

DATES AT A GLANCE

Oct. 17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
Oct. 18 - 22	Day/Week 02 Schedule
Oct. 18	School Council Meeting at 7 pm
Oct. 19 - 20	Academic Awards Celebrations
Oct. 22	Interim Marks Distributed
Oct. 22	PIN Distribution to GAPPS accounts
Oct. 25 - 29	Day/Week 01 Schedule
Oct. 26 Virtual Fair 5-7:00 pm	Ontario Universities' Fair
Oct. 27	Accelerated OYAP and Apprenticeship Information Night
Oct. 31	Halloween
Nov. 1 - 4	Day/Week 02 Schedule
Nov. 3	Interview Night 'Take Our Kids to Work' Day

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

We hope ECSS students used the opportunity today to work on asynchronous material in their classes as well as catch up on work. Our staff today engaged in professional learning focussed on the hybrid model. They examined effective teaching practices, met and collaborated with colleagues and participated in virtual webinars provided by Board consultants.

INTERVIEW NIGHT - BOOKING INFORMATION - TEACHASSIST

Interview Night is on **Wednesday, November 3, 2021**. ECSS will be using teachassist to manage our Interview Night scheduling. Families will be able to make appointments beginning on October 25.

INTERVIEW NIGHT 2021 - IMPORTANT TIMELINES	
Friday, October 25	TeachAssist Interview Night scheduler opens to families:
October 25 - 29	Families make Interview Night appointments on TeachAssist
November 1	Confirmation emails sent to families by teachers with Google Meet links for the interview.
November 3	Interview Night, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK: ('Updo Competition' in Ms. Cozzupoli's grade 10,11,12 classes)



ACADEMIC AWARDS CELEBRATIONS - OCTOBER 19 & 20, 2021

It's time to celebrate all our accomplishments from 2020-2021. We are so proud of our students who have shown such resiliency, determination and hard work as they overcame challenges during a global pandemic. Next week, students who are receiving an award, will find in their gapps account an invitation to the Academic Awards Celebrations. The Celebrations will occur on October 19 & 20, 2021 in the large gym during lunch and students will be cohorted in order to support COVID-19 guidelines. More detailed information about procedures will be provided in the Academic Awards Celebrations Invitation.



Nov. 4 - Nov. 8	Diwali	LAST YEAR'S YEARBOOK - 2020-2021 We are happy to inform you that we will be distributing 2020-2021 Yearbooks in the next couple of weeks. Currently we are working on the distribution/pick-up process to ensure COVID-19 guidelines are followed. We will update you as soon as we have more details.
Nov. 8 - Nov. 12	Day/Week 1 Schedule	
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day	SCHOOL COUNCIL - SPECIAL POST-SECONDARY PLANNING SESSION - STUDENTS WELCOME Our next School Council meeting will be taking place on October 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Our meeting will feature Liz Henriques from George Brown college who will be discussing "How kids can position themselves after high school to be successful". Our Guidance team will also be at the meeting as well. You can access the meeting using this link . We encourage all students to attend the session, not just parents.
(SFD)*	Significant Faith Day	
<p>HELPFUL LINKS:</p> <p>ECSS Website</p> <p>YRDSB Website</p> <p>ECSS Twitter</p> <p>ECSS Calendar</p> <p>ECSS Instagram</p>		<p>MATH CONTESTS:</p> <p>Students in grades 9 – 12 are invited to write the University of Waterloo's Canadian Senior and Intermediate Mathematics Contests, written in person at ECSS on November 17th. Please have your child join the google classroom (code 33lenal) for more information and resources to prepare for the contest.</p> <p>Interested students must register through school cash online by Sunday October 24th. Note: There will be more contests in the spring! If you have any questions please contact alyson.guyatt@yrdsb.ca</p> <p>HEALTH AND SAFETY REMINDERS:</p> <p>We ask that families regularly review the following reminders with your child(ren):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Masks must be worn that cover students mouth and nose at all times - use provided hand sanitizers entering/leaving classrooms and ECSS - maintain physical distancing requirements <p>Students and visitors need to use the COVID-19 School and Child-Care Screening Tool (dated September 28, 2021) in their daily online self-assessment prior to entering the school.</p> <p>OSSLT:</p> <p>The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test which will be taking place twice this year. Grade 12s who are graduating are exempt from the test this year. All grade 11s and non-graduating grade 12s will be writing the test this Fall (date to be finalized). All eligible grade 10s will write the test in the Spring. We will share additional information as it becomes available. If you would like to review additional information and resources, including a practice test, you may access the following link: Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test.</p> <p>TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK DAY (TOKW):</p> <p>"Take Our Kids to Work" (TOKW) is a national initiative that provides grade 9 students with the opportunity to observe a work environment or engage in pathways planning for one day. This year, TOKW Day is on November 3, 2021. On this date, grade 9 students can participate in either a virtual/in-person job shadow opportunity or virtual activities planned by the YRDSB Pathways Team, Curriculum and Instructional Services and The Learning Partnership. Parents of grade 9 students will receive an email early next week with additional information regarding this event.</p>
<p>SCHOOL COUNCIL</p> <p>emily.carr.ss@sc.yrdsb.ca</p> <p>York Region Public Health</p> <p>Tips For Speaking With Your Child - COVID-19</p> <p>Mental Health Supports</p> <p>School Mental Health Ontario</p> <p>ATTENDANCE email:</p> <p>emilycarrss.attendance@yrdsb.ca</p> <p>SCHOOL email:</p> <p>emily.carr.ss@yrdsb.ca</p>		



GUIDANCE UPDATES:

Potential Graduates can now apply to the Ontario College Application Service (OCAS).

Students can reference the *College Application Guide* found under the topic "How to Apply to Ontario College Programs" found in their 2021/2022 ECSS Potential Graduate Google Classroom. Details on in-person (October 22nd) and remote drop-in (October 26th) sessions have also been shared. Students can also schedule a guidance appointment for individual support.

Potential Graduates applying to the Ontario University Application Centre (OUAC) will receive their Personalized Identification Number (PIN) on Friday, October 22nd to their GAPPS account. Students are encouraged to reference the *University Application Guide* found under the topic "How to Apply to an Ontario University" found in their 2021/2022 ECSS Potential Graduate Google Classroom. Details on in-person (October 25th) and remote drop-in (October 27th) sessions have also been shared. Students can also schedule a guidance appointment for individual support.

Accelerated OYAP and Apprenticeship Information Night is taking place on Wednesday, October 27th at 7:00 pm. Please view the [hyperlink](#) for information and registration details.

Ontario Colleges are hosting *College Mondays* where students can sign up for panel presentations from various colleges. Check out this [hyperlink](#) to view details and register. Universities are holding individual in-person and tours. Check out this [hyperlink](#) to view details and register.

Our **Peer Assisted Learning Support program (P.A.L.S.)** will be starting up the week of October 18th for in-person AND remote learners. Students interested in being a tutor, or are looking to be tutored, can complete the application form found in the Guidance Office, the Student Success/Resources room (room 102), and in MyPathwayPlanner under the heading "Resources". Completed forms can be dropped off the Guidance Office or emailed directly to the student's Guidance Counsellor.