It seems as though this school year has just begun and yet, once again, we find ourselves at the end. How quickly time flies!

Thank you for supporting your child’s education by being involved. Working together makes a big difference in the success of your child. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the students, staff, volunteers and parents for their many contributions this year. We look forward to thanking many of you personally on the morning of June 12th at our volunteer breakfast, and are hopeful that many of our school volunteers will be able to join us that day. The support, encouragement and efforts of all individuals have provided the students with excellent learning opportunities and the students have met the challenges. Students have excelled in many areas, both within the school and beyond, and we are very proud of them.

Our School Council has worked diligently all year to support our school goals and to ensure the success of school events. They have been successful in raising funds to support our school, as well as raising spirits and ensuring a strong school community. Thank you for always keeping the students at the heart of your decisions! I would like to extend a special thank you to Micah Neale, who is completing his term as HLPS School Council President.

Report Cards will come home on Wednesday, June 25th. Please be sure to sign and return the tear-off portion of the Report Card with your child on the last day of school, Thursday, June 26th. Parents are reminded that there will be an early dismissal (12:00 p.m.) for students on the 26th. Arrangements have been made with bus transportation for those students who normally take the bus. Parents whose children attend after school care should make appropriate arrangements to address this change in schedule.

Mr. Biemiller

Yearbook Available to Order Soon!

Keep watch for yearbook order forms that will be coming home soon! This year, every child will be included. The yearbook will have 40 pages of colour photos and it will be professionally bound. The cost will be $17.00 to $18.00, depending on how many students order. Orders will be due in the second week of June and must be pre-paid.

Math Tip—Home is Where the Math Is.

Tips for Kindergarten to Grade 3

1. Use everyday activities. Your child’s world is filled with everyday math problems that can be solved. For example, “There are four people in our family and we each need a knife and a fork to eat dinner. How many knives and forks do we need to set the table?”

2. Kitchens can be math zones. Bake some muffins or cookies and ask your child to help you measure out the ingredients. It may be a bit messy but it’s fun family time and there’s nothing like a fresh cookie as a reward. Have math fridge magnets available so children can start making number patterns and doing simple math problems.

Tips for Grade 4–6

1. Perform time calculations. For example, make up a sentence and ask your child to recite it as many times as possible in 15 seconds. Then ask how many times it could be repeated in 1 minute, 5 minutes, 10 minutes, etc.

Taken from: http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/abc123/eng/tips/math4to6.html
Character Matters

Our Character Trait for the Month of June is **Perseverance.**

“We stick to a goal and work hard even in the face of obstacles and challenges. We complete all tasks and assignments.”

Character Poster

At our monthly Character Assemblies, we introduce our upcoming character trait for the month. To the right, you will find this month’s character poster so that you may speak with your child about perseverance. Please engage your child in talking about what perseverance means to them. At school, we have talked about the importance of persevering. Please ask you child how they can demonstrate perseverance at home.

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Early Dismissal in Elementary Schools

All schools in the York Region District School Board are committed to student success and well-being. On **Thursday, June 26th, 2014** an early release day will take place to allow elementary teachers and support staff to take part in staff 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 has been our practice over the past few years, students will attend school during the morning of Thursday, June 26th, 2014 only. Students will be dismissed early that day at **12:00 p.m.** Arrangements will be made to ensure that students who are normally bussed to and from school will receive transportation at this time. Parents whose children attend after school child care should make appropriate arrangements to address this change in schedule.

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Reminder

June 6th and June 27th are P.A. Days.
There will be no school on these days for students.

June 26th will be an Early Dismissal Day at 12:00 p.m.
Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run® is coming back to our school this fall! Girls on the Run is a program that recognizes that every girl is special, that every girl is strong, and that every girl is a winner! It involves running (or walking), and it also teaches girls about health, friendship, body image, self-esteem and community service. This fall, the program will expand to include Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The 20 lesson curriculum, runs twice a week after school, combines training for a 5k run/walk event on the last day of the program at the school with lessons that promote physical, emotional, and social development. At Girls on the Run, girls will learn about standing up to peer pressure, values, cooperation, healthy decisions, and more! The fall program dates at Holland Landing Public School are still to be determined.

All HLPS girls who will be in Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 in September of 2014 will be invited to attend a presentation before school ends and they will receive information cards. Online registration will soon be available.

Should the cost of the session of $139 be a concern, the town of East Gwillimbury has a youth initiative fund available. See the link below to apply.
http://www.eastgwillimbury.ca/Government/Council/Youth_and_Community_Initiatives_Fund.htm

For more information, and to register your child, please visit www.girlsontherun.ca, or contact: Dara Bailey, 289-221-2282, darabailey@live.ca

COME OUT & SUPPORT OUR GOTR TEAM ON JUNE 12TH!
After school on Thursday, June 12th, the girls in the current session of Girls on the Run will be doing their final 5K run. Come on out and cheer them on to the finish line!

Lost & Found

Our Lost & Found is overflowing! If your child has come home without a jacket, sweater, hoodie or other article of clothing or perhaps is missing a lunch bag or water bottle, please come and take a look. Anything that is not picked up by the end of June will be donated to a local charity.

Bus Information On-Line

A link is available from the school website which will provide parents with bussing information. Go to:
www.hollandlanding.ps.yrdsb.edu.on.ca.
From the school website, click on the button shown below. Parents are then linked to a transportation site where they are asked to enter their address and school. Once the submit button is clicked on, the parent is informed if they qualify for bus transportation for grades JK-3 and grades 4-8.

Important Bus Transportation Message

Re: Student Bussing Eligibility

Did you know that students’ bussing eligibility changes throughout their school career? Your son/daughter’s eligibility to ride the school bus may change according to their grade and distance from home to school. Below are the provisions for eligibility identified in the Board’s Transportation Policy #680:
- All YRDSB students in Grades JK-3 who live within 1.2 km of their school are not eligible for transportation
- All YRDSB students in Grades 4-8 who live within 1.6 km of their school are not eligible for transportation

To view Board Policy #680 Student Transportation, please visit www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca. For more information about bus transportation and to determine your son/daughter’s eligibility please visit www.schoolbuscity.com.
YRDSB School Climate Survey

The deadline to complete the survey for parents/guardians has been extended to June 6th. You can complete the survey:

- On paper. Paper copies are available through the school in English and 11 other languages.

The surveys provide the Board and our school with valuable information about how you feel about the school environment and your child’s education. The results will be used to identify areas that need to be addressed, monitor progress and plan strategies to support student achievement and well-being. We value parent input and encourage you to complete the survey. The information parents provide will be anonymous, considered confidential and kept in strict accordance with all relevant legislation. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Healthy Schools

YRDSB Bike to School Day is on Wheel Wednesday June 11th, 2014

To coincide with Bike Month (May 26 to June 26) in York Region and in other regions across Ontario, the York Region District School Board is promoting Bike to School Day or Wheel Wednesday. We are encouraging students, staff, parents and the community to bike or wheel to school on Wednesday, June 11th.

Thank you to all the HLPS families who made our “Got Wheels, Get a Helmet” Campaign (May 12th to 16th) such a huge success! We are happy to report that we had nearly 100% compliance!
ATTENTION PARENTS!

A NEW Magazine Sale is Coming Next Spring!

MAGAZINES AND MEMORIES!

Next spring we will have our annual Magazine Subscription Program (including more digital magazines!) and also an opportunity to purchase Personalized Photo Memory Products including: Photo Books, Labels, Cards, Calendars, Posters, Notepads and more!

Please help us by saving your Magazine orders and your personalized Photo purchases for our QSP Magazines and Memories Fundraising Program.

- **QSP** offers us great prices and product selection.
- **Our School** earns a profit, and the money raised goes towards programs and events that help to enrich our children’s lives at our school.
- **Our Children** - Magazines - Help improve literacy skills; any reading material, including magazines, encourages children to read, or they model your reading behavior. Photo Products - Capture memorable moments of your children with the personalized photo products available.

If you wish to order your magazines early or purchase any photo products you can go to [www.QSP.ca](http://www.QSP.ca) anytime and support our school. Please do not renew or purchase directly through the publishers as we will not receive profits from your purchases. Thank you.

**Use the QSP SEARCH feature using our school name to ensure our school gets the credit!**

Thank you in advance for your support of our children and our school!

If you have an inquiry please contact QSP Customer Service, 1-800-667-2536
Our Junior Gardeners enjoy learning about plants and nature.

Join us on June 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m to 7:30 p.m.

June – Making A Fairy Garden

Junior Gardeners meet on the third Tuesday of the month at the Mount Albert Community Centre, 53 Main Street, (February through June, September and October) 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.

Youth membership is $5.00 per year (Ages 6+)

For more information, please contact MAGHS Youth Leaders
   - Russ Burton, 905-830-2862, burtonruss@hotmail.com
   - Marie Nicolle, 905-473-5676

Mount Albert Garden & Horticultural Society
Summer Institute—Prince Charles P.S.

Prince Charles Summer Institute
~ Hosted at Stuart Scott P.S. ~

Ride the summer adventure with us!

During the literacy block, students are engaged in fun and enriching learning activities that address reading, writing, media and oral communication expectations from the Ministry of Education curriculum documents under the supervision of YRDSB Teachers and Administrators.

During the activity block, students are engaged in purposeful, intentional learning which is embedded within the following electives:

- Archery
- Basketball
- Dance Fit!
- Digital Photography
- Drums
- Field Invaders
- Fine Arts
- Glee
- Guitar Stars
- Math Wizards
- Model Building
- Mountain Biking
- Naturally Curious
- Passion for Pinterest
- Racquet Sports
- Ready, Set, Cook
- Road Hockey
- Rock Hounds
- Robotics
- Scrapbooking
- Stomp
- Tech World
- Tournament of Champions
- Video Filming
- Wacky Science World
- Wet & Wild Water Fun

Contact Information:
Prince Charles Public School
Phone: (905) 884-2046 ext. 240 (before June 30)
Phone: (905) 895-8461 (after June 30)
Email: prince.charles.si@yrdsb.ca

Cost for YRDSB students:
$100 to $115 per week

Weekly out trips for all students at no additional cost! Regular trips to the ROC for students in Skills 1 and 2.
Maple Leaf Summer Institute

Ride the summer adventure with us!

During the literacy block, students are engaged in fun and enriching learning activities that address reading, writing, media and oral communication expectations from the Ministry of Education curriculum documents under the supervision of YRDSB Teachers and Administrators.

During the activity block, students are engaged in purposeful, intentional learning which is embedded within the following electives:

- Archery
- Green Thumbs
- Inline Skating (outdoor)
- Lacrosse
- Mountain Biking
- Passion for Pinterest
- Ready, Set, Cook
- Rock Hounds
- SI’s Got Talent
- Skateboarding
- Spectacular Fun
- Tech World
- Visual Arts
- Wacky Science World
- Wet & Wild Water Fun

Contact Information:
Maple Leaf Public School
Phone: (905) 884-2046 ext. 240 (before June 30)
Phone: (905) 895-9681 (after June 30)
Email: maple.leaf.si@yrdsb.ca

Cost for YRDSB students:
$100 to $115 per week
# HLPS Highlights
## June 2014

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- **Intermediate Area Track & Field Meet**
- **GOTR After School**

### 2 (Day 2)
- **EQAO Testing Window**
- **GOTR After School**

### 3 (Day 3)
- Euro Panini Lunch
- **GOTR After Sch.**

### 4 (Day 4)
- **Talent Show Auditions**
- **GOTR After Sch.**

### 5 (Day 5)
- **Junior Area Track & Field Meet**
- **GOTR After Sch.**

### 6 (Day 6)
- **Liberty Village Lunch**
- **GOTR After Sch.**

### 7 (Day 7)
- **Liberty Village Lunch**
- **GOTR After Sch.**

### 8 (Day 8)
- **School Council Mtg at 7:00 p.m.**
- **GOTR After Sch.**

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**Have a Great Summer!**