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SUMMER INSTITUTE

Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8? Summer Institute offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum. The program runs for six weeks during July and August. It is offered at 11 school sites around York Region. For more information on dates, programs and locations, please visit the Summer Institute page on www.yrdsb.ca. Registration opens March 7. Families can now register online, as well as in person or by email.



Naw Ruz - Baha'i/Iranian New Year - March21

Naw Ruz ("New Day") is the Baha'i and Iranian new year, which falls on the date of the vernal (spring) equinox and symbolizes the renewal of the world after winter.

For most Iranians, Naw Ruz is the first day of Farvardin, the first month of the Iranian solar year. Since ancient times, it has been the great national holiday of Iran, the only holiday celebrated by more than one religious group. During this day people join in making a fresh start, full of joy and hope for the coming year. Families and friends may gather at a celebratory dinner wearing new clothes and offering gifts to the children present. The table is decorated with fruit, coloured eggs, sweets, as well as symbolic objects such as holy book and a mirror.

Naw Ruz is celebrated where ever Iranian culture has spread, particularly among the Zoroastrians of India, as well as amongst some of the peoples of Afghanistan, India, Syria and Turkey. For people of the Baha'i faith, Naw Ruz is the "Day of God." Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i tradition, declared this day to be one of feasting following a religious fast. Naw Ruz is one of the nine Baha'i holy days on which work is to be suspended. The day is often marked by prayer and celebration.

Best wishes to all staff, students, and community members celebrating Naw Ruz.

KEY DATES

March 12th-16th: March Break-

No School

March 21st- Naw Ruz

March 30th-Good Friday

April 2nd- Easter Monday

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



LEGO MINDSTORM

Mrs McVey's class has been busy working with our Lego Mindstorm kits. Students had fun collaborating with each other to build coding robots. Once built, the students coded the robots to move, make sounds, light up, and even throw a ball. Another feature that the students discovered is the "talk to move" feature that allows them to make the robot move based on their verbal instructions.







SPIRIT DAY-WEAR GREEN

Thank-you to our Student Parliament who organize all our school spirit days. Our staff and students wore green today.



WHAT IS GOING ON OUTSIDE OF CLASS

Stacking Club

Study Hall

PLAY Program

Volleyball

Me to We

Earth Club

Student Parliament

Basketball

Band

Floor Hockey i

Equity Team

Healthy School Team

Tech Team

Lead On Student Leader Training

Staff Zumba