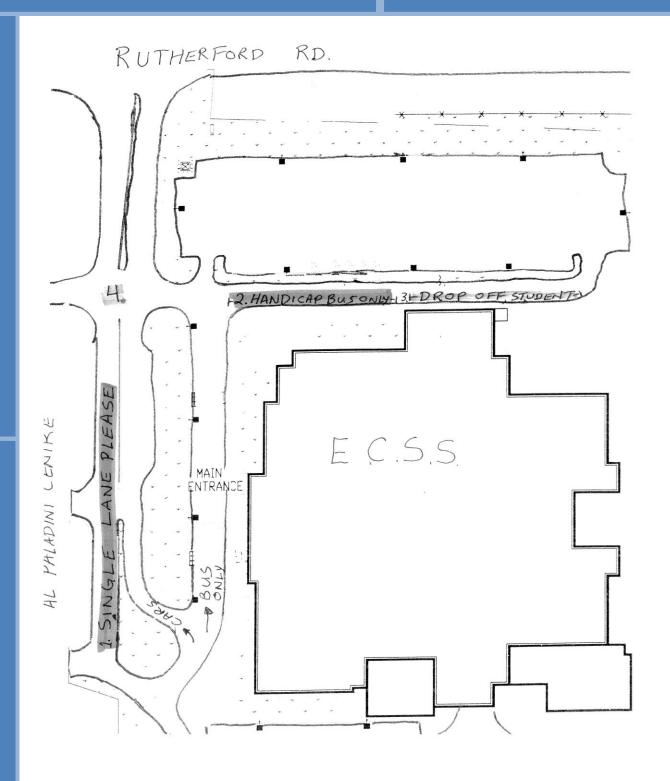
- **Location 1-** The entrance from Rutherford is a two lane road, please note that it changes to single lane after the first intersection.
- Location 2- Parents are asked to refrain from dropping off their children in the Handicap Drop off zone. This presents challenges for our busses and backs up traffic flow
- **Location 3** This is a good location to drop students off but make sure you are all the way past the handicap parking signs before stopping.
- Location 4- We continue to have some cars making u-turns at this intersection. This is incredibly dangerous.

Experience tells us that on bad weather day (snow, rain) we see a significant increase in car traffic and longer wait times for parents trying to enter and leave the property. Parents who arrived before 7:50am this morning did not experience a delay. Regardless of the weather, it is always best to have your children make their way to school as they typically would.

For those who have had a child at ECSS for a few years, I know that you will agree that traffic has improved. We need everyone to continue to follow our traffic guidelines to ensure a safe and speedy drop off and pick up for all of our community members.

Thank you

Paolo Burzese





## Dates at a Glance!

Oct 27 PA DAY

Nov 5 Take Our Kids To Work Day

(Grade 9)

Nov 5 Take Our Kids to High School

(Grade 8)

Nov 12 Interview Night

Nov 13 Pathways to Opportunity

(6:30 - 8:30 p.m.)

Nov 14 PA DAY

## **GUIDANCE AND CAREER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

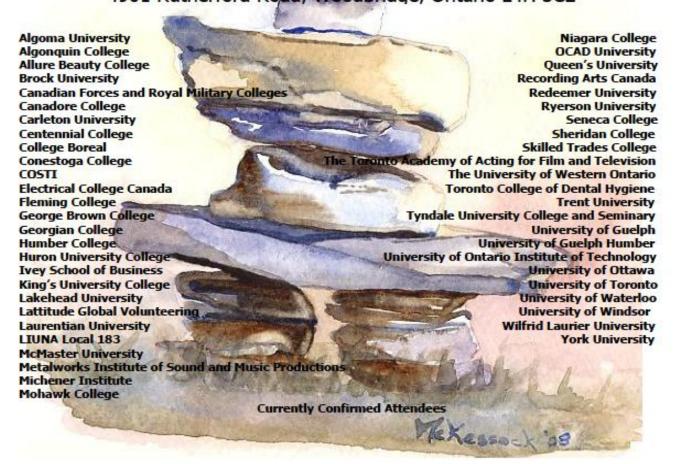
The **Guidance and Career Education E-Bulletin** can now be found under the Guidance link of the ECSS website.

### **Emily Carr Secondary School**

in partnership with
Tommy Douglas S.S. and Woodbridge College
presents

# Pathways to Opportunity

Thursday, November 13, 2014 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. 4901 Rutherford Road, Woodbridge, Ontario L4H 3C2



This event is open to all students, parents/guardians and teachers from our community.

#### Accelerated OYAP (Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program)

The Accelerated OYAP programs provide Grade 12 students with the opportunity to earn high school Community Based Education credits, register as an apprentice, complete part or all of their Level One apprenticeship schooling in a specific trade, and earn hours/demonstrate competencies towards their apprenticeship. Students concurrently earn additional high school credit(s) through these dual credit opportunities.

Grade 12 students who are currently enrolled in OYAP for semester two of this school year, have expressed an interest in the Accelerated OYAP programs, AND who meet the criteria to apply <u>MUST</u> attend the relevant information session to initiate the application process. The <u>dates are fast approaching!</u> Please see the chart below for details.

| Program   | Open House Date                | Time                 | Training Delivery Agent and<br>Location  |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Automotive Service Technician<br>Level 1 App: Automotive Service<br>Technician 310S   | Thursday,<br>October 16, 2014  | 7:00 PM —<br>9:00 PM | Centennial College – Ashtonbee Campus<br>75 Ashtonbee Road<br>Scarborough, ON M1L 4N4<br>Room: Ashtonbee Auditorium<br>Parking gates open; free when you leave         |
| Cook – Culinary Arts<br>Level 1 App: Cook 415A  | Tuesday,<br>October 21, 2014   | 7:00 PM —<br>9:00 PM | Humber College – North Campus<br>205 Humber College Boulevard<br>Toronto, ON M9W 5L7<br>Room: Seventh Semester<br>(lower level beside cafeteria)                       |
| Child Development Practitioner Apprenticeship Program 620C (formerly known as Early Childhood Education)                                | Wednesday,<br>October 8, 2014  | 7:00 PM —<br>9:00 PM | Seneca College – King Campus<br>13990 Dufferin Street<br>King City, ON L7B 1B3<br>Room: Pod C (lower basement)   |
| Electrical<br>Level 1 App: Electrician:<br>Construction & Maintenance 309A  | Thursday,<br>October 9, 2014   | 7:00 PM –<br>9:00 PM | Humber College Centre for Trades and<br>Technology<br>110 Carrier Drive<br>Toronto, ON M9V 5R1<br>Room: Student Common Area  |
| General Carpenter 403A and<br>Floor Covering 448A<br>Level 1 App:   | Tuesday,<br>October 7, 2014    | 6:30 PM —<br>8:30 PM | Carpenters' Local Union 27 Joint Apprenticeship & Training Centre 222 Rowntree Dairy Road, Suite 2 Woodbridge, ON L4L 9T2 Entrance: Members' Meeting Hall (downstairs) |
| Plumbing<br>Level 1 App: Plumber 306A   | Thursday,<br>October 9, 2014   | 7:00 PM —<br>9:00 PM | Humber College Centre for Trades and<br>Technology<br>110 Carrier Drive<br>Toronto, ON M9V 5R1<br>Room: Student Common Area  |
| Refrigeration & Air<br>Conditioning Systems<br>Mechanic<br>Level 1 App: Refrigeration and Air<br>Conditioning Systems Mechanics<br>313A | Wednesday,<br>October 29, 2014 | 6:30 PM –<br>9:00 PM | George Brown College – Casa Loma<br>Campus<br>146 Kendal Avenue<br>Toronto, ON M5T 2T9<br>Room: E321 (Building E, Room 321)  |

Students in Grades 10 and 11 would also benefit from attending the Accelerated OYAP Open House Information sessions with their parents/guardians to become aware of the program options available for their pathways planning and upcoming course selections in February 2015.

For more information, please contact Mrs. Corneman, Head of Community Based Education at <a href="mailto:iacqueline.comman@vrdsb.ca">iacqueline.comman@vrdsb.ca</a>.

#### **Summer International Co-op Program 2015**

COSTA RICA, COSTA RICA, COSTA RICA!

YRDSB students who are interested in earning two credits while living in beautiful, bio-deiverse Costa Rica in July 2015 are invited to attend an upcoming information session.

| Date                        | Time     | Location                        |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Wednesday, November 5, 2014 | 7 – 9 PM | Sir William Mulock SS           |
| Tuesday, November 11, 2014  | 7 – 9 PM | Vaughan SS                      |
| Thursday, November 20, 2014 | 7 – 9 PM | Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS       |
| Monday, November 21, 2014   | 7 – 9 PM | Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre     |
|                             |          | for Learning                    |
| Monday, February 9, 2015    | 7 – 9 PM | Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre     |
|                             |          | for Learning (will only be held |
|                             |          | if spaces remain)               |

Students will live with a host family in a rural community to experience Costa Rican cultura first-hand.

For more information, visit www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Coop/ICE.

Applications can be downloaded from the website and are due by December 11, 2014.

If spaces remain after the deadline, applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Make Costa Rica your classroom in July 2015!

#### **Take Our Kids to Work**

On **Wednesday, November 5, 2014**, Grade 9 students across Canada will spend the day at work job shadowing a parent, relative, friend or volunteer host. At ECSS, we encourage ALL Grade 9 students to make connections with the workplace by participating in **Take Our Kids to Work**.

**Take Our Kids to Work**<sup>m</sup> is sponsored by the Learning Partnership, a non-profit organization of business people, educators and community leaders, and is supported by the York Region District School Board and Ministry of Education.

#### The program gives students a chance to:

- share a day with a significant adult and develop a closer relationship
- see a parent in a different role
- understand what people do to earn a living and support a family
- clarify goals for the future so they can choose the appropriate school courses

On October 14th, Grade 9 students will receive information packages about *Take Our Kids to Work* from one of their teachers. In the meantime, they can start looking for a suitable placement for the day!

For more information, visit <a href="http://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/TOKW">http://www.thelearningpartnership.ca/TOKW</a> .

# **ECSS Extracurricular Activities**

| Name of Activity                                | Teacher                         | Day                                      | Time          | Location         |
|---|---------------------------------|--|---------------|------------------|
|   |                                 |  |               |                  |
| Art Council                                     | Ms. Deo, Ms. Farrugia, Ms. Hess | Tuesday & Thursday                       | 2:30-4:00pm   | 207              |
|   | Ms. Farrugia, Ms. Korn, Ms.     |  |               |                  |
|   | Memme, Ms. Romano & Ms.         |  |               |                  |
| Character Matters                               | Marinelli                       | Tuesday                                  | 11:15-11:45am | 221              |
| ESP (Empowering Student                         |                                 |  |               |                  |
| Partnerships)                                   | Ms. Grigoropoulos & Ms. Smith   | Monday                                   | 11:00-11:30am | 248              |
| Gaming Club                                     | Ms. Ng                          | Friday                                   | 2:30-4:00pm   | 115              |
|   | Ms. Marsh, Ms. Abbotts & Ms.    |  |               |                  |
| Girls Basketball                                | Sansom                          | Monday-Friday                            | 2:45-4:00pm   | Big Gym          |
| Gr. 9 Repertoire (Band)                         | Mr. Eriksen                     | Tuesday                                  | 2:35-4:30pm   | 172              |
|   |                                 |  |               |                  |
|   |                                 | Practices: Monday, Wednesday & Friday    |               | _                |
| Junior Bo <del>ys</del> Volle <del>y</del> ball | Ms. Potosky & Mr. Ho            | Games: tend to be Tuesday & Thursday     | 2:40-4:15pm   | Gym              |
|   |                                 | Various days organized by peer Tutor and |               |                  |
| Peer Tutoring                                   | Ms. Ventrice & Ms. Patrick      | Tutee                                    | 2:25-3:00pm   | Library-130      |
| Senior Boys Volleyball                          | Mr. Hope                        | Monday-Friday                            | 2:35-4:00pm   | Small Gym        |
| Sidewinder Jazz Band                            | Mr. Eriksen                     | Wednesday                                | 2:35-4:30pm   | 170              |
| String Band                                     | Mr. Eriksen                     | Friday                                   | 2:35-3:20pm   | 172              |
| Student Council                                 | Mr. Patterson                   | Wednesday                                | 2:35-4:00pm   | 106              |
|   |                                 |  |               |                  |
|   | Mr. Rybak, Ms. Cozzupoli, Mr.   |  |               |                  |
| Swim Team                                       | Margolese & Ms. Valente         | Monday & Thursday                        | 3:00-4:00pm   | Al Palladini's   |
| The Brew Jazz Combo                             | Mr. Eriksen                     | Monday                                   | 2:35-4:30pm   | 170              |
| The Christian Fellowship                        | Ms. Ma <del>rs</del> h          | TBD                                      | TBD           | 118              |
|   |                                 |  |               |                  |
|   | Mr. Rybak, Ms. Patrick, Ms.     |  |               |                  |
|   | Valente, Ms. Tse, Mr. Paolino,  |  |               |                  |
|   | Mr. Paiuk, Ms. Moledina, Mr.    |  |               |                  |
| Weight Room                                     | Punia & Mr. Oh                  | Monday-Friday                            | 2:45-4:15pm   | Weight Room- 121 |

10/20/2014

# COMMUNITY YOUTH GANG SEMINAR



When: Sunday, November 16, 2014

12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Newmarket Theatre

505 Pickering Cr., Newmarket

We invite all community members to join us for a Community Youth Gang Seminar featuring presentations from psychotherapist Randy Ketterling and the York Regional Police Guns and Gangs Prevention Unit, Guns and Gangs Enforcement Unit and Drugs and Vice Unit.

#### Topics will include:

- · Signs and identifiers of gang involvement
- The prevalance of gangs
- The operation of gangs
- The community's role in gang prevention
- Tips to help keep youth out of gangs

For more information contact Constable Paul Strong at 1555@yrp.ca or 1-866-876-5423 ext. 2815.