

InspireLearning! Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin



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Friday, March 08, 2019

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

It is hard to believe that March has arrived. We have enjoyed an exciting year and we are now looking forward to the remaining few months of the school year. As always, we strive to continue our ongoing communication with parents and/or quardians, and we encourage you to stay involved and share your feedback with us. I would also like to invite you to our second Parent Engagement Night which will take place before our Parent-Teacher Interview Night on April 3rd. We are holding a Health and Wellness evening, where parents and guardians will have an opportunity to interact with community agencies and resources that can support our students. I would like once again to thank each and every one of you for your continued support of our Markville community. On behalf of the staff, we wish you all an enjoyable, restful and safe Spring Break!

~ Patricia Obadia





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.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

PARENT - TEACHER INTERVIEW NIGHT

Parent-Teacher Interview Night will be held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019. Markville Secondary School will be using Edsby, an online platform, to manage our Parents' Night scheduling.

Families who do not yet have one 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 through email on Wednesday, February 27, to parent/guardians without an Edsby account. Instructions on how to create an account were included. Check your junk mail folder if you have not received an invitation. Please contact the school if you cannot locate the invitation and need to have it resent.

If you already have an Edsby account please confirm that you are able to log in before the Parent-Teacher Interview schedule opens on March 20.

Important Timelines

March 19, 2019 Interim Report Cards sent home

March 20, 2019 Parents' Night schedule is opened for booking at 9:00am, an invitation to

book appointments through EDSBY will be sent to your email inbox

April 3, 2019 Parents' Night (6:30pm – 8:30pm)

GRADE 10 LITERACY TEST - MARCH 27TH

The OSSLT (Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test) will be written this year on Wednesday, March 27th. Grade 10 students and any other eligible students will write the test on that date. Markville is holding 5 Literacy Blitz events over the next few weeks to prepare students for the OSSLT. Guides, tips, and more information for parents about the test is available on the EQAO (Education Quality and Accountability Office) website. Questions and Answers about the OSSLT are available in many languages. March 27th will have a modified schedule to give students writing the test the best possible environment. Only students writing the OSSLT will be attending school. No regular classes will be held on March 27th. A letter with more information has been posted to our News & Events page, or can be access by clicking here.

STUDENT WELL-BEING AND SUCCESS - SUPPORTING EAST ASIAN STUDENTS

Guardians and parents of east Asian students are invited to an evening dedicated to addressing issues that impact a student's academic success as well as their overall well-being. The event will be held on Wednesday, March 20th, 2019 at Unionville High School from 5:45pm – 8:45pm. Registration is available until February 27th. Please <u>click here</u> to register. For more information, please go to our website under the <u>News & Events</u> tab. Event information is available in <u>English</u>, <u>Traditional Chinese</u>, and <u>Simplified Chinese</u>. This event is presented by SEAS – Supporting East Asian Students in York Region.

CREATING COMMUNITY FOR ALL presents

OPEN FORUM DIVERSITY SERIES

Open Forum Is A Monthly Interactive And Professionally Facilitated Presentation And Discussion on Selected Topics

PROFESSIONALLY FACILITATED BY CHERYL MCCONNEY-WILSON M. OF ED (OISE)

DIVERSITY SPECIALIST

HOW MANY GENDERS ARE THERE? TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH - 7PM TO 9PM

Hummingbird Hub

(6331 Main Street, Stouffville)

Adult Fee: \$10 Student Fee: \$5

April 23 - Can We Talk About Race?

May 28 - Indigeneity, Truth and Reconciliation

June 25 - Generational Diversity



For More Information: Creating Community For All - Facebook Page or creatingcommunityforall@stouffvilleuc.ca





OPEN FORUM YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Open Forum – Is A Monthly Interactive And Professionally Facilitated Presentation And Discussion on Selected Topics
Facilitated by Lyndsay Thompson MDiv. RP Qualifying



Social Media and Bullying

Tuesday, March 12th - 7pm to 9pm

Guest Facilitors:

Michelle Laxamana MDiv. RP Qualifying, CAMFT and Jamie Sutherland CYW, BA Hon, MDiv. (Cand) CAMFT

Hummingbird Hub

(6331 Main Street, Stouffville)

Adult Fee: \$10 Student Fee: \$5

April 9 - Suicide and Self Harm May 14 - Sexuality and Gender Issues



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TWEET OF THE WEEK

Goodbye <u>@Markville_YRDSB</u>! 91 students and 11 chaperones are off to

explore Europe!





See you in 10 days! 🌂



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STUDENTS - Have you found a summer job yet? If not, there are some great opportunities available through the Summer Employment Opportunities program! Check out the available jobs and apply now. First application deadline is March 1.

http://ow.ly/sFpl30nSpym @OpenGovON

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

MARKVILLE HISTORY DEPARTMENT – BERLIN TO BUDAPEST FALL TOUR

The Markville History Department is looking forward to taking interested Markville students to Europe during the Fall Break in 2019. We plan on travelling to 5 countries over 10 event packed days. The highlights of the trip include a tour of Auschwitz Concentration Camp, touching the Berlin Wall, crossing the Charles Bridge in Prague and catching the spectacular view of Budapest from the Royal Palace on Castle Hill. There will be a student information meeting Tuesday March 19 @ 3:05 pm in Rm. 220 with sign-ups beginning Thursday March 21 @ 7pm. For more information check out www.markvillehistory.com







Brandenburg Gate, Berlin

Market Square, Prague

Auschwitz Death Camp





Salt Mine, Krakow

Royal Palace, Budapest

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

It is the goal of the Physical Education Department at Markville S.S., in conjunction with our school administrators, to have a significant impact on the quality of physical activity and wellness within the school community. In the last five years, the Phys. Ed. Dept. has implemented ways to support and increase physical activities by creating opportunities to host several badminton, volleyball, and track and field events for elementary schools in our community.

Our department has kindly offered the gymnasium and track facilities to host these events every year, with the assistance of students who help make all of this possible.

These events have been attended by not only students and staff, but by hundreds of parents/family who come to support their children and consequently learn more about our school and the importance of physical activity in general.

We look forward to continuing our strong relationships with our elementary school community, as well supporting physical activity programs and student leadership within our school.



Upcoming Events

DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics	
MON. MAR. 11 th – FRI. MAR 15 th	MARCH BREAK – NO SCHOOL					
MONDAY, MAR. 18 th	First Public Buses were introduced on this date in 1662 in Paris.					
TUESDAY, MAR. 19 th	Interim Report Distribution					
	Dennis Beck Masterclass (4:00pm – 6:00pm)					
WEDNESDAY, MAR. 20 th	Relay for Life Rally (MAC – Markville Athletic Council) (8:30am – 9:30am)					
	• Literacy Blitz #4 (11:05am – 12:20pm)					
	Disney Trip – Parent Information Meeting (6:00pm – 7:00pm)					
THURSDAY, MAR. 21st	• SHSM – First Aid / CPR / AED (8:20am – 3:00pm)					
	SHSM – YRDSB Print Shop (9:45am – 2:00pm)					
	Grade 11 Gifted Transition Meeting (3:15pm – 4:00pm)					

	Dennis Beck Masterclass (4:00pm – 6:00pm)
	SHSM ICE Event (Arts & Culture) (8:00am – 3:00pm)
FRIDAY, MAR. 22 nd	Green Living Show (SHSM / Geography / EcoClub) (11:00am – 3:00pm)
	Alternative Education Science – Loblaw's (11:10am – 1:45pm)

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



Student Volunteer
Opportunities



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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