

LEGACY PUBLIC SCHOOL

WEEKLY EBULLETIN FOR DECEMBER 6, 2013

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Kindergarten Registration to Commence January 17, 2014

Kindergarten registration will commence on January 17, 2014 for the 2014-15 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca. Children who turn four or five years old during 2014, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. A kindergarten information session for parents is being planned for this spring. For more information please visit the YRDSB website or contact us at Legacy.

French Immersion Registration for 2014/15

Information sessions for the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at <u>Sam Chapman P.S./Franklin P.S.</u> on January 16, 2014 at 7 p.m. FI registration will begin January 17, 2014. In order to streamline the registration process, parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in September 2014, and wishing to enroll in the FI Program, can visit or call their home school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to <u>Sam Chapman P.S./Franklin P.S.</u> to register between January 17 and February 14, 2014. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.



French Immersion Program if you live WEST of 9th Line

Program is available at FRANKLIN STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL 21 Franklin Street, Markham, ON L3P 2S7 905-294-3562

INFORMATION SESSION Thursday, January 16, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.

French Immersion Program if you live EAST of 9th Line

Program is available at SAM CHAPMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL 270 Alfred Paterson Drive, Markham, ON L6E 2G1 905-472-8374

INFORMATION SESSION Thursday, January 16, 2013 - 7:00 p.m.



arts@baythorn

Would your child enjoy learning the Ontario curriculum through the Arts? If so, the York Region District School Board offers an Elementary integrated Arts program at Baythorn Public School. Students currently in grades four and five may apply for the arts@baythorn program, where they will have the opportunity to explore the disciplines of Dance, Drama, Visual Arts, and Music while meeting the expectations of the Ontario Curriculum for grades five, six, seven, and eight.

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To learn more about the arts@baythorn program, students and their families are invited to attend an information evening at Baythorn Public School on Thursday, January 16, 2014 @ 6:30 p.m.



Applications will be on line via the school website and available after January 16, 2014. Please call us at Baythorn Public School (905) 889-7992, if you require further information.

Lost and Found

We have a number of items in our lost and found boxes that are looking for homes. If your child is missing something, please check our lost and found. Items will be laid out from Friday, December 6th to Friday, December 13th. Any unclaimed items will be sent to a local charity. Thank you.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We recognize the importance of digital literacy and its potential to engage students in meaningful communication and collaboration. As a result, the York Region District School Board is providing and managing access to the Google Apps for Education service for staff and students. This service, referred to as GAPPS, may be used by your child's teacher to complement the learning that already occurs in our classrooms on a regular basis. Specifically, GAPPS provides fast and easy collaboration, real-time editing and feedback, and access for students on any device at any time. Use of GAPPS, by both staff and students is governed by existing policies, including Policy #194: Appropriate Use of Technology. This policy is available for review on the Board's web site.

Along with access to the GAPPS platform, most students will now have access to a Board email address. This email address can also be used as a login for other cloud-based educational tools, such as Moodle. The activation of student email on the GAPPS platform, will occur as follows:

JK-Grade 2: no email access

Grade 3-5: access to internal York Region District School Board email only

Grade 6-12: access to internal and external email

As with all use of technology, we rely on parents/guardians to be strong partners in educating children on the appropriate use of technology. To this end, the service is provided as a privilege and violations of Board policy may result in withdrawal of the service. The standard format for the GAPPS email address will be student#@gapps.yrdsb.ca where student# is the same number students use to access the Board network and classroom computers.

Please take the time to review our appropriate use of technology policy and reinforce the importance of responsible technology usage. For your information, we have attached some internet safety tips to this letter.

More information and login for the GAPPS platform is available at https://google.yrdsb.ca.

It's time to remind children about being safe online.

This is a good time for parents to learn about and review ways to keep their children safe online. Children today have access to the world at their fingertips. But with this access, there are risks. It's important for parents to talk to children about the importance of their personal information and stress that they should never disclose personal details that would allow someone online to contact them in real life.

Here are 10 tips provided by York Regional Police to promote safe online behaviour:

- Children should never give anyone their name, address, telephone number, computer password, or any other personal information on the Internet without parental or guardian consent
- Children should stay out of all chat rooms and websites that are not first approved by their parent or guardian
- The computer should be in a central place in your home where you can supervise their online activities
- Don't allow a webcam in a child's bedroom
- Reinforce that people online may not be who they say they are
- Consider using parental controls like Internet filters or blocking software
- Remind children that everything said online stays in cyberspace forever, whether or not it is deleted
- Talk to your children about Internet safety and clearly define your rules
- Remind children that photos sent over the internet or with cell phones are not private and can be easily shared with the general public

Remember danger could be just a keystroke away

For more information on this subject, contact the York Regional Police by e-mail at info@yrp.ca or visit www.yrp.ca.

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Legacy Public School STAFF





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BUS ROUTES HOTLINE 1-877-330-3001

www.schoolbuscity.com



PIZZA DAYS - DECEMBER 4th & 18th

EARTH CLUB - MOST FRIDAYS WITH MR. FAULDS



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DEC 2nd - PRIMARY SPORT STACKING CUPS CLUB - LUNCH - GYM



DEC 9th - JR & INT SPORT STACKING CUPS CLUB - LUNCH - GYM



Candy Cane O'Grams Sales for the Philippines - On Sale Morning Recess - \$1.00

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In support of our local community, and to help our children learn more about 'Empathy', a character trait that seems befitting to the month of December, the Legacy School Council is asking that your family join ours, as we team up to help support our local Markham Food Bank.

The Markham Food Bank has been operating since 1984 and is the only non-denominational food bank in Markham; they service 75 – 100 local families per week. At the moment they are in need of dry soup (Mr. Noodle), stew, cold cereal, jam, green/yellow beans, salmon, tea bags and sugar. Any items you bring will be greatly appreciated by the families in need.

We are hoping that each family will bring non perishable food items to school between December $4^{th} - 17^{th}$, to donate to this cause. There will be a box outside the office for you to put your donations in.

Parents can leverage this initiative, and take the opportunity to have a conversation with their child about 'Empathy'. "What does it mean? Why is it important for us to help those less fortunate?"

Please take the time to discuss 'Empathy' at home, and for those that are able and willing to donate, help your children take part in the December Food Drive between December 4th-17th.

Thank you in advance for your support,

The School Council

MEDIA RELEASE

JOIN YORK REGIONAL POLICE FOR HOLIDAYS IN THE VILLAGE

York Regional Police are inviting York Region residents to join us at the Community Safety Village of York Region for the 9th Annual Holidays in the Village celebration. The event will take place on Saturday December 7, 2013, between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., at the Community Safety Village of York Region, located in Bruce's Mill Conservation Area at 3291 Stouffville Road (between Warden Avenue and Kennedy Road).

This event brings together the region's diverse communities to share their cultural celebrations with children and adults through decoration, costume and song.

The Community Safety Village is decorated for the festive season and hot chocolate and treats will be available as you take a horse-drawn carriage ride through the winter wonderland, bright with holiday lights. Holiday music will be heard throughout the village along with a diverse selection of entertainment. Children will have the opportunity to make their own festive crafts, decorate a gingerbread cookie and should keep their eyes open for a visit from Santa Claus himself.

Members of the York Regional Police Community Services will answer questions related to winter safety, including winter driving and safety messages for children.

Admission is free with an unwrapped toy or gift card.

For further information on this event, please contact Corporate Communications at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 2664.

For information on the Community Safety Village visit our website at www.yrp.ca and click on Community Safety Village.

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December 5, 2013

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