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Parent Newsletter: March 4-22

Administration

Principal:

Sheri Epstein

Vice-Principal:

Heather Leatham

Vice-Principal:

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Marianne C. Hamilton

A Message from your Administrators

Dear Langstaff Families and Community Members,

March Break is quickly approaching and I know that the students (and staff) are looking forward to the time off from school. The first part of the first semester has been a very busy with a combination of learning and participating in wonderful school activities.

Here are some highlights of what has been taking place since the last e-bulletin message.

First, all of our students in our Specialist High Schools Major program earned their First Aid Certificate after spending two full days participating in the required training. In a short amount of time, these students learned all the important steps to take when faced with an emergency, and how to help people with any immediate medical issues.

We also held our Picture Day for all our new second semester students. We are always happy when new Bears join our pack.

To honour Black History month the entire student body attended an assembly by Glenn Marais and the Mojo Train. Glen Marais and his four-piece band perform a riveting, powerful musical and visual journey through Black History that teaches, inspires and challenges audiences to reflect, learn and grow from the lessons of the past and recognize the joyful triumphs throughout history that have shaped the present, with promise and hope for the future. The students enjoyed the performance very much.

Wednesday was Pink Shirt Day, a day dedicated to the promotion of kindness and standing up to bullying. It was great to see how many people, both students and staff, who were pink to school; the halls were filled with pink on a snowy day. During the lunch hour, the students had the opportunity to participate in a number of pink themed activities. Students made beaded friendship bracelets, there was colouring if anti-bulling posters, and a Be Kind poem writing contest. Students could also leave a positive message for their peers and try to guess how many pink candies were in the jar (in order to win to the whole jar!). The students had a great time showing their dedication to kindness. In addition to all these wonderful activities, our Soccer Club also ran a very successful indoor soccer tournament. The gym was filled with amazing soccer players and many dedicated fans.

Next week our Student Council is hosting a week of Spirit Days.

Monday	Grade Colour Days		
	9s are to wear Black, 10s to wear Green, 11s to wear Red, 12s to wear Blue and all staff are to wear White! The school will be a rainbow!		
Tuesday	Twin Day – friends should dress alike!		
Wednesday	School Merchandise Day – wear a shirt or hoodie from your elementary school, Lang- staff, or a university or college of your choice!		
Thursday	Sports Jersey Day – wear your favourite team!		
Friday	Pyjama Day – the best day!		

Have a wonderful weekend! Ms. S. Epstein





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School Bell Timetable

Period 1	8:25 am – 9:40 am
Period 2	9:45 am – 11:05 am
Lunch	11:10 am – 11:50 am
Period 3	11:55 am – 1:10 pm
Period 4	1:15 pm – 2:30 pm

March 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
March 4	March 5	March 6	March 7	March 8
Grade Colour Day	Twin Day	SPIRIT WEEK	Sports Jersey Day	Pyjama Day
	Women in Tech Fieldtrip	Day Snap Tournament	Leadership Class field trip	
March 18	**************************************			March 22
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Back from March Break	Nowruz			Consolidation Day

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

Should your student have a planned absence for 3 or more days, an Extended Absence Form must be signed by each subject teacher, parent/guardian and the Vice-Principal prior to leaving for the absence; Extended Absence Forms are available at the Main Office.

Did You Know?

Many of our departments provide extra help for our students Please see the following schedule:

Geography Department:	Monday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
	Wednesday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
History Department:	Monday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
	Tuesday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
	Wednesday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
	Thursday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
	Friday	11:10 am to 11:50 am
Science Department:	Tuesday	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
	Thursday	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
Math Department:	Tuesday	2:30 pm – 3:30 pm
French/Languages Department: Wednesday		11:00 am – 11:50 am; 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm (by appointment)
Visual Arts Department:	Monday	11:10 am – 11:45 am
	Tuesday	11:10 am – 11:45 am
	Wednesday	11:10 am – 11:45 am
	Thursday	11:10 am – 11:45 am
	Friday	11:10 am – 11:45 am

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February 2024

Dear Families,

As part of a partnership between YRDSB and Renewed Computer Technology (RCT), families with children enrolled in our Board have the opportunity to purchase quality refurbished computers at a reduced cost. Applicants must live in Ontario, have a student enrolled at YRDSB and either receive government assistance payments or qualify as a limited income earner under the limited income cut-off standards*.

Family size	Annual income*
2 people	\$30,286
3 people	\$37,234
4 people	\$45,206
5 people	\$51,272
6 people	\$57,286
7 people +	\$64,381

Below is a limited income grid for your reference.

This year, there are different packages available for purchase. Please reference the <u>online</u> <u>application page</u> for the current available package offerings. Please note that there are three options for delivery.

- If you would like for the computer to be delivered directly to your home, there is a \$40 charge for laptops and a \$50 charge for desktops. Families who choose this delivery option will have their order shipped when it is ready, roughly 3 weeks from date of order.
- If you would like the device shipped to your child's school there is a \$20 delivery charge. If you choose this shipping option, the computer will be delivered to your child's school after the end of the promotion period. Please indicate the name of the school on the form when selecting this option.
- You may choose to pick up the computer from the RCT Mississauga Warehouse, for free, located at 945 Meyerside Drive, Mississauga. Families who choose this option will have their order ready for pick up roughly 3 weeks after the date of order.

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Parents and legal guardians may apply for one computer per student, with a limit of two per household. Please see below for a full list of device specifications.

If you are interested in applying, please complete an online application at https://www.jotform.com/210054491659255 using the group code on the attached program flyer. The application period is from February 1, 2024 – March 15, 2024 with delivery to schools taking place in April.

Please note - There are sections in the RCT Online Application that are no longer applicable:

- Requirement of Proof or Documentation of Income
- Requirement to participate in training prior to receiving your computer/laptop

The Section on Course of Study can pertain to elementary or secondary. If you do not have access to a computer or the Internet, please contact the administration team at your school for assistance.

For inquiries related to the RCT application process, devices and delivery, please contact Alexander Oliver (Aoliver@rcto.ca) and for inquiries related to support from YRDSB, please contact Yvonne Kelly (yvonne.kelly@yrdsb.ca)

For more information, including complete application and payment instructions, please refer to the attached program flyer and checklist.

Sincerely,

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Please see attached flyer.

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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. R. Chidiac, *Head of Guidance* reina.chidiac@yrdsb.ca Ms. S. Starkman sharonne.starkman@yrdsb.ca

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





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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. A-Q :Mme Chidiac, R-Z: Ms. Starkman

Community News

YRDSBArts Camp 2024 CAMPERS

CAMP DATES: SATURDAY, MAY 25TH TO SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2024.

Learners & Lovers of the ArtsQ

APPLY NOW!

Arts Camp 2024 is now accepting applications for CAMPERS!!

More info can be found in the <u>information package</u> and on the <u>application form</u>.