



PARENT BULLETIN

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Week of December 18th to 22th, 2017



Peer Tutoring is available to all Grade 9 students on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Period 3 in the Library. Come join us!

Special Activities This Month

- SAC Holiday Door Decorating contest—December 11th to 20th.
- Robotics Cocoa Gram Sales—Dec 11th to Dec 21st., Blue Zone.
- Champions of Change - Holiday Food Drive—December 11th-22nd, Blue Zone Periods 3 & 4.
- Coat Drive—December 11th to Jan. 31st, Room #119.
- Yearbook Sales Blitz—December 18th to December 22nd—10:55 am to 1:30 pm in Blue Zone.

Monday, Dec. 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Music to Randolph Academy, leaving 8:15 am., leaving location at 1:20 pm. –Mr. Caswell.• Grad Re-Take Picture Day (book appointment in main office prior to Dec. 18th) photos will be taken in the Library• Grade 12 Art Installation Show through out the school from period 2 to 4 - Ms. Roselle
Tuesday, Dec. 19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Holiday Run for Sick Kids starts 9:30 am & the event finishes up by 11:00 am - Mr. Morrison• Peer Tutoring for all Grade 9 students during lunch (period 3) in the Library.• Boys Hockey to Markham Village, leaving 1:30 pm, vs. Richmond Green at 2:30 pm - Mr. Gasteiger• Homework Club meeting after school in the Library. See message on page 2 of this bulletin – Mrs. Wheatley• Jr. Girls Volleyball to St. Augustine, leaving at 2:30 pm, vs. St. Brother Andre-3:30 pm, St. Augustine-4:30 pm - Mr. Barber• Sr. Girls Volleyball home games, vs. Bill Crothers-3:30 pm, St. Maximilliam-4:30 pm - Mr. Sareen• Music Dept. Holiday Bash in the cafetorium—5-9 pm - Mr. Caswell
Wednesday, Dec. 20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Locker clean out.• SAC holiday door decoration judging.• Candy Kabob Sales in the Blue Zone 10:50-11:40 (P3) & 1:35-2:20 (P5)-Ms. Lovell & Mr. Sareen• DECA Meeting, 3:00 pm - Mrs. Webber• Volleyball Tournament in Gymnasium 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm. - Ms. Morrison, Mr. Morris, Ms. Whittaker
Thursday, Dec. 21st	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peer tutoring for all Grade 9 students during lunch (period 3) in the Library.• SAC holiday assembly dress rehearsal, after school.• Mock Trial Club meeting, 3:00 pm in Room 226.-Ms. Sharma• Homework Club meeting after school in the Library. See message on page 2 of this bulletin – Mrs. Wheatley• Coaches Classic 4:00 to 5:00 at Mount Joy.• MDHS Girls Basketball Alumni Game in gymnasium 6 pm to 8:30 pm.— Ms. Morrison• Varsity Marauders Annual Football Awards Dinner 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Room 151— Mr. Pritty
Friday, Dec. 22nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SAC Holiday Assemblies in the cafetorium during periods 1, 2, and 3.• SAC Spirit Day-Tacky Sweater Day.• Happy Holidays!! First day back to school is Monday January 8th.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday, December 25 - Significant Faith Day - Christmas• Tuesday, December 26 - Boxing Day• Monday, January 1 - New Year's Eve• Sunday, January 7 - Significant Faith Day - Christmas (Eastern)

Upcoming Events: January 8– January 12, 2018

Monday Jan. 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Happy New Year and Welcome Back!• Regular schedule of classes resume
Tuesday, Jan. 9th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peer tutoring for all Grade 9 students during lunch (period 3) in the Library.• Math League in Room 224 at 3:00 pm.• Computer Science Club meeting after school in room 155 - Mr. Berry• Jr. Girls Volleyball home game, vs. Middlefield 3:30 pm, St. Augustine 4:30 pm -Mr. Barber
Wednesday, Jan. 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• University Application deadline.• DECA Meeting, 3:00 pm - Mrs. Webber
Thursday, Jan. 11th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exam review outlines shared with students.• Peer tutoring for all Grade 9 students during lunch (period 3) in the Library.• Boys Hockey to Elgin Barrow Arena, leaving 1 pm. vs. Jean Vanier at 2:30 pm, leaving location at 4:15 pm –Mr. Gasteiger• Ski Club to Horseshoe, leaving 2:30 pm, leaving location 8:30 pm—Ms. Webber• Mock Trial Club meeting, 3:00 pm in Room 226.• Computer Science Club meeting after school in Room 155— Mr. Berry
Friday Jan. 12th	



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ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Parents/Guardians are reminded to report all late or absent notices to the Attendance Office by calling 905-294-1886, option 1 or emailing markham.dhs@yrdsb.ca.

Should your student be absent for more than 3 days, an extended absence form must be signed by each subject teacher, parent/guardian and the Vice-Principal prior to leaving on vacation.



Messages from Guidance

Attention all guardians/ parent and students! Now is the time to make your course changes for semester 2. Courses are starting to fill up quickly, so if you're thinking of making a change, please make an appointment with your guidance counsellor as soon as possible. When semester 2 begins, course changes will be limited and no elective courses will be changed. Thank you, the guidance team.

Any grade 12 student who has outstanding community hours is asked to submit all missing hours as soon as possible. If hours still need to be completed, please come to the guidance office or begin looking for volunteer opportunities. The holiday break is coming up and this is a great chance to give back to your community! If you need help, please come to the Guidance office.

Any grade 12 student planning on applying to University for September 2018, the application deadline is Wednesday, January 17. Please try and get your applications completed over the holidays!

Upcoming SHSM Events include:

Wishing everyone a wonderful and safe holiday. For SHSM students, continue to check your gapps email for exciting new opportunities in 2018 along with checking the SHSM bulletin board outside of guidance. First AID/CPR training for semester 2 will take place on February 20 & 21 and permission forms will be available in January.

Grade 10 students interested in signing up for SHSM for September 2018 or learning about SHSM are encouraged to speak to Mr. Weinstein.

Message from Homework Club

It is time for the Homework Club to start up again. If your child is looking for a supportive environment in which to complete homework, or work on assignments, the homework club is the place to be. We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays after school in the library. All students are welcome. A staff supervisor will be there to help with ideas and time management issues. If you have any questions, please email sarah.wheatley@yrdsb.ca. Mrs. Wheatley (see page 9).

Student Athletic Association (SAA)

Congratulations to the winners of Athlete of the Season!

From:

Jr. Boys Soccer—Umen Uma

Jr. Girls Basketball—Elysia Wang

Sr. Boys Varsity Football—Brendan Seaver-Sutton

Sr. Girls Basketball, Avery Torok.

Yearbook Club

All Members of the MDHS Community:

This is your last chance to buy a yearbook at the early bird price of \$45.00. The sale ends Dec 22nd.

You can purchase it through cash on line or a cheque payable to the school. -Ms. Bennett

Lost and Found

If your child has lost any small items (i.e. Pandora bracelet, other jewelry, cell phone, keys, eye glasses) please have them come to the main office to claim them.



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Message from DECA

The DECA Provincial Competition is February 8-10. Students attending this competition must attend a mandatory meeting on **Wednesday, January 10** to receive all required Field Trip forms/Code of Behaviour information. Colleen Webber, DECA Staff Advisor (colleen.sheardown-webber@yrdsb.ca)

Ski & Snowboard Club

The first Ski & Snowboard Club outing is scheduled for Thursday, January 11 to Horseshoe Resort. Students should bring their equipment to the east side of MDHS for storage before 8:10 am. Students will be dismissed from class at 2:15 pm to retrieve their equipment and load the coach bus. Students will be picked up at MDHS at 10 pm, upon our return. Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow.....

Advisors: Colleen Webber, Donna Flowers, Dustin More, Tyler Murphy, Tara Kapeluch, Kristin Towns, Allison Sebastian, Graham Fife, Nai Zhang

Messages from Special Education Department

Students with SEA technology please see the flyer on page 4 regarding the Ignite Technology Grant. More information can be found on www.yrdsb.ca/ignite

Message from the Co-op department

Students that are interested in volunteering at Markham Stouffville Hospital in the summer of 2018 are strongly encouraged to submit their applications by the end of this semester, directly to the hospital. This experience will be beneficial to students who are interested in a placement in a medical setting for their Co-op placements. - Mr. Butler

Please see the attached poster on page 7 regarding MDHS's Co-op website.

Message from York Region Public Health

Flu Season is on its way. Are you Ready? See flyer on page 8.

Family Studies

The Grade 9 students in Mrs. More's Exploring Family Studies class are sewing up a storm as they put their skills to work creating Pajama Shorts as part of their Clothing Unit. This follows a month of baking and cooking up some culinary wonders as part of our Foods Unit. They have added many new tools and techniques to their "survival" repertoire! They might even be inclined to whip up some holiday goodies for family and friends!

IGNITE TECHNOLOGY GRANT

FOR STUDENTS WITH SEA TECHNOLOGY



The Ignite Technology Grant is designed to create **leadership opportunities**, hone **communication skills**, and increase **self-esteem** for students with SEA equipment within their school community.

The goal is to bring **awareness** to the effective and successful use of technology in our Modern Learning environment.

Ignite your school and community now!
Go to www.yrdsb.ca/ignite now to learn how!

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Markham District H.S. is accepting online payments through School Cash ONLINE!

School Cash Online provides the following benefits:

- A convenient fee payment option that saves time
- Reduces paper
- No more need to send cash or cheques to school
- A quick way to register. It takes less than 5 minutes to register.

Parents that opt to participate will receive notification via email of student fees owed (both required and optional), and can make secure online payments by credit card or Interac and receive a receipt.

To view a presentation about the program, go to <http://www.kevsoftware.com/movies/ParentRegEnglish/>.

Follow the easy steps on the next page to register and get started!



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Step 1: Register

Click on the School Cash Online button on our school's website
<http://MarkhamDistrict.HS.yrdsb.ca/>
and select the **"Get Started Today"** button.

Complete each of the three Registration Steps

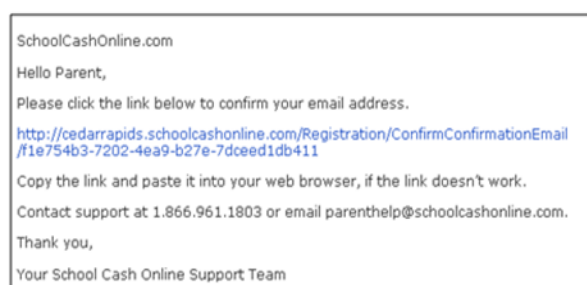
***For Security Reasons your password, requires 8 characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.**



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Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be automatically forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account. The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.



Step 3: Find Student

NOTE: A STUDENT NUMBER IS REQUIRED

This step will connect your children to your account.

Enter the School Board Name

Enter the School Name

Enter Your Child's Student # and Last Name

Select **Continue**

On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select **Continue**
Your child has been added to your account

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select **"Add Another Student"** option and repeat the steps above. 5 children can be added to one parent account.

If you do not wish to add additional children, select **"View Items For Students"** option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

NEED HELP?

If you require assistance, select the **GET HELP** option in the top right hand corner of the screen or contact School Cash Online – Parent Help Desk at 1-866-961-1803 or parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com.



Test drive a career!

MDHSCO-OP.COM



Flu Season is on its way – are you ready?



Flu season is nearly here. Be prepared by getting the flu shot as early as possible.

The first and best step to preventing influenza (the flu), is to get the flu shot every year. Influenza spreads quickly and easily from an infected person to others.

Everyone six months of age and older can get the flu shot.

Flu shots are available at:

- Health care provider's offices for people six months of age and older
- Participating pharmacies, for people five years of age and older

Visit ontario.ca/flu to find where you can get the flu shot.

How can the flu be avoided?

- Get the flu shot!
- [Wash your hands](#) well and often with soap and warm water. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcohol-based [hand sanitizer](#)
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze and throw the tissue out immediately. Wash your hands afterward. Cough into your upper sleeve if you don't have a tissue.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Avoid large crowds and stay home when you are sick
- Keep common surfaces and items clean and disinfected

To learn more about flu and the flu vaccine visit york.ca/flu

Community and Health Services
Public Health



MDHS Homework Club

**DO YOU STRUGGLE WITH TIME
MANAGEMENT?**

WOULD YOU PREFER TO RE-

LAX WHEN YOU GET HOME?

IS GETTING STARTED ON A

PROJECT DIFFICULT?

COME TO THE LIBRARY EVERY

TUESDAY AND THURSDAY AF-

TER SCHOOL FOR A SUP-

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