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November 23rd

Attendance, Edsby and Safe Arrival Program

It is the policy of the York Region District School Board for all elementary schools to monitor and report on the safe arrival of our students. Families are expected to notify the school as soon as possible if your child will be absent or late.

Families can now report student absences online using Edsby. If you know that your child will be absent or late, please enter your child's absence into Edsby, using a computer or the mobile Edsby app.

If we do not know why your child is absent, we will, under Policy #665.0, do the following:

- 1. Call the home and business numbers provided.**
- 2. Call the emergency contact number(s) provided.**
- 3. If the above are unsuccessful, we will call the York Regional Police to report your child as missing.**

Your support in following the procedure outlined above is important in ensuring the safe arrival of students.



Parents meet Edsby

SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE

As part of our communication plan with the community, it is important for families to be aware of the recent motions past at school council, in support of different initiatives at LPB.

- **\$3500.00 – to support the purchase of new athletic jerseys, including basketball, volleyball, and assorted pinnies for a variety of teams and clubs.**
- **\$1500 – to support the Forest of Reading Club** (The Forest of Reading® is Canada's largest recreational reading program! This initiative of the Ontario Library Association (OLA) offers seven reading programs to encourage a love of reading in people of all ages. The Forest helps celebrate Canadian books, publishers, authors and illustrators. More than 270,000 readers participate annually from their School and/or Public Library.)
- **\$2000 – to support the LBP Angel Fund. This fund is put aside to support families who may need financial support throughout the year for school related events.**
- **\$1500 – to purchase a new LBP tent, to be used at outdoor events like cross country and track & field**
- **\$1100 – Cross Country Busing**
- **\$6250 – to support the YRDSB cost sharing program. This program is organized by the board, and helps support the purchasing of new technology for LPB. The board matches funds, dollar for dollar, up to \$6250.**

THANK YOU TO OUR COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!!!

ESCS - REMINDER

Student voice is important to us. From November 12 to 30, 2018, the York Region District School Board will invite all students to participate in the ***Every Student Counts Survey (ESCS)***.

The purpose of this census survey is to better understand YRDSB's diverse student population as well as students' experiences in school and outside of school. The survey results will be used to help improve our schools and to:

- Identify and eliminate systemic barriers to student success;
- Create more equitable and inclusive school environments; and,
- Improve student achievement and well-being.

All students will be given the opportunity to participate. Accessibility options will be available for any student who needs assistance completing the survey.

- For students in **Kindergarten to Grade 6**, the survey has been sent home to be completed with a parent/guardian.
- Students in **Grades 7-12** have been invited to complete the census at their school.



PLEASE SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT SURVEY.....our current Response Rate: 24.1%

YRDSB Human Rights Commissioner

York Region District School Board is committed to creating safe, equitable and inclusive learning and working environments. As part of this commitment, the Board established a Human Rights Commissioner's Office (HRCO).

The HRCO was created in response to a growing awareness that a space was needed within the school board environment to effectively address issues of discrimination and harassment specific to the Human Rights Code.

The HRCO is an arms-length office for Human Rights Code compliance under the Board's Human Rights Policy.

The HRCO website provides the YRDSB community access to important information related to human rights, a confidential complaint reporting process and contact information for the office.

The website can be found at www.yrdsb.ca/hrco.

HAND WASHING

Please review
correct
handwashing
procedures
with your
children.

We want to
keep everyone
feeling well as
we move into
flu and cold
season.



BOYS VOLLEYBALL UPDATE – AREA TOURNAMENT student reflection

The intermediate boys' volleyball team had an exciting first four games at the area tournament on November 15th. The boys played incredible, winning by scores of 25-18, 25-4, 25-17, 25-17, breezing by the round robin. The semis came, and we had to play Aurora Heights. The boys spiked hard battling for every point, but in the end lost 25-18 and 25-17. Afterwards the team played for 3rd place against Hartman. All the boys agreed to share the spotlight and let everyone play. They won the first set then lost the second battle to win the third, but coming up short once again. Thank you to all the boys for leaving it all out on the court and cheering on their teammates: Jack H., Charlie B., Stefan C., Gianluca M., Graham C., Daniel Z., Dillan C., Colin S., Nathan L., Owen N., Tyler P., Will D.

By Tyler P.



Lost and Found Items

Lost and found items have been placed outside of the office for families who are visiting the school during interviews this week. The items will be out for pickup until December 7th. After this date, we will be donating any remaining items to a local charity.



KERNELS FUNDRAISER UPDATE

We thank you for your support in the popcorn fundraiser at LBP. Due to product restrictions at Kernels, we are only able to offer students two flavour choices at this time: *Buttersalt and Ketchup*. Popcorn will still be delivered to your child on the days indicated, and they will be given a choice of those flavours at that time. If the rest of the flavours become available in the upcoming weeks, your child will receive the flavour they originally chose.

We apologize for any inconvenience, and thank-you again for your support in our popcorn fundraiser!

