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DISTRICT SCHOOL

News Bulletin: December 16-20

Administration

A Message from your Administrators

Dear Langstaff Families and Community Members,

Principal: Sheri Epstein

Vice-Principal: Janice Bordonali

Vice-Principal: Marianne C. Hamilton

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Important Dates:

Holiday Day Food Drive November 27-December 18

December 16 11:00am COOP Fair

December 17 3:30 pm Basketball Game @ St. Augustine

December 18 Credit Consolidation Day Field Trip-Hillcrest Mall 3:30pm Basketball Game @ Hodan Nalayeh

December 19 Field Trip—Toronto Holocaust Museum This is it – the end of the school year for 2024 and just a few weeks away from 2025. I am always amazed at how time goes by so slowly and so quickly at the same time. It feels like it was just the start of the school year in September and at the same time so much has happened at LSS since that first day.

The students and staff are really looking forward to the final week of school before the holiday break. Student Council has planned an excellent spirit week and we are all looking forward to participating in the following dress up days: "Groutfit Day", "Everything but a Backpack Day", "Western Wednesday", "Mismatch Day" and "Pyjama Day" to end off the week.

As well, we are very proud of all the work that the Red Cross Club did to collect non-perishable food items for people in York Region who are experiencing some financial difficulties this holiday season. Thank you to everyone who donated to this very worthwhile cause.

We are also incredibly proud of our Arts Department. Next week both our visual arts and our music students will be entertaining the school with lunchtime performances.

We had an amazing field trip when our ESL classes took our English language learners and Global Bears downtown to Ripley's Aquarium of Canada to enjoy one of Toronto's great tourist destinations.

Thank you to all the staff and students who put countless hours into planning events for the entire school to enjoy and to the parents/guardians who are supporting these events by encouraging their children to take part in something while in school, and having to do all the drop-offs and pick-ups.

As we head into Winter Break, a time when students and staff are celebrating with family and friends, we hope everyone will take the time to recharge, relax and enjoy each other's company so that we return in January well rested and ready to finish one semester and prepare for a new one.





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Chag Chanukah Sameach! Merry Christmas! Happy Kwanzaa! Happy Pancha Ganapati! Blessed Bodhi Day! Feliz Navidad! Happy Winter Solstice!

And Happy New Year!

Stay safe and we will see you all back rested in 2025!

Ms. Sheri Epstein Principal





Attendance Reminder

Parents/Guardians are reminded to report all late or absent notices to the Attendance Office AS SOON AS POSSIBLE by calling: 905-889-6266 ext.: 1

OR

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email: langstaff.ss.attendance@yrdsb.ca Please note we do not use EDSBY for attendance.

Yearbook

2024-2025 Yearbooks are on sale now on School Cash online for \$35.00. Prices will increase January 1st to \$40.00. Any questions or concerns can be directed to: <u>mary.crognale@yrdsb.ca</u>

Activity Fee

The Student Activity Fee is very important as it allows us to make Langstaff SS a great place in which to learn and grow. The funds are used throughout the year and allow our school to provide informative assemblies, guest speakers, special events, open houses, school dances and other spirit activities. All of these events provide our students with an enriched education and help to build our wonderful school community.

Start Up Packages

Please return important forms that were given to students at the beginning of the school year. There is a green Permission Form regarding school board policies. A blue form which gives the school consent for student's pictures to be taken, have their picture in the yearbook and Social Media.

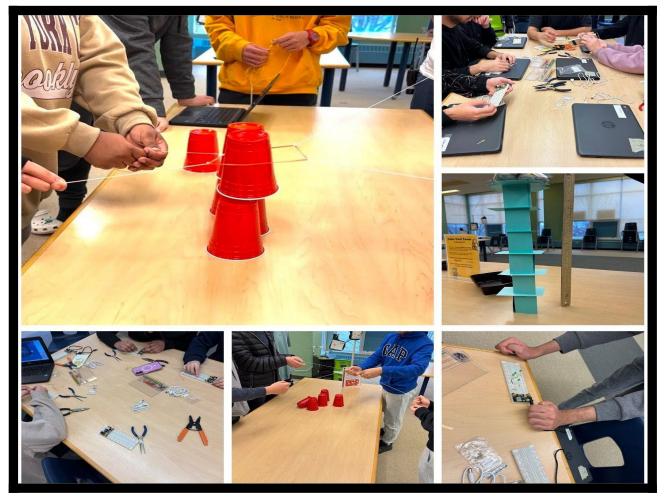
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Maker Fair

Back by Popular Demand!

On Wednesday, December 4, the Library Learning Commons, in collaboration the Technology Studies department, proudly hosted our second LSS Maker Fair Day! Students in Grade 9 Science and Communications Technology classes had the opportunity to explore and engage in hands-on activities, including tech-based and non-tech team-building games. Through these experiences students collaborated to use their creativity and problem-solving skills as well as their technical knowledge.

Thank you to our student volunteers who helped facilitate the activities throughout the day! Congratulations to the winners of the cup-stacking and tower-building challenges!

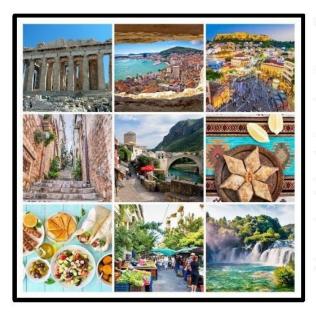


Making a circuit with a breadboard, Green Screen Photos, Cup Stacking and Index Tower Challenges.

Planning has already begun or our next Maker Fair in semester 2, stay tuned for update!

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Have you heard the news?? LSS is going to Europe in 2025!! May 1 – May 10



This is a fantastic opportunity to broaden your horizons, meet new friends and create unforgettable memories.

Click on the link to register for the Greece-Croatia 2025 trip!

Don't wait – sign up now! Only 5 spots left! ALL grades are invited to join! Get ready for an adventure of a lifetime!

For more information please email: <u>sharon.romero@yrdsb.ca</u>

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COST: \$16 PER DOZEN WHERE TO ORDER: SCHOOL CASH ONLINE DELIVERY: FEB 5TH

FUNDING EQUIPMENT

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Accessing Your Guidance Team

YOUR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

Support and promote students' well-being and continuous growth in three areas: personal (student) development, interpersonal development, and career development in order to help them develop resilience and realize their potential (success) as individuals and as valuable members of society.

WELCOME

GUIDANCE

TO

-Ontario School Counsellors' Association

Contact Information: Please note the Guidance Counselors below

Ms. A. Ventrice, angela.ventrice@yrdsb.ca Alpha A-M Ms. A. Sitt alice.sitt@yrdsb.ca Alpha N-Z

Mrs. L. Rico, Guidance Secretary lina.rico@yrdsb.ca





Stay Connected and in the "Loop": Continue to stay up to date by following us on Instagram and LSS Guidance & Success Google Classroom.

Instagram: @lssguidance Google Classroom: <u>https://classroom.google.com/c/NjcxOTQwNzYzNDFa?cjc=4rjwryf</u>

Guidance Appointments can be made in person by coming to guidance. There is a red binder on a standing desk in the Guidance Office. Students can book with their respective counsellor, by alpha last name. The appointments are made available every Monday morning for the week.



Board News

Understanding and Navigating the Education System



presented by THE CENTRE FOR BLACK STUDENT EXCELLENCE

Families of YRDSB Black Students Monthly Information Session

Monday, December 16, 2024 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Families, parents, caregivers, please join us for our monthly virtual meeting where families with Black children come together to learn about resources and upcoming programs for Black students in both elementary and secondary schools.

Agenda:

- Presentation Ways to support our children
- Upcoming Programs and events
- Question and answer session

Please register ASAP. A Zoom meeting link will be sent after registration.

Let us come together to empower our students and build a stronger community.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Register now.

If you require further information, please contact BlackStudentExcellence@yrdsb.ca



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19th Annual



OUR GOAL: To create a forum for students to get together, perform, compete, share and grow from and with each other.

> Open to Step Teams & Dance Troupes from Grades 6 to 12

Levels of Competition: Intermediate and Senior Divisions

The competition encourages student choreography

Suggested music selections: Hip Hop, Pop, R&B, Soul, South Asian, Latin, Soca and Reggae styles

Venue: Langstaff Secondary School Address: 106 Garden Ave,

DATE: Friday May 23, 2025

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SCHOOL BOARD

Richmond Hill, ON

Time: 10:00am - 2:00pm

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Registration Deadline: April 3, 2025

Payment Deadline: March 1, 2025 (to secure your spot)

For more registration information, please contact Charlene Miller (Beckett Farm P.S.) charlene.miller@yrdsb.ca

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YRDSB ARTS CAMP

Join us for an immersive program in visual, studio, and performance arts. Explore your identity through creative expression, supported risk-taking, and collaboration with peers and staff. Fosters self-confidence, individuality, and the discovery of new talents.

Memories that last a

Students, Educators, Community Artists 0 G



2025







Applications open Fri. Dec 13 - Fri. Feb. 7

- 𝗿 Campers(gr. 7-12)
- Counsellors-In-Training (gr. 9-11)
- Counsellors (gr. 11 & 12)

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO APPLY, VISIT: bit.ly/YRDSBac25info





Questions? Email: O Find arts.camp@yrdsb.ca O @YI

Find us on Instagram @YRDSBArtsCamp



REGISTER TO RING

Help us help others by volunteering to raise money for those who need it most



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