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Friday, October 05, 2018

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)



### ABSENTEE PHOTO DAY TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup>

Did a student in your household miss Photo Day? Photographers from Edge Imaging will be coming back to the school on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. This will be the last chance for a photo this semester. No retakes will be offered.



### MAKE A COMMITMENT TO WALK THIS OCTOBER

IWALK month started on **October 3, 2018**. International Walk to School Month (IWALK) is an annual mass celebration of active transportation taking place around the world every October. The benefits of walking include:

- Helps prepare children for learning
- Keeps students physically and mentally fit
- Builds friendships
- Improves air quality and the environment
- Creates safer neighbourhoods

Join the movement! We encourage all our staff and students to Walk or Wheel for the month of October.

### EVERY STUDENT COUNTS SURVEY

In November 2018, 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. Families with a child in Kindergarten to Grade 6 will be invited to complete the survey online with their child at home. Students in Grades 7-12 will be invited to complete the survey online during class time. If you are a parent/guardian of child(ren) in Grades 7-12 and do **not** want them to participate in the survey, please contact CCI Research at 1-866-450-4907 **no later than October 9, 2018**.

The surveys are voluntary and confidential. Information about the surveys and the process is available at [www.yrdsb.ca/escs](http://www.yrdsb.ca/escs). This important initiative will help us work together to create equitable and inclusive school environments.

### DONALD COUSENS PUBLIC SCHOOL 10<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



**DONALD  
COUSENS  
PUBLIC SCHOOL**

All DCPS Alumni are invited to join  
us for our

## 10th Anniversary Celebration

**10 YEARS OF AWESOME!**

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

5:30 pm - Opening Remarks in the Gym

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Open House &  
Outdoor Entertainment

Donald Cousens P.S.

315 Mingay Ave.

### PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEW NIGHT

Parent-Teacher Interview Night will be held on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm. The Parent-Teacher Interview Night schedule opened for booking using the [EDSBY](#) platform on October 4<sup>th</sup>. An invitation to book appointments has been sent to your [EDSBY](#) mailbox. If you do not have an [EDSBY](#) account, please contact your child's classroom teacher to book an appointment time.

### RENEWED COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY – PILOT PROJECT

Renewed Computer Technology is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that empowers learners, educators, and not-for-profit organizations with access to affordable, renewed computers to help meet education and career goals. Markville Secondary School has been offered the opportunity to take part in a program that offers either a renewed desktop or laptop computer to families with a limited income at a greatly reduced price. Desktops and laptops are loaded with Windows 10 and MS Office. Please [click here](#) for more details.

### TAKE OUR KID(S) TO WORK DAY – WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup>

Forms were distributed to Grade 9 students this week to be returned by Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Take Our Kid(s) to Work Day is an important opportunity for students to get a greater appreciation for the working world. It is a valuable experience for students to not only see how the important adults in their lives spend their days, but start to figure out where they see themselves in the future. Students will have the opportunity to share their experiences in some of their classes.

### TWEET OF THE WEEK



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Way to go, Markville!!! Our own Eco Club members, Winnie Lin, Alena Párkinson, Rachel Ruffo, Florence Sy, and James Yuan, got 2nd place at the Envirothon provincials!! Yesterday they were celebrated at the Board's Applause session. Thank you to their teacher, Ms. Sabrina Liu.



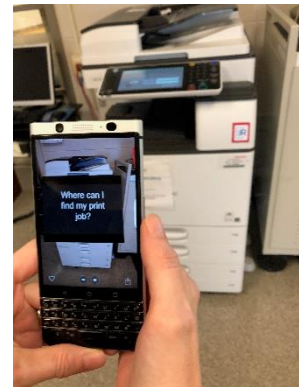
### DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

## LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS

All Grade 9 classes were invited to participate in an interactive orientation to the Library Learning Commons over the past two weeks. This is part of the transition activities for students as they adjust to high school life. We used the [HP Reveal](#) app to explore the Library, which allowed students to learn about the spaces, resources, guidelines, helpful information, and all the cool stuff the Library has available. Students were then invited to fill out a Google Quiz to test their new knowledge. If you would like to see an example of how the [HP Reveal](#) app works, follow these simple instructions – or ask a Grade 9 student to show you if they haven't done so already!

1. Download the HP Reveal app (it's free)
2. Sign up for a free account – if you would prefer not to have your own account, you can sign into our general library one:
  - Username: GenLib
  - Password: 407lib
3. Follow us by searching for: mssllibrary (the one with the most likes)
4. Click on the blue view button at the bottom of the page.
5. Point your phone or device at any Markville Student Card and you should see a video start.

The HP Reveal app is also used in Markville SS yearbooks. This is a great introduction to augmented reality and its uses.




### Upcoming Events

DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics
MONDAY, OCT 8 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• THANKSGIVING DAY – NO SCHOOL</li> </ul>				
TUESDAY, OCT 9 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Absentee Photo Day</li> </ul>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stratford Festival Field Trip</li> </ul>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varsity Boys Soccer (2:40pm – 5:15pm)</li> </ul>				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girls Field Hockey (3:30pm – 5:30pm)</li> </ul>				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Senior Girls Basketball (4:00pm – 5:30pm)</li> </ul>
WEDNESDAY, OCT 10 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kensington Market Field Trip</li> <li>Senior Boys Volleyball (2:30pm – 5:15pm)</li> <li>Junior Girls Basketball (3:00pm – 5:30pm)</li> <li>College / University Fair at Unionville High School (6:30pm – 8:30pm)</li> </ul>
THURSDAY, OCT 11 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mock Disaster Trip (8:25am -3:30pm)</li> <li>Junior Boys Volleyball (2:40pm – 5:10pm)</li> <li>Senior Girls Basketball (2:45pm – 5:30pm)</li> <li>Junior Girls Basketball (3:00pm – 5:30pm)</li> <li>Varsity Boys Soccer Home Game (3:00pm – 5:15pm)</li> <li>Girls Field Hockey (3:10pm – 5:00pm)</li> </ul>
FRIDAY, OCT 12 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Senior Boys Volleyball Tournament</li> </ul>

Looking for Volunteer Opportunities? Come visit the Guidance Office, or check out these helpful links:

	<a href="#">Student Volunteer Opportunities</a>		<a href="#">Volunteer Opportunities</a>
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Lunch Time Tutoring – Library Learning Commons, Mondays and Wednesdays – Periods 3 and 4  
 After School Tutoring – Room 345, Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:00pm – 4:00 pm

If you have any questions, please email your child's vice-principal: [michael.vlachopoulos@yrdsb.ca](mailto:michael.vlachopoulos@yrdsb.ca) for students with surnames A – LIM, or [kathy.mcalpine@yrdsb.ca](mailto:kathy.mcalpine@yrdsb.ca) for students with surnames LIN– Z

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