



# PARENT EDITION

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## CHARACTER TRAITS: NOVEMBER 2016 (HONESTY)

**HONESTY**— We behave in a sincere, trustworthy, and truthful manner

### Week of October 31—November 4 2016

October 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>SAC Halloween Activities</li><li>DECA Online MC Business Competency Test, 3-4:15 pm, R# 164, 213, 229, 230-Ms Webber</li><li>Sr. &amp; Jr. Girls Basketball @ home, Sr. game 3:30pm vs. PET, Jr. game 4:45pm vs. St Rob</li><li>Jr. Boys Soccer @ Quarter Finals to Cardinal Carter, game 3pm - Mr. Sugden</li></ul>
November 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li></li></ul>
November 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Gr9 Take your Kid to Work Day</li><li>Gr.8 Take your Kid to High School Day</li><li>History to Kadampa Meditation Centre, leaving 9am, leaving location 1:30pm - Mr. Gasteiger</li><li>Swim Team to Pan Am Centre all day - Ms. Towns</li><li>Sr. Boys Volleyball @ home, games 3:30pm vs. MM &amp; 4:30pm vs. PET - Mr. Barber</li></ul>
November 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No Gr.10 Trips due to Civics/Careers Summative till Nov9</li><li>Canadian Open Mathematics Challenge</li><li>Last day Photographer will be here for Graduation Pictures</li><li>Parent-Teacher Interviews Night ***new time***<b>6:00pm to 8:00pm***</b></li></ul>
November 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Football home game @ 1:30pm vs. MAX - Mr. Pritty &amp; Mr. Earle</li><li>SAA &amp; SAC HOCO event @ 2:15pm</li><li>Movie Night 'Emperor's Club' in Drama Room #151 from 3-5pm - Mr. McLaren</li></ul>

### Upcoming Events: Week of November 7-11 2016

November 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sr. Boys Volleyball to Middlefield, games 3:30pm &amp; 4:30pm - Mr. Barber</li></ul>
November 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Math League, After School, Room #223 - Mr. Mitchell</li></ul>
November 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Drama to 'Survive the Night' show, leaving 9am, leaving location 1:30pm - Ms. Duncan</li></ul>
November 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Elementary Volleyball Tournament from 6-9pm in Gym - Ms. Morrison</li><li>Best Buddy Chapter's First Meet and Greet, Rm#107/108 from 10:50am-1:30pm - Ms. Ip</li><li>Varsity Football YRAA Semi-Finals</li><li>Royal Winter Agricultural Fair trip, leaving 8:30am, leaving location 1:45pm - Ms. More</li><li>SAC Spirit Day</li></ul>
November 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Remembrance Day Assemblies</li></ul>

November 13-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ontario Student leadership Conference, leaving 11am, returning Tuesday November 15 4pm</li></ul>
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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](mailto: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.**





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## From Office

SAC has planned some fun Halloween activities for students to participate in on Monday. Please ensure that if your child plans to wear a costume that no masks, replica weapons, or costumes not meeting our dress code are permitted.

## SAA & SAC HOCO Event

The event will begin at 2:15, please ensure that all students go to class for attendance before attending festivities. This event will include Football and Basketball games, and an assortment of food, prices may vary. The administration and staff of Markham District High School do not sanction students attending any before or after HOCO activities. As the HOCO is a school-sponsored event, the school code of conduct and all rules and procedures are in effect during the event. In particular, the use of or the possession of alcohol or illegal substances is not permitted at York Region District School Board events. This is a current student body event.

## From Math Dept

The \$10 fee for the Canadian Intermediate/Senior Mathematics Contest is due by the end of the day on Wednesday, November 2, 2016. You may pay using "Cash Online" or have the money given directly to your child's math teacher. Any grade 9 students planning to pay cash for this contest are recommended to pay by Tuesday as they will likely be away from school on Wednesday for "Take Our Kids To Work Day."

The above contest will be written here are MDHS during the morning of Wednesday, November 23, 2016 and will run for two hours. The exact start time and location will be dependent upon how many students register for the contest. This information will be provided to all entrants via their parent's email at least a week prior to the contest.

## From DECA - MDHS's Premier Business Club!!

DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in Marketing, Finance, Hospitality and Management. Registration is now complete and DECA has 111 members for the 2016/7 school year. Your son/daughter paid the \$35 fee, which paid for his/her registration and admission to the York Region Competition. Competition categories have been assigned based on collaboration with the members. Students had a choice of Individual Role Plays, Team Decision Making Role Plays, and Written Research Projects.

We held our first Membership Meeting and Training Session on Monday, October 24, with additional Training taking place after school on Wednesday. This "Competency Training" was designed to assist the members in the first component of the York Region Competition, the **Online MC Competency Test. This online test will take place on Monday, October 31 from 3-4:15 in the school computer labs.** The second component of the York Region Competition is the Role Play aspect, which will take place on **Sunday, November 27 at Ryerson University**, 55 Dundas Street West. The time frames for this event are 9:00-5:00 (includes the Awards Ceremony), although there is flexibility. A more detailed Itinerary will be distributed once it is available online. We are asking students to arrange for their own transportation for this event, and carpooling is an option! If you are interested in being a judge at this competition, I have a letter that your son/daughter can take home to you. Information can also be found on the DECA-Ontario website at [2016.deca.ca](http://2016.deca.ca) or [www.deca.ca](http://www.deca.ca). Additional training will continue throughout November to prepare students for their DECA "journey".

Students participating in the Entrepreneurship Written Projects are required to attend mandatory workshops on either Sunday, November 13 at Seneca College, Newnham Campus, or on Saturday, November 12 at SJAMSS in Waterloo. These students do not attend the Regional on November 27 at Ryerson.

Students who qualify at the Regionals will then be offered the opportunity to compete at the DECA Provincial Competition being held from February 9-11, 2017 at the Sheraton Hotel and Convention Centre in Toronto. Traditionally MDHS has chosen to stay overnight for this competition; however, details have not been finalized. Additional fees for this commitment will be collected in December.

If you have any questions about DECA, please contact Ms. Colleen Webber at 905-294-1886; Ext. 167, Voicemail 368, or through email at [colleen.sheardown-webber@yrdsb.ca](mailto:colleen.sheardown-webber@yrdsb.ca).



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## From Guidance

On Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> all of the grade eight students from our feeder schools will be coming to Markham District High School. This transition to high school event gives Grade 8 students a chance to experience a typical day in high school. Students will follow a Grade 9 timetable and have an opportunity to meet the administrators, teachers and guidance counsellors. During the day, they will hear about supports available for a smooth transition to Markham District H.S.

The Guidance department is please to introduce to students and parents *The Scholarship Report* -- a **bi-monthly, online newsletter**.

Here is how *The Scholarship Report* will be useful to you:

- The scholarships are formatted by deadline date and listed 1.5 months before the deadline resulting in a more efficient listing of information – listings are curated, up-to-date and current.
- It provide tips to guide students in how to apply for scholarships.
- It supplies information on other sources of funding: bursaries, awards, loans, etc.
- The newsletter provides other postsecondary information: deadlines, fairs, etc.

**To sum up, *The Scholarship Report* delivers pertinent information regarding multiple areas of postsecondary matters (funding, tips, deadlines, etc.) all in one place. Please have a look at the issue for October & November.**

<http://seekingscholarships.com/the-scholarship-report-october-november-2016/>

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## VIMY RIDGE 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour – April 6-15<sup>th</sup> 2017.

**Due to popular demand, we've extended our deadline to register for the VIMY 100th Anniversary Tour, and we are now also accepting Grade 9 students to join the tour.** This 10-day excursion will include a variety of sites in London, France and Belgium, including a series of exclusive WWI memorial sites offered specifically to our group. A special online app has also been created that will enable parents to follow the tour remotely, as their child travels between **Vimy Ridge, The Flanders Fields Museum, The beaches of Dieppe and Normandy**, just to name a few. Detailed information including cost, itinerary, important dates and more, is available at <http://www.Explorica.ca/Towns-789><http://www.Explorica.ca/>

**Interested students are to see Ms. Towns or Mr. Morris ASAP for an information package!**



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## Parent Engagement & Network (P.E.N.) Workshop Series (Mandarin only)

### Workshop 3: Internet Safety 網絡安全講座

What are the potential risk of the cyber world? 網絡世界面面觀

Internet safety tips for parents & children 網絡安全溫馨提示一二三

Communicate with your child about internet use 与孩子沟通(网络使用)

Cyber law 網絡與法律

Sharing of Resources & Tools 資源分享

**Date 日期:** Thursday, November 3, 2016 11月03日 (星期四)

**Time 時間:** 6:00—8:00pm 下午6時至8時

\*light dinner will provided at 5:45pm 下午5時45分开始提供简单晚餐

**Language 語言:** Mandarin 普通话

**Location 地點:** Markham South Welcome Centre 南萬錦迎新中心 (7220 Kennedy Road, Unit 8, Markham, L3R 7P2)

**Speaker 講員:** Constable Zhou (York Regional Police約克區警方)

**Registration 網上報名:** <https://goo.gl/VBnqb2>

**Inquires 查詢:** Wai Chi Wu (駐校安居社工吳姑娘) 416-566-1733

Cathy Ng (吳老師) 905-884-2046 ext. 267

This program is organized & facilitated by:



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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.

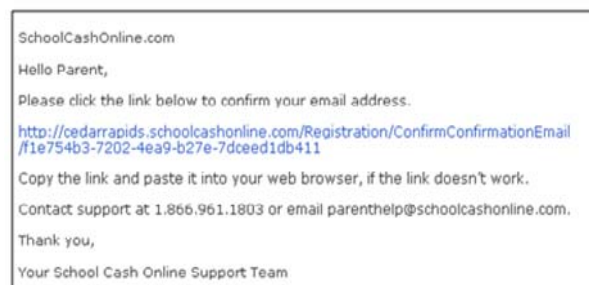
Complete each of the three Registration Steps

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



## 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](mailto:parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com).