

LEGACY PUBLIC SCHOOL E-BULLETIN



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ISLAMIC HERITAGE MONTH

At Legacy PS we recognize that Muslim identity for our students is critical in combating Islamophobia and we are working to create an inclusive school climate necessary for student well-being and achievement.



In 2007, the Government of Canada declared the month of October as Canadian Islamic History Month. The province of Ontario passed the Islamic Heritage Month Act (2016) to recognize and affirm the important contributions that Muslims make in Ontario as part of the vibrant social, economic, political and cultural fabric of our province. This month affords an opportunity to reflect, celebrate and learn about the rich and longstanding contributions of Muslim Canadians to this nation.

See flyer below:

Beyond Islamic Heritage Month

CURRICULUM NIGHT

Legacy Parents are invited to our Legacy Information Night

Wednesday, October 16th, 2019
6:30 pm-7:25 pm

Class Presentation # 1 6:30-6:50 (or 6:30-6:55)

Class Presentation #2 6:55-7:20 (or 7:00-7:25)

Families of Kindergarten students will follow what is sent home by the Kindergarten Team.

We can't wait to see you on Wednesday evening!

Please note: As this is a rescheduled event there will be no food trucks available.

NO PARKING

We feel it necessary to remind our parents once again about the NO PARKING/STOPPING restrictions along Russell Jarvis Dr and Rouge Bank.

These signs are clearly being ignored by parents dropping off and picking up their children. It's become a challenge for residents trying to access their home when the traffic flow is blocked.

Markham parking enforcement has been notified to start ticketing offenders.

Also, NO cars are permitted in our KISS N RIDE at the end of the school day.

Do not come in the exit

KEY DATES

- Oct 10th -Grade 1 Firefighter Visit
- Oct 14th-Thanksgiving-NO SCHOOL
- Oct 16th-Curriculum Night
- Oct 21st -PA DAY
- Oct 22nd VIP-Grade 8
- Oct 23rd- Regional Cross Country

Please check our Calendar at:

<http://bit.ly/2DdPcaJ>



Firefighter Visit

Markham firefighters came in to talk about Fire Safety with the grade 1 students. The firefighters showed our learners all the equipment they must wear when going to fight a fire and also about how to keep yourself safe.



LEARNING DISABILITY MONTH

In honour of all of the Legacy students with a Learning Disability, students have the opportunity to participate in a book walk around the school. The book is *Leo the Late Bloomer*. This story is the perfect way to begin a conversation about how we are each unique and as a result, learn and develop in our own way at our own pace.



Class Economy

Our grade 8 students participated in interviews for their preferred job for Class Economy this week.

They prepared cover letters and resumes for their preferred role and displayed excellent communication, advocacy and interview skills.

Through Classroom Economy, students learn valuable life skills in an experiential way. Specifically, they are able to:

- Take part in a simulation of real-world economic activity.
- Learn the value of earning a paycheck, as they bank the salaries from their jobs.
- Learn how to budget their spending, manage a loan, balance a checking account, and make scheduled payments.
- Discover the importance of saving money to obtain what they want.
- Describe the purpose of paying taxes.
- Find out that every decision has an opportunity cost.



At these grade levels, students continue to earn and spend dollar amounts of three and four digits to match their math skills, but also begin to learn more advanced financial concepts. Students pay an electricity bill, in addition to their rent, and also pay taxes for the first time.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE SCHOOL?

Cross Country (Grades 4-8)

Me to We Club (Grade 7-8)

School Council (Grade 6-8)

Office Helpers

Class Economy (Gr 8)

Announcement Teams

Wacky Snack

Walk to School -Active School Travel

Intermediate girls and boys volleyball

Lunch Buddies (Gr 5 and 6)

Peer Mediators (Gr 5-8)

Islamic Heritage – Beyond Islamic Heritage Month

Inclusive School and Community Services (ISCS) and the Alliance of Educators for Muslim Students (AEMS) invites our YRDSB school communities (families, staff, and students) to an exciting evening of learning and dialogue. Children will have an opportunity to listen to stories by Muslim authors, while families, staff, and community engage in learning and dialogue that celebrates diverse Islamic Heritages. Please share with your school communities!

When

Wednesday, November 6, 2019
5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Where

Bill Hogarth Secondary School Cafeteria, 100 Donald Sim Avenue, Markham

Program

1. YRDSB Greetings
2. Community Greetings by *York Region Muslims & The National Council of Canadian Muslims*
3. Dialogue by Gilary Massa - Framing Intersectionality in Muslim communities
4. Keynote by Timaj Garad - Acting in Solidarity with Muslim communities
5. Keynote by Rania El Mugammar – Centering Muslim & Minoritized Voices in Institutional Decision-Making
6. Children's Story-time and Crafts

**Bookstores, community resource displays and more.*

Registration

Please register [here](#).

Keynote Presenters: Rania El Mugammar, Timaj Garad, Gilary Massa

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Rania El Mugammar

Rania El Mugammar is a Sudanese artist, anti-oppression consultant, and liberation educator based in Toronto. Rania's artistic and community work is deeply rooted in Black Liberation. Rania is a published writer, award winning organizer, speaker, arts educator, and multidisciplinary performer. She is the co-chair of the St. Jamestown Collective Impact Steering Committee, a member of the Leaders Panel for the Economic Development and Culture Strategic Plan at the city of Toronto. Rania is also the lead equity consultant for RECENTRE, Equity director of B Inc at Bcurrent Performing Arts and co-founder of the *How to be an Ally Series* at the Centre for Social Innovation. You can follow her work at raniawrites.com.

Timaj Garad

Timaj is an Ethiopian Toronto-based multi-disciplinary storyteller, Arts-Education, community organizer, and creative consultant. Her art is autobiographical, working at the intersections of a Black Muslim woman challenging injustice, unearthing truths, and healing. As an awards-winning artist and educator, Timaj has graced over 250 stages and facilitated several arts workshops. She is currently living in Toronto, sharing her poetry on stages across the province, continuing to organize arts events, and working on her debut album 'Blooming at the Mouth' to be released in Fall 2020. You can follow her work at timajgarad.com.

Gilary Massa

Gilary is a proud Afro-Latina, Canadian Muslim with a long-standing history in community engagement and activism related to equity, human rights, and civil liberties. With roots within labour and student movements, Gilary has worked as the Advocacy Coordinator for the National Council of Canadian Muslims (NCCM), as the Executive Director of Communications and Outreach at the Ryerson Students Union, and is a founding board member of both the Parkdale Centre for Social Innovation and Black Muslim Initiative. Gilary has currently joined TDSB as their Human Rights Outreach and Engagement Officer.