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Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin



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Friday, October 12, 2018

IMPORTANT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

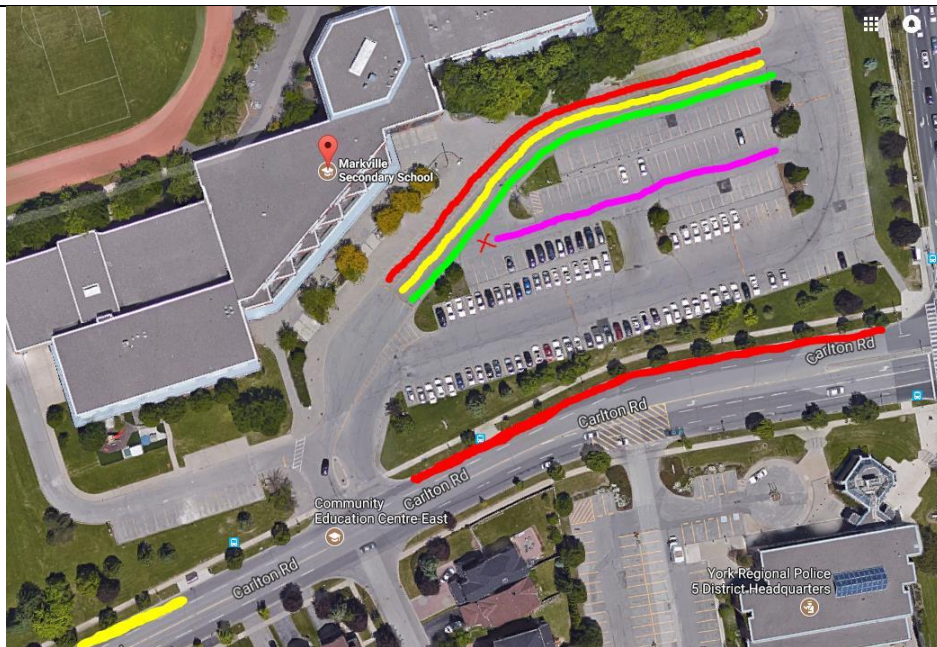
Grade 12 Student Arthur Chen placed 2nd in the OBEA (Ontario Business Educators' Association) Accounting Contest in May 2018. On September 29th Arthur was honoured at the OBEA award ceremony Congratulations on your achievement Arthur!



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

BREAKING NEWS – PARKING LOT SAFETY

Earlier this morning we had an incident in the parking lot. A driver, who dropped off their child incorrectly in the bus only lane, went to leave and very nearly hit another student who had also just been dropped off. This is a very serious issue that needs to be addressed. When you are dropping students off it is your responsibility to make sure you are in the correct lane – the only acceptable spot is the middle lane, marked in yellow on the picture below. Do not park or drop students off in the bus / emergency vehicles only lane, marked in red below. Once a student has been dropped off, please look around you before pulling away. This incident happened at 7:00 am, long before the school rush began. The rules for dropping students off remain the same no matter what time of day it is. The safety of our students and staff is of the utmost importance. Please help us keep them safe by following the correct drop off and pick up procedures. Drive Safely!



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.

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

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEW NIGHT

Parent-Teacher Interview Night will be held on **Wednesday, October 17th** from 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm. The Parent-Teacher Interview Night schedule opened for booking using the [EDSBY](#) platform on October 4th. 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.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

In an effort to support our students and families in Mental Wellness, please [click here](#) to access an informational document outlining various signs, strategies, and community Mental Health resources. Of course, please always feel free to connect with a Caring Adult at MSS for support, as wellness in ourselves and our loved ones 'takes a village.' This document is also available on our school website under [News & Events](#) and the link will be included in each weekly e-bulletin going forward.

TWEET OF THE WEEK

Markville is a caring & safe school. #YRDSB provides a reporting feature on all of its schools' websites. We are listening. #LearnMore <https://bit.ly/2NC9235>



Markville's Specialist High Skills Major students were witness to @MarkhamPARTY MOCK DISASTER event with @MarkhamFire, @MSHospital & @YorkParamedics displaying their incredible skills. #DriveSafe #SHSM



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DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

BE HEARD SPOKEN WORD FESTIVAL



On Thursday October 11th, Markville Library Learning Commons was home to the 13th Annual **Be Heard Spoken Word Festival**, hosted by English Department Head, Ms Bozabalian. Aspiring writers in Grades 9-12 from across the school board took in the performances and wisdom of renowned spoken word performers (and both former Spoken Word Champions) Jillian Christmas and Brendan MacLeod. Students spent the morning absorbing poetic techniques during writing activities, and refining new pieces with peer editors. They also had the chance to explore the nuances of performance, and apply them to their own work, through a variety of dramatic activities. In the afternoon, students from four YRDSB secondary schools (Alexander Mackenzie HS, Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS, Richmond Hill HS, and Markville SS) listened to and shared newly polished work during the Festival of Student Voices. It was an inspiring, challenging and rewarding day. Thanks for continuing to make yourselves heard, YRDSB!



Upcoming Events

DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics
MONDAY, OCT. 15 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varsity Tennis Tournament (8:30am – 3:30pm) Junior Boys Volleyball (2:30pm – 5:00pm) Senior Boys Volleyball (3:30pm – 5:30pm) 				
TUESDAY, OCT. 16 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varsity Boys Soccer (2:45pm – 5:15pm) Senior Girls Basketball (3:30pm – 4:45pm) Junior Girls Basketball (4:45pm – 6:00pm) 				
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October Literacy Task (11:05am – 12:20pm) Girls Field Hockey (2:10pm – 4:00pm) Junior Boys Volleyball (2:40pm – 5:10pm) Senior Boys Volleyball (2:40pm – 6:00pm) Senior Wind Ensemble – Guest Conductor Travis Cross (4:00pm – 6:00pm) Parent – Teacher Interviews (6:30pm – 8:30pm) 				
THURSDAY, OCT. 18 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Music Celebration Swim Team Tournament – Markham Pan Am Centre (7:15am – 2:15pm) Senior Girls Basketball (3:00pm – 5:30pm) 				
FRIDAY, OCT. 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluate Your Life Day 				
MONDAY, OCT. 22 nd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PA DAY – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS 				

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

	Student Volunteer Opportunities		Volunteer Opportunities
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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 for students with surnames A – LIM, or kathy.mcalpine@yrdsb.ca for students with surnames LIN– Z

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