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From the Office

January 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope that your children are all rested and ready to learn! With the new year upon us, it is a good time to set some goals. These may include working on study habits, using the agenda regularly or reading every night at home. Learning Skills and Work Habits are an important indicator of immediate and future academic success.

We would like to encourage punctuality and regular attendance. In order for students to fully benefit from the instructional day, they need to be at school and on time. Your support in ensuring this is critical to your child's learning. Remember that all absences and lates need to be reported through the Safe Arrival system by either calling the toll free number at 1 (855) 203-2994, logging into the website <u>yorkrdsb.schoolconnects.com</u> or by downloading the app. Students must report to the office if they are late or signing into the school. Thank you for helping us to ensure all students are safe.

Winter has brought us the cold weather. Please send your children to school with appropriate clothing to play outside at recess. Children are at their best when they are well rested and getting regular exercise. This includes being outside at recess playing, running and having fun.

The School Council had a great turn out for their Yoga Night and Reading in the Library Night. Many thanks to all who supported this amazing event and to our parents who organized and presented and taught at this night. There are exciting activities for our students and families coming up in the next few months that will be sponsored by the School Council. More information will be coming.

Many school teams will be starting up in the new year and our CarneGlee Club and Student Council will continue. Also, the annual Dance-a-thon is being planned along with Math Nights for parents and students.

We would like to extend a special thank you to all of our students, staff and parents for a wonderful 2016! We had many demonstrations of our Future Aces Spirit as illustrated by our involvement in the Clothing, Toy and Food Drive. Our CarneGlee Club performed at the International Quest Education Conference, CTV Toy Mountain Event and also for the senior residents of Richview Manor and our sports teams have all moved onto the Area finals, practicing Future Ace Sportsmanship.

Way to go Herbert H. Carnegie Public School!

Mrs. MacRae Mrs. Frank
Principal Vice-Principal

Principal

Mrs. Sheila MacRae

Vice-Principal Mrs. Joanne Frank

Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Tod Dungey (906) 764-6830 **Trustee**

Mrs. Linda Aversa (647) 462-0921

Bingo Night SAVE the DATE

February 23rd



More details to follow...

School Council Meeting

7:00-9:00 p.m. in the school library.

All are welcome to join and participate.

School Council Meeting Dates

- * Thursday, Feb. 2, 2017
- * Thursday, March 2, 2017
- Thursday, April 6, 2017
- Thursday, May 4, 2017
- Thursday, June 1, 2017



Birthday Celebrations

Please be reminded that in order to ensure the safety of all our students and to support our Healthy Schools initiatives, parents/guardians are asked not to send to school food to share to celebrate your child's birthday. Birthdays will be announced on our P.A. system and students will be given a ribbon to recognize their special day.

York Region Public Health and Immunization

If parents/guardians or students receive a letter from York Region Public Health requesting immunization information, here's what to do:

Update York Region Public Health on your child's immunization status in one of the following ways:

Online at https://eimmunization.york.ca

- Fax documents to 905-895-6066 or 1-866-258-2026
- Mail immunization information to Immunization Services, Box 147, Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

Call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 73456



Many of you have noticed the beautiful planter located just outside our front doors. We would like to thank Mrs. L. Wright for her very generous donation to the school! Thank you!!!

Important Dates

January

11 — Grade 7 Immunizations

12 - School Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

20 — P.A. Day (no school)

20 — Kindergarten Registration Begins

20 — French Immersion Registration Begins

24 — Junior Co-Ed Volleyball Area Qualifiers

26 — Drama performance of "Outside" (grade 6-8)

27 - School Council Cookie Sales

February

1 — Global Play Day

2 — School Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

3 — P.A. Day (no school)

6 — Field Trip to Queen's Park (grade 5's)

7 — Le Chef à l'école (grade 7's)

10 — French Immersion Registration Ends

13 — Dance-a-Thon

15 — Term 1 Report Cards sent home

16 — French Day

17 — Field Trip to Ontario Science Centre (grade 8's)

17 - Field Trip to McMichael Art Gallery (JK/SK's)

17 — Junior Future Aces Assembly

20 - Family Day (no school)

20 — Junior Choir & Glee Club at the Marlies Game

23 — Primary Future Aces Assembly

23 — Bingo Night

24 — Intermediate Future Aces Assembly

24 — Field Trip to McMichael Art Gallery (JK/SK's)

28 — Field Trip to McMichael Art Gallery (JK/SK's)

Dance-a-thon

The Dance-a-thon is coming up on the 13th of February. If you have any prizes to donate, please drop them off at the office.

Hot Lunches - 2nd Term

New this term: All orders will be done ONLINE.

No order forms will be sent home.



MR.SUB



Payments to be made through School Cash Online by **January 25th**.

Inclement Weather / Bus Cancellations

If conditions of the roads force cancellation of school bus service, parents are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM 640 AM 680 AM 860 AM 1010 AM 1050 AM 1540 AM 1580 AM

88.5 FM 89.9 FM 92.5 FM 93.1 FM 94.9 FM 95.9 FM 97.3 FM 98.1 FM 99.1 FM 99.9 FM 101.1 FM 102.1 FM

104.5 FM 100.7 FM 107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV CFTO Barrie CFTO TV GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at www.schoolbuscity.com and by calling 1-877-330-3001.

Parents have the right to keep their children at home in severe weather conditions. The school will remain open for parents that wish to drive their children. Please remember that if you drive in the morning, you will have to make arrangements for your children to be picked up at 2:35 p.m. If the buses are cancelled in the morning, they will also be cancelled in the afternoon.

Cold Weather is Here!



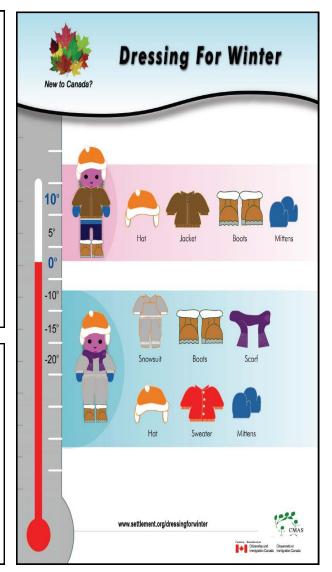
A reminder that ALL students are expected to go outside for recess. Please ensure that your children are dressed appropriately for Canadian winter. If your child is

not well enough to be out at recess, they are too ill to be at school. A change of clothes would be helpful for primary children should they get wet during the day. Please make sure all items are labeled with your child's name. Our "Lost and Found" bin gets filled up quickly and belongings often go unclaimed. Please make sure your child has a pair of indoor shoes for school.

LABEL your CHILD'S CLOTHES PLEASE!

Important Information About Concussions

Please inform the office immediately if your child has been diagnosed with a concussion. Office staff will provide you with a form that MUST be completed by a doctor before the student may return to school. Accommodations will be made for the student until the doctor has authorized a full return to regular activities.



Kindergarten Registration



Kindergarten registration will commence on January 20, 2017 for the 2017-18 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.

French Immersion Information Sessions and Registrations

French Immersion Information Nights will take place at all French Immersion school locations offering a Grade 1 program on January 19, 2017 at 7 p.m. (http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/fi/Pages/Program-Locations.aspx) to find the FI program location for your elementary school location. 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 to the designated FI program location to register between January 20 and February 10, 2017. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.

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.

Baythorn Arts Program

If you have a child who is currently in grades 4 or 5 and may be interested in applying to the Arts Program at Baythorn PS, please see visit this link: http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/baythorn.ps/arts/Pages/default.aspx
There will be an information session on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 7pm (at Baythorn PS). Application will be available at bit.ly/arts_application2017 online after the January 19th information night. If you require further information, please call Baythorn PS at 905-889-7992.

A Message From Our Trustee-Linda Aversa

As we near the end of 2016, I hope everyone has had a great school year so far and found opportunities to get involved with the life of the school.

It is wonderful to have opportunities to see not only what our students are learning, but to see how they are learning – collaborating and problem solving, using technology in exciting new ways, and engaged in hands-on activities.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated staff members, students, families and community members across our Board. Thanks to all of the great people we have in our system, we continue to advance student achievement and well-being.

Our Board continues to have a strong commitment to creating welcoming, inclusive learning environments that enable all of our students to thrive. Engaging families in your child's education and the school community is in an important part of creating that environment.

There are resources for families available on our Board website at www.yrdsb.ca/parents, including information on Board programs and supports, and tips for parents to support your child's learning at home and at school.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful start to 2017. I hope you are able to enjoy time with family and friends.