



LEGACY PUBLIC SCHOOL

WEEKLY EBULLETIN FOR DECEMBER 13, 2013

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Invitation to Sing

We will be hosting a Sing-a-Long for the holidays on Wednesday December 18th starting at 9:15 in our gymnasium. All parents, siblings and community members are welcome to join us as we raise our voices in song!! Rumour has it that Legacy will have a very special visitor make an appearance during the assembly!!

What Our New VP hasn't told you about himself

It is with mixed feelings that I personally welcome Jeff Demacio as our Vice Principal. I have known Jeff professionally for over 6 years. Jeff has a reputation of being an incredibly positive force in a school, dedicated to engaging students and being innovative in the use of technology in his classroom. I believe that he will bring a skill set that will certainly have a positive effect on our school.

On the other hand...My daughter is a student at Donald Cousens PS (Jeff's current school) and I had hoped that she would learn from Mr. Demacio in her senior years. As parent I am sad she will not have this opportunity!!

Jeff will start with us on January 6th and I look forward to a lasting administrative relationship with the school so that we can continue to work to achieve the goals we have set out in our school plan and beyond.

Front bus loop

In order to keep our students, parents and staff safe we ask that you use the Kiss 'n Ride for dropping off in the morning.

Please note that **the front bus loop is only for school buses and taxis.** By breaking this rule you are consciously creating a dangerous situation in front of the school. Plan ahead and use the proper drop off areas.

Dedication to the Environment

Lead by the members of our Earth Club our school continues to strive to become as ecologically responsible as possible. The work of our students and staff has been recognized by Eco Schools (Gold certification) and now by the City of Markham who is planning on producing a video with our school that teaches other schools how to become more effective in their recycling program. More information about this in the new year. Something to view at home is the YRDSB ECOWatch web site for the students: <http://ecowatch.yrdsb.ca/>. This site has a number of embedded links in the home page to learn from as well as having real time energy use and waste measurement data for Legacy.

School Bus Cancellation Notice (On these snowy days that are upon us!!)

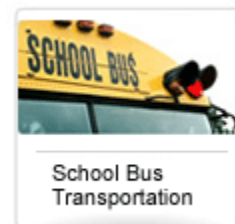
To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled from time to time due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Since some busing schedules begin by 7:00 a.m., cancellation decisions must be made by 6:00 a.m. to allow time to communicate this message to bus drivers. Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled.

If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.



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PIZZA DAYS - DECEMBER 4th & 18th



JUNIOR CO-ED VOLLEYBALL - SEE MR. CARLISLE



EARTH CLUB - MOST FRIDAYS WITH MR. FAULDS



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



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 K-GR 3-\$2.00 - Author Visit - Frieda Wishinsky 3:30 - Staff Meeting 7 - 8:30 PM School Council in the Library	3 International Day of Disabled Persons	4 REGIONAL BOYS VOLLEYBALL TOURN. 7PM - GR 7 TRIP INFORMATION NIGHT	5 REGIONAL GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURN. PICK UP POINSETTIA ORDERS BY 6 PM	6 K-TT GR 6 - VIP - VALUES, INFLUENCES & PEERS	7
8	9 JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN PARENTS IN-CLASS OBSERVATION VISITS GR 3 GIFTED TESTING	10 GR 1-FIREFIGHTER VISIT GR 3 Scientist in School 6:30 PM - GR 8 BAND - MDHS Concert	11 GR 3 Scientist in School	12 TERRIFIC TREAT EVERY THURSDAY \$1.25 AM RECESS	13 K-MW GR 8 MDHS Guidance Presentation	14
15	16 GR 3 Scientist in School GR 6 - VIP - VALUES, INFLUENCES & PEERS Candy Cane O'Grams Fundraiser for the Philippines will be delivered this week.	17	18 GR 1-8 FRIDAY CLASS SCHEDULE 9:15 COMMUNITY SING-A-LONG JR. VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT	19 TERRIFIC TREAT EVERY THURSDAY \$1.25 AM RECESS 1:10 - 3:15 PM GR 6-8 HOLIDAY DANCE	20 PA DAY (No School)	21 WINTER BEGINS
22	23 CLOSED	24 CLOSED	25 CLOSED CHRISTMAS WESTERN **	26 CLOSED	27 CLOSED	28
CHRISTMAS / WINTER BREAK						
29	30 CLOSED	31 CLOSED	GR 8 BAND REHEARSAL - SEE MR. PAVEY TERRIFIC TREAT THURSDAY - EVERY THURSDAY MORNING RECESS - \$1.25			

December Food Drive



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 4th – 17th, 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