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November 17, 2017

To the families of «First_Name» «Last_Name»,

On Monday, November 20th, MADD Canada – one of our community partners - will be presenting to our student body on the dangers of driving/operating a vehicle while under the influence. The intention of the presentation is to bring an awareness of such perils and decision-making and options available to youth. It aligns with curriculum found in the Social Studies, Guidance, as well as Health and Physical Education. This presentation is offered to all students and will be happening periods one and two. Do not hesitate to contact the Administration should you have any questions.

As always, if you ever have questions or concerns, we are here to help and support as your partners in education.

S. Borrell, C. Albanese, T. Paul

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

What's Happening:

November 20, 2017	Leadership Meeting MADD Assemblies Anti-bias Work in Schools (Equity Speaker Series)
November 21, 2017	National Aboriginal Day (Yukon)
November 22, 2017	Canadian Math Contest
November 23, 2017	Romeo & Juliet Field Trip (John Bassett Theatre) Semi-Formal Career Fair & Langstaff S.S.
November 24, 2017	P.A. Day Global Bears Christmas Market Mid-Term marks due to OCAS

Looking Ahead:

November 27, 2017	
November 28, 2017	
November 29, 2017	Physical Education Field Trip – Skyzone Vaughan & Vaughan Mills
November 30, 2017	
December 1, 2017	

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE:

Our next school council event is scheduled for Monday, November 20, 2017. The focus of the evening will be the launch of our **Equity in Education Speaker Series**. Please see the attached poster for more information.



EQUITY Speaker
Series Flyer 2017-201

WHAT'S FUN AND EXCITING IN GUIDANCE?!

Ms. Chidiac is proud to announce that LSS has had its second successful year in planning inclusive and team building activities for our International Students. **Global Bears** is a peer mentorship program that was initiated to welcome and help our new International Students adapt and integrate into the LSS Family. Our Global Bear Peer Mentor Leads, Abby Hong and Maddie Kim, along with our enthusiastic Global Bear Mentors worked hard to organize a fun morning of team building activities and an opportunity for our new International Students to connect with a Peer Mentor. It was a nice way to leave our books behind (temporarily) and let loose, share some laughs and develop new friendships in an inclusive environment. Fun was had by all and we are looking forward to our next event: A visit to the Distillery District on Nov. 24 which includes a scavenger hunt and another opportunity to bond with our mentors. Global Peer Mentors and Mentees can register on Cashonline. We look forward to planning more activities, such as homework help, intramurals, Culture Cafe, and lunchtime meetings to keep in touch. Stay tuned for more!



SCHOOL NEWS cont..

LANGSTAFF AT PROVINCIAL FRENCH LANGUAGE OLYMPICS

On November 3, Langstaff competed against francophone and immersion schools from across Ontario in the « Olympiades linguistiques » at Glendon Campus of York University. They completed challenges in History, Geography, Language, Drama, Visual Arts and Sports. Félicitations à tous nos finalistes!



Food for Fines is back at the Langstaff Learning Commons! Until December 15 bring non-perishable goods such as cans and toiletry items such as diapers to our school library. You don't need to have a fine to donate! See attached flyer for some items in need.



Food for Fines
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Expressions

of Youth

Poetry
Short story
Essay
Fanfiction

Intermediate Grades 9-10
Senior Grades 11-12

All original work to be submitted
as a hard copy and electronically
in the Learning Commons
(Word document using
Arial 12 size font)

Finalists will be
published in the
20th anniversary
volume

View previous
copies in the
Learning Commons

DEADLINE

NOVEMBER 27 - DECEMBER 1

By Adam Pellew

SCHOOL NEWS cont...

GRADE 8 OPEN HOUSE AT LANGSTAFF



Become a Host Family

YRDSB operates a robust homestay program where hundreds of international visa students are placed each semester for their study duration. These students are interested in a full immersion experience where they can improve their English skills and experience Canadian culture first hand.

Our board is looking for families who wish to host an international student. Can you provide ...

- a caring, comfortable accommodation for a student
- an English speaking environment
- opportunities for the student to participate in family life and local activities
- integration of an international student into your family
- a private room, 3 meals per day plus snacks (it is recommended that Canada's Food Guide is followed to ensure that nutritious and well-balanced meals are provided)
- easy access to a public school in York Region on foot or by public transit

If interested, please contact the Homestay Coordinator at homestay@yrdsb.ca

Become a host family

Why not host an international student?

Can you offer ...

- a caring and secure environment
- an English speaking home
- a private bedroom
- three meals (and snacks) daily
- a home within reasonable distance to a YRDSB school

Families are compensated \$900/month to cover the cost of hosting.

Homes with basement bedrooms and tenants will not be considered.

The homestay residence must be within York Region.

School year and summer placements are available.

Contact us:
homestay@yrdsb.ca | 905 884 2046 ext 239
www.yrdsb.ca/homestay



Please see the attached poster for a great opportunity for a student to be a member of the Minister's Student Advisory Council. This group of students share their ideas and advice with the Minister of Education. Applications are due by January 10, 2018. Please see the attached flyer for more information.



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COMMUNITY NEWS cont..

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is releasing additional resources ahead of the January 1, 2018, launch of OHIP+: Children and Youth Pharmacare.

On the ministry's website (health.gov.on.ca/ohiplus_resources), you will find the following documents for downloading and printing:

- Factsheet for patients/families
- Postcards (available in 14 languages)
- Social media posts

Please distribute these materials in your schools so that all students, parents and caregivers can be aware of OHIP+ and be able to take full advantage of its benefits. Through this program, Ontarians aged 24 years and younger, who are OHIP insured, regardless of their family income, will be eligible for over 4,400 medications and drug products at no cost.

If you have any questions about OHIP+, please send an email to OHIPplus@ontario.ca.

For more information, please visit: Ontario.ca/OHIPplus.

Le ministère de la Santé et des Soins de longue durée publie des ressources supplémentaires en prévision du lancement de l'Assurance-santé Plus : Assurance-médicaments pour les enfants et les jeunes, le 1^{er} janvier 2018.

Vous trouverez sur le site Web du Ministère (health.gov.on.ca/assurancesanteplus_ressources) les documents qui suivent, qui peuvent être téléchargés et imprimés :

- Feuille de renseignements pour les patients et les familles;
- Cartes postales (offertes dans 14 langues);
- Messages pour les médias sociaux.

Veillez distribuer ces documents dans vos écoles pour que tous les élèves, parents et fournisseurs de soins soient informés sur l'Assurance-santé Plus et puissent profiter pleinement de tous ses avantages. Grâce à ce programme, tous les Ontariens âgés de 24 ans et moins qui ont un numéro d'Assurance santé auront accès à plus de 4 400 médicaments gratuitement, quel que soit leur revenu familial.

Si vous avez des questions au sujet de l'Assurance-santé Plus, veuillez les transmettre à OHIPplus@ontario.ca.

Pour obtenir plus de renseignements, rendez-vous au Ontario.ca/assurancesanteplus.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

There is a positive relationship between regular attendance and success in school. Students at LSS are required to attend regularly, to be punctual, and to participate in all scheduled classes.

VALID ABSENCES include illness, bereavement or family emergency.

AUTHORIZED ABSENCES include dentist/doctor appointments, driver's test, and court appearances.

EXCUSED ABSENCES refer to field trips and school sanctioned events. Students are still considered to be at school.

EXTENDED ABSENCES of four days or more require the completion of a "Special Leave" form at least one week in advance of the leave. This form may be obtained from the Main Office. A parent/guardian signature is required. It is the student's responsibility to catch up on all work missed.

DO NOT plan absences or family vacations during culminating and exam periods as the evaluations CANNOT be rescheduled.

Type of Absence	Parent/Guardian Responsibility
Absent for a Full Day	Phone the school with a valid reason the same day or send a note upon return
Absent for One or More Classes	Phone with valid reason indicating the time of absence or send a note with the student
Leaving Before the End of the Day	Student signs out in attendance office with a note from the parent/guardian
In the Event of an Emergency	Contact the office as soon as possible.

For safety reasons, students who have signed out must leave the building as they will not be directly supervised.

Want more information about student attendance?

Students under 18 and/or their parents can pick up a detailed attendance report from the main office.

The **weekly** attendance summary below includes all of the semester one absences and lates from Monday, November 13 through Friday, November 17, 2017.

Period	Course	Teacher	Absences	Lates
«Period_A»	«Course_A»	«Teacher_Last_A»	«Absence_A»	«Lates_A»
«Period_B»	«Course_B»	«Teacher_Last_B»	«Absence_B»	«Lates_B»
«Period_C»	«Course_C»	«Teacher_Last_C»	«Absence_C»	«Lates_C»
«Period_D»	«Course_D»	«Teacher_Last_D»	«Absence_D»	«Lates_D»
«Period_E»	«Course_E»	«Teacher_Last_E»	«Absence_E»	«Lates_E»
Total Absences and Lates			«Total_Abs»	«Total_Lates»

«First_Name» «Last_Name» has completed «Community_Servi» community service hours. Forty hours of community service are required to graduate. If a student recently submitted hours, it may not be reflected in this communication.

LSS SCHOOL LINKS

LSS School Website

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/langstaff.ss/Pages/default.aspx>

York Region District School Board

<http://www.yrdsb.ca>

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