

LEGACY PUBLIC SCHOOL

EBULLETIN

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READ A THON

Thank-you to all students and parents for supporting our School Council Read a Thon!! Please be aware that all pledge forms and pledges are due to the school office on Tuesday May 8th.

Students will be provided ballots for our raffle draws based on every \$5.00 raised.

There are over 80 prizes donated for students to enter for draws!!!!

Draws for prizes will occur on Friday May 11th. If a student is absent and wins a prize, it will be set aside in the school office.



KISS N RIDE

We would like, once again to remind all parents that our kiss n ride is CLOSED at the end of the day. Please do not come into the Kiss n Ride Area to pick up your children for 3:30 pm.

Also, we have noticed that some parents are parking in the Kiss N Ride at Lunch along the walkways.

This area is a fire route zone and there is no parking other than in designated spots in the Kiss N Ride.

We rely on our school community to respect this request and keep these areas safe for your children.

GRADE PLACEMENTS

If you are moving or your child will be attending a different school in the fall, please let us know so that we can plan accordingly. If you would like to have input into your child's placement for next year, please submit a letter or email to Shelley Jones (Principal) outlining:

1. Your child's current grade level and teacher
2. Your child's strengths - academic and social.
3. Your concerns for your child.
4. Write about the type of classroom or teacher traits that you feel your child would do best with.

KEY DATES

May 7th: Music Monday at Legacy PS

May 7th: School Council Meeting

May 7th-11th: Mental Health Week

May 8th: Teacher Appreciation Day

May 18th: School Track and Field Day

Please check our Calendar at:
<http://bit.ly/2DdPcaJ>



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next School Council Meeting will occur on Monday May 7th from 7:00 pm-8:30 pm . Please join us in our library. Babysitting will be provided. (see attached agenda)

FOREST OF READING

1. All Forest of Reading Books and all completed passports are due back in the Library by **THIS MONDAY May 7th.**
2. Voting for “Legacy’s Favourites” will begin Next Friday the 11th once the new furniture is in.
3. Forest of Reading Category Winners will be announced Monday May 14th.
4. Also on May 14th, draws will take place for the winners of the Passport Prizes (20 books will be given away to students who submitted completed passports to the library by Monday May 7th)
There will be winners selected from EACH of the Blue Spruce, Silver Birch Express, Silver Birch Fiction, Silver Birch Non-Fiction, and Red Maple book clubs.

AFTER SCHOOL PICK-UP for Girls Can Run

Parents are asked to ensure they arrive on time to pick up their children from Girls Can Run.

NOTE* Girls Can Run Practise is cancelled on Monday May 7th

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK AT LEGACY PS

May 7th-11th is Mental Health Week

Did you know one in five Canadians are likely to experience a diagnosable mental illness? This means that at any given time, almost 20% of students in a typical classroom will be dealing with some type of mental health problem. Keeping mentally fit helps us to manage the challenges of everyday life, and understanding the signs can be useful to get the help we need. It is never too early to learn how to recognize the signs of mental health and indicators of stress that can contribute to mental health problems. Both adults and kids can learn how to recognize the signs of stress and ways to stay mentally well. This link provides more information about stress lessons and the programs that support schools, parents and children.

Parent Guide

The Healthy Schools and our Wellness Team has organized activities and lessons for students during the week. Here is a short summary of our week

Monday-Friday - STRESS related lessons looking at recognizing stress both good and bad and self-regulating strategies to help manage stressful situations.

Morning Mindful Moments

Music Monday Assembly - A small introduction into Mental Health Week and the focus of “Stress Busting”, an outline of the weeks activities. A focus on how Music is used for some to “bust-stress”. Music performances by a variety of students

Thankful Tuesday Taking time to be grateful and thankful helps relieve stress and receiving a nice note helps you “feel good”. Students are encouraged to write a “thank you” note to a friend, classmate, teacher or staff member and make an effort before the end of the week to deliver their note - it could be anonymous

Wellness Walk Wednesday

Talk to Me Thursday- Students will share their "stress-busting" techniques, in pictures or words, on their divisional graffiti mural (ie. dance, deep breathing, sing, play, colour, go for a walk, talk to friend)

Find Your Flow -Guided relaxation class in the gym at recesses

Bubble Friday -“Stress-Buster” Bubble blow on tarmac to music with friends

WHAT IS GOING ON OUTSIDE OF CLASS

Stacking Club

Study Hall

PLAY Program

Volleyball

Me to We

Earth Club

Student Parliament

Intermediate Basketball

Band

Equity Team

Healthy Schools Team

Tech Team

Girls Can Run

Intermediate Badminton



Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC)

Call for Membership Applications

Online Applications Begin: **May 1, 2018**

Online Applications Close: **June 15, 2018**

Available Positions

A. York Region District School Board (YRDSB) invites parents/guardians of students attending schools in the following areas:

- Central – ONE Elementary Position
- North – ONE Elementary Position
- West – ONE Elementary Position and ONE Secondary Position
- East – ONE Elementary Position

Membership is available for one-year or two-years on the Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC) to commence in November 2018. The Board will approve membership terms, as required. There are currently five (5) positions available. (To check the respective areas that schools are in use our [school locator](#).)

B. York Region District School Board invites one (1) community member from any part of the region to participate as an advisor for a term of up to four (4) years.

- Regional – ONE Position – Not required to have child/ren in school

PEAC supports encourages and enhances parent engagement at the Board level in order to improve student achievement and well-being. PEAC does this by providing information and advice on parent engagement to the Board, communicating with and supporting school councils and undertaking activities to help parents support their children's learning. The Committee's mandate is to:

- a) develop strategies and initiatives that the Board and the Board's Director of Education could use to effectively communicate with parents/guardians and to effectively engage parents/guardians in improving student achievement and well-being.
- b) advise the Board and the Director of Education on ways to use the strategies and initiatives referred to above.
- c) communicate information from the Ministry to school councils of schools of the Board and to parents/guardians of pupils of the Board.
- d) work with school councils of schools of the Board and, through the Board's Director of Education, with employees of the Board to;

- i. share effective practices to help engage parents/guardians, especially parents/guardians who may find engagement challenging, in their children's learning.
 - ii. identify and reduce barriers to parent engagement.
 - iii. help ensure that schools of the Board create a welcoming environment for parents/guardians of its pupils.
 - iv. develop skills and acquire knowledge that will assist the Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee and school councils of the Board with their work.
- e) determine, in consultation with the Board's Director of Education and in keeping with the Board's policies and procedures, how funding, if any, provided under the Education Act for parent involvement is reported.

The Parent, Family and Community Engagement Committee (PEAC) is established according to Ministry legislation and members must be prepared to attend each meeting. PEAC meetings are generally scheduled on the second Tuesday of the month. Members are required to attend a minimum of six meetings and will have opportunities to participate in other workshops and events. The first meeting date for the new membership is November 13, 2018.

PEAC is composed of:

- 12 parents/guardians (2 Elementary and 1 Secondary for each Community Education Center)
- 1 Director of Education or Designate
- 1 Trustee and 1 alternate
- 1 Special Education Advisory Committee member
- 1 Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee member
- 1 Community Member at Large

Members are selected based on principles of representation that include diversity in all its manifestations, a variety of skills, experiences, location and knowledge. The contents of the Membership Applications are kept strictly confidential.

Two references are required, one of whom should be any YRDSB staff member. Parents/guardians who are also employees of the Board are asked to self-identify when applying. References are kept strictly confidential.

Further information about the role of PEAC may be found at the Ontario Ministry of Education website [School Councils and Parent Involvement Committees](#). Parents/guardians interested in serving as a member of PEAC are asked to submit an electronic application between **May 1, 2018** and **June 15, 2018** (final deadline) using the on-line [Application Form](#) or calling Education and Community Services at 905 727-0022 ext 2242 to submit a paper application.