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IMPORTANT RESOURCES

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](#)

LITERACY

We are nearing the end of the Literacy Blitz lessons with only one more to go next week. These lessons are designed to support students' learning and help them practice for the long writing tasks on the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test.

On Wednesday, March 4th during Period 3, all Grade 10 classes participated in a Literacy Blitz activity which focused on teaching students how to organize their thoughts and prepare to write a "Series of Opinion Paragraphs".

Any student not in a Grade 10 class during this period has been instructed to access the lesson and activities in the "Markville Google Classroom".

[Click here](#) to view the Literacy Blitz lesson that was presented this week in Grade 10, Period 2 classes. Literacy Blitz lessons will be posted to our [website](#), on the new [Literacy Resources](#) page, under the [News & Events](#) tab.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SPRING OPEN HOUSES

The Guidance department has put together these great lists of all the Spring open houses at Ontario Colleges and Universities. Now that the time to make a final decision is getting closer, it is a wonderful time to visit the different campuses and have your child get a feel for where they may be spending the next few years. This can be an important step in the decision making process.

- [College Open Houses](#)
- [University Open Houses](#)

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

PARENT – TEACHER INTERVIEW NIGHT

Parent-Teacher Interview Night will be held on Wednesday, April 1st. Markville Secondary School will be using [EDSBY](#), an online platform, to manage our Parents' Night scheduling.

Families will need to create an [EDSBY](#) account to access the online appointment scheduler for their child's teachers for Parents' Night. An invitation to [EDSBY](#) was sent by email on Wednesday, February 26th to Parents / Guardians without an [EDSBY](#) account. Instructions on how to create an account were included. Please check your junk mail folder if you do not receive an invitation.

Important Timelines

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| Thursday, March 12 | Interim Report Cards sent home. |
| Friday, March 13 | Parents' Night schedule is opened for booking at 9:00 am; an invitation to book appointments through Edsby will be sent to your email inbox. |
| Wednesday, April 1 | Parents' Night (6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.) |

2020 MARCH BREAK YOUTH ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

The York Regional Police would like to invite YRDSB students to apply to be part of a Youth Engagement Program during the upcoming March Break. Interested students can expect to have a week of learning and get to experience a small portion of what the recruitment process may be like when applying to York Regional Police. The week includes a physical fitness component which all participants will be involved in. This program is designed to assist students in gaining self-confidence, self-discipline, self-awareness, and resiliency. Students must complete an essay with their application and have their own transportation to the program; public transit is not an option. Interested applicants can email csv@yrp.ca to request an application form.

For more information or further questions, please contact: Debbie Robinson #5459, Supervisor, Community Safety Village, York Regional Police. (email: csv@yrp.ca)

MARCH ECO THEME: TURN OFF COMPUTERS AND MONITORS

The Eco Theme for March highlights the energy that gets wasted when our computers and monitors remain on throughout the day and sometimes the night. Please remember to turn off your monitor when it is not in use, and to shut down your computers at night. This is also important for necessary updates your computers and laptops need to keep them running smoothly. The computers in our Library Learning Commons are all on timers that shut them down at the end of the day and turn them back on prior to the start of the school day. All of our loaner laptops are checked and shut down each day as well.

TURN OFF TO SAVE POWER



A computer that runs 24 hours a day uses more power than an energy-efficient refrigerator.
Turn off your computer and monitor when not in use.

TWEET OF THE WEEK



[@Markville_YRDSB](#)

2020 Yearbook Cover Competition is Now Open! Put your creative talents to work! Deadline March 30th 2020. See VP Vlachopoulos for details. [#markvilleyearbook](#)



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2020 Markville Yearbook Cover Art Competition

"Can you create Markville's best Yearbook cover?"

Put your creative talents to work designing the 2020 Markville Yearbook Cover - 30th Anniversary Edition!

Submission Deadline: March 30, 2020

Copyright: Your yearbook must not contain any material that is copyright protected. This includes items usually downloaded from the internet, like cartoon characters, logos and all text graphics such as "Sweet, Dreamy and others. Be sure all artwork is your own. Format: All artwork should be submitted digitally in pdf or png file format.

For more information, and to submit your final cover art design, see Mr. Vlachopoulos in the main office.

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

SKI AND SNOWBOARD TEAM

Markville's Alpine Ski and Snowboard Team had another fantastic season on the slopes, racing in the York Region Alpine Ski and Board race series. Despite some early mornings, the team always showed up excited to get outside and race. Here are the top results from the YRAA (York Region) Championships from our Markville athletes:

- **Girls Skiing:** Catherine Tse (20th)
- **Boys Skiing:** 5th Place Team (Edward Zhou, Shawn Hu, Kevin Guo, Rohan Garg, Kye Electriciteh, Matthew Wrong, Daniel Xiao, Amar Saini)
- **Girls Snowboarding:** Elina Zheng (8th), Jennifer Ying (14th), Karen Guo (15th). This team qualified for OFSAA on Feb. 27th and was also 3rd place overall in York Region!



MARKVILLE SS SEMI-FORMAL

On February 27th, Markville Student Council was pleased to host the annual semi-formal event at the Brighton Event Centre. SAC students worked tirelessly for months prior to the event to ensure everything from the food to Astroworld-themed decor, music and photobooth were carefully arranged. The result was an overwhelming success, and over 330 students were in attendance for the affair! The laughter and chatter of the students, dressed in their vibrant attire filled the banquet hall as they took (many!) selfies, and danced the night away. What great fun indeed!







Upcoming Events

| DATE | School News | Student Life | Arts | Sports & Clubs | Academics |
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| SUNDAY, MAR. 8 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daylight Savings Begins – Turn Your Clocks Ahead 1 Hour | | | | |
| MONDAY, MAR. 9 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth Day | | | | |
| TUESDAY, MAR. 10 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SHSM ICE Event (8:30am – 3:00pm) | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SNAP Hockey (9:30am – 1:30pm) | | | | |
| WEDNESDAY, MAR. 11 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relay Rally Assembly (8:20am – 9:30am) | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Literacy Blitz #4 – Period 5 (1:45pm – 3:00pm) | | | | |
| THURSDAY, MAR. 12 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interim Report Card Distribution – Period 1 | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poetry Presentation and Interactive Workshop (12:20pm – 3:00pm) | | | | |
| FRIDAY, MAR. 13 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAC (Student Activity Council) Rep Your Grade – Wear Green! | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EDSBY open for Parent-Teacher Interview Appointments | | | | |

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

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|  | 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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