

King City SS e-Newsletter



[2001 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1K2](#)

March 12, 2021

Interim Reporting

Our reports provide you information about your child's achievement throughout the second semester. Of note is that this reporting period reflects learning that has occurred in a modified learning environment as required by the provincial public health guidelines. As a result, the rate of progress described on this report may differ from previous years due to the ongoing impact of COVID-19 on student learning. We hope that this report will provide valuable feedback for your child while supporting conversations about learning at home.

Reports cards are part of the ongoing communication from our school to support student achievement and well-being. Distribution of your child's interim report card for the second semester will begin on March 12, 2021. These reports will be distributed using the same process used for Midterm and Interim Reports via student GAPPS accounts.

Another Gold Medal at Skills Ontario



Skills Ontario Paper Glider Competition
Championship Announcement Ceremony

Concours de planeur en papier de Compétences Ontario
Cérémonie d'annonce des gagnants du championnat

Our Paper Glider team won gold at the Provincial level in the Skills Ontario competition. Congratulations to our team on their hard work and achievement! It is great to see such an accomplishment during the pandemic.

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Extensions

Reception 150

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Guidance 106

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Online

[School website](#)

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[Harpal Panesar](#)

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Neil Gunathunge

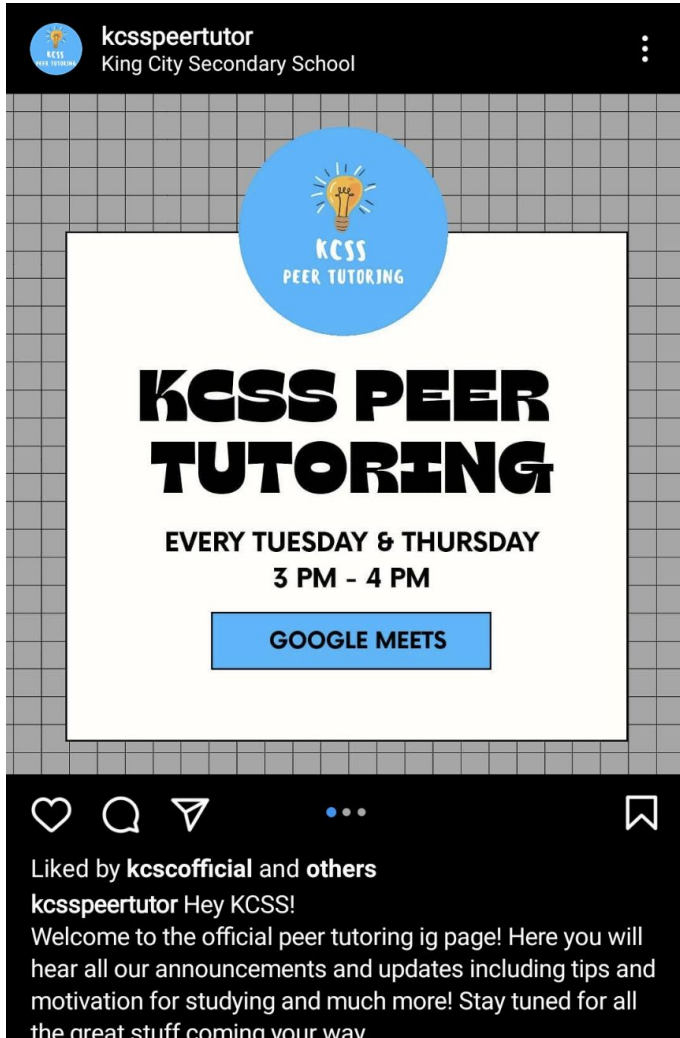
Trustee

Bob McRoberts



School News

KCSS Peer Tutors Are Now On Instagram!



KCSS's Peer Tutors now have an official instagram @kcspseertutor. Stay up to date on how to access this great support. Our tutors have made a big difference on the achievement of many students!

Virtual Teacher Interview Night

Teacher Interview Night will take place on Thursday, March 25th from 6:15 to 8:15 pm. Sign up will take place via [Edsby](#). Information was sent out to families yesterday. For more information, please check your email.

Important Dates

To view our entire school calendar online click [here](#).

Tuesday, March 16th

- ☐ Interim Report distribution ends

Wednesday, March 17th

- ☐ Last day to purchase cap & gowns

Monday, March 22th

- ☐ Virtual Guidance Visits to grade 11 classes

Tuesday, March 23th

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- ☐ Anti-Black Racism presentation

Wednesday, March 24th

- ☐ Feedback Day PM

Thursday, March 25th

- ☐ Rotation 4 begins
- ☐ Teacher Interview Night

Monday, April 12th

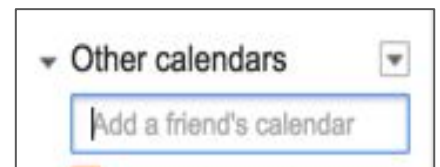
- ☐ Mid semester break begins

Friday, April 16th

- ☐ Mid semester break ends

Do you use Google Calendar?

Add our email address to add our calendar to your calendar, and never miss an event again!



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School News - reminder

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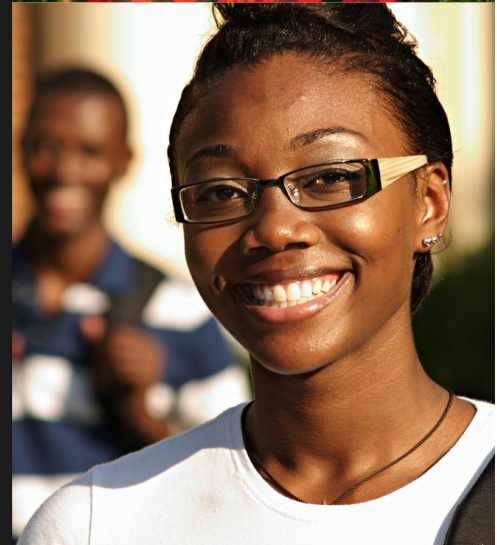
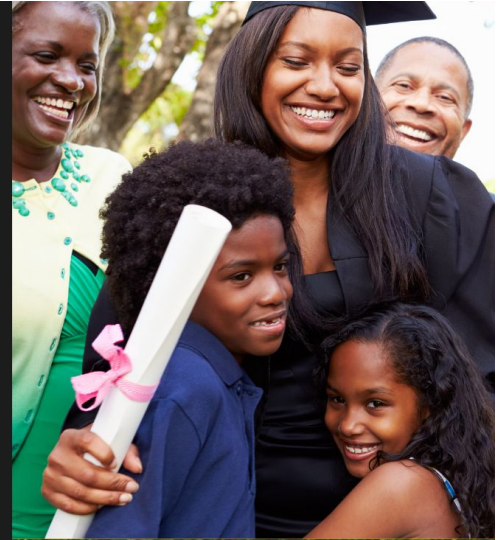
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 2021

The Newmarket African Caribbean Canadian Association is pleased to offer \$1000 scholarship to selected students in support of their post-secondary education. One student will receive the Iris Malcolm Memorial Award (\$2000). A total of ten students will be awarded for 2021.

Through our scholarship program, we recognize and celebrate students who are involved in building their community through volunteerism and leadership, and have demonstrated excellence in their academic pursuits.

**FOR FULL DETAILS, ELIGIBILITY &
APPLICATION PROCESS VISIT:**

**[naccacommunity.ca/2021-
scholarship-award](http://naccacommunity.ca/2021-scholarship-award)**





Nowruz 2021

For most of us, March 20th signifies the beginning of a new season, spring and a chance to look forward to warmer weather. For many of us from countries like Iran, Afghanistan, the Kurdish regions of Iraq, Turkey and Syria, throughout Central Asia and many more - The first day of spring is a New Year's Festivity, also known as Nowruz (pronounced NO-ruz). While specific traditions vary from country to country, as different cultures add their own elements, the central theme is the same: a celebration of spring and a time for rebirth and renewal.

In recognition of Nowruz, students and parents/guardians are invited to participate in free activities during the month of March which focus on aspects of Nowruz traditions celebrated by different communities.

On-Going Events for March

Student Virtual Talent Show

When: March 19th 5:30-7:00 pm
Where: Virtual TBA
Ages: Grade 1-12

Overview: Students within our board can get an opportunity to celebrate Nowruz by showcasing their talents on a virtual platform. This event will be open to anyone who would be interested in attending.

At this stage, we are hoping to gather students Grade 1-12 who celebrate Nowruz that may be interested in showcasing their talent.

It would be for 5-10 minutes and can be individual or a group. Talents can include anything, however these are just some suggestions:

- Playing an instrument
- Poetry/Spoken word
- Singing
- Acting
- Any type of visual art

Following [Registration](#) of the Virtual Talent Show a consent form will be provided and will need to be completed in order for the student to participate.

Poster Competition

When: March 1st - March 19th – Winner announced
March 19th 2021 at Virtual Talent Show
Where: Virtual TBA
Ages: Grade 1-12

Overview: What does the first day of spring mean to you? For those who celebrate Nowruz, the first day of spring is the start of a new year and new beginnings.

We are encouraging all students who celebrate Nowruz to create a poster that illustrates any of the following:

- How do you and your family celebrate Nowruz?
- What does Nowruz mean to you?
- What do you hope for the upcoming New Year?

Get Creative! Posters can be made in any format the student is comfortable with (digital, paint, canvas, etc.)

A photo of the poster can be sent to maryam.jafari@yrdsb.ca along with the student's name, school, grade and contact information. A consent form will be provided following poster submission.

Winner will receive a \$25.00 Gift Card!

Family Virtual Workshops for March

Family Virtual Workshop Registration

Families (students and parents/guardians) can [sign up](#) for the free workshops and a Zoom link will be provided prior to the event.

Egg Decorating

When: Thursday, March 11th 2021 5:30-6:30pm
Where: Zoom link will be sent prior to event date
Ages: Grade 1-12
Materials Required: Eggs, markers [optional: stickers, paint]

Overview: A workshop designed to provide an opportunity for YRDSB families to learn more about the traditions of the Iranian community around Nowruz. Every household that celebrates Nowruz sets up a table with seven different items (known as the Haftseen) that bring specific luck to the family. Eggs represent fertility in hopes of new additions to the family. Every one of all ages gather and decorate the eggs before placing them on the Haftseen table. During this workshop, families will have the opportunity to decorate their eggs inspired by ideas from members of the community.

Haftseen it Your Way

When: Thursday, March 18th 2021 5:30-6:30pm

Where: Zoom link will be sent prior to event date

Ages: Grade 1-12

Overview: A workshop designed to provide an opportunity for YRDSB families to learn more about the traditions of the Iranian community around Nowruz. For Nowruz, the community sets up their own table with seven items that begin with the letter S. Each item represents an item that will bring good luck to the family in the New Year. In this workshop, families will get creative and pick another letter and set up a new table with items beginning with the chosen letter and share what each item represents or means to them personally.

Esme Famil (Traditional Iranian Game)

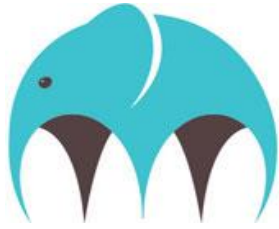
When: Thursday, March 25th 2021 5:30-6:30pm

Where: Zoom link will be sent prior to event date

Ages: Grade 1-12

Overview: A workshop designed to provide an opportunity for YRDSB families to learn more about the traditions of the Iranian community around Nowruz. This friendly online game is played among the Iranian community. It's competitive but fun! Similar to other religious and cultural celebrations, during Nowruz, families get together and celebrate the New Year by eating delicious food, giving gifts, and playing games at gatherings. With this traditional Iranian game, families will have the opportunity to play with members of the community and learn about different cultures and traditions.

For more information about the events and workshops please contact Marjan Afzaly at marjan.afzaly@yrdsb.ca



Parents for Children's Mental Health

SUPPORT. EDUCATE. EMPOWER.

Monday, March 22, 2021 6:30 pm - 8 pm

Panel Discussion and Q&A: COVID's impact on Mood Disorders including depression.

PARENTS' Support Group-All are welcome!

VIRTUAL MEETING

Does your child's anxiety, ADHD, mood disorders, learning disability, or behaviour challenges make parenting difficult? Join us...

PCMH Chapter Support is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Aurora/York PCMH Meeting

Time: Mar 22, 2021 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91372172338?pwd=N0hkWkVLaZRMytHakpRTIFGa1ZEZz09>

Meeting ID: 913 7217 2338

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Benefits of PCMH Support Group:

- meet other parents with children who have similar challenges
 - find encouragement and emotional support
- learn strategies to help your child or youth at home/school
 - learn how to access resources in the community

PCMH is the only provincial, family-led, non-profit organization that provides a voice for families who face the challenges of child and youth mental health issues. PCMH provides support, education, and linkage between families, communities, agencies and government. PCMH believes in the promotion of family-centred principles of care. PCMH envisions a future in which children and youth with mental illness enjoy a high quality of life in welcoming and supportive communities. For more information and resources, please visit www.pcmh.ca.

Next Meetings: Monday, April 19 Topic Bullying at 6:30 pm – 8 pm.

Monday, May 10th Topic Community Resources 6:30 – 8 pm.

Monday, June 21st Building Healthy Relationships 6:30 – 8 pm

We're hiring for summer jobs!



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