

InspireLearning!



Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin



1000 Carlton Road
Markham, Ontario
L3P 7P5
Principal: Patricia Obadia

Tel: (905) 940-8840
Fax: (905) 940-8895
Email: markville.ss@yrdsb.ca
Website: <http://markville.ss.yrdsb.ca>



For translation of this bulletin, open hyperlink and copy & paste this document <http://translate.google.ca/>

对于此公告 · 公开超链接的翻译和复制粘贴此文件 <http://translate.google.ca/>

對於此公告 · 公開超链接的翻译和複製粘貼此文件 <http://translate.google.ca/>

Friday, March 13, 2020

SCHOOL CLOSURE – MARCH 14th – APRIL 5th

The Minister of Education issued an order to all publicly funded school boards to close schools from March 14 until April 5. This three-week closure is an attempt to disrupt the spread of COVID-19, particularly in relation to international travel over the original March break week. We encourage all students, their families and staff members to follow the advice of local, provincial and federal health agencies, including advisories related to travel. School is expected to resume on Monday, April 6th.

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

This week was our final Literacy Blitz lesson designed to support students’ learning and help them practice writing the “series of opinion paragraphs”, A.K.A. the essay. On Wednesday, March 11th during Period 5, all Grade 10 classes participated in a Literacy Blitz activity which focused on giving students time to practice writing 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 5 classes. Literacy Blitz lessons will be posted to our [website](#), on the new [Literacy Resources](#) page, under the [News & Events](#) tab.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSES

Most, if not all College and University open houses during March Break have been cancelled at this time. Please check the individual schools websites for more information.

ABOUT CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)

WHAT IT IS

COVID-19 is an illness caused by a coronavirus.

Human coronaviruses are common and are typically associated with mild illnesses, similar to the common cold.

HOW IT IS SPREAD

Coronaviruses are most commonly **SPREAD** from an infected person through:

- ▶ respiratory droplets when you cough or sneeze
- ▶ close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands
- ▶ touching something with the virus on it, then touching your eyes, nose or mouth before washing your hands

These viruses are not known to spread through ventilation systems or through water.

IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS

If you have **SYMPTOMS** of COVID-19 — fever, cough, or difficulty breathing:

- ▶ stay home to avoid spreading it to others
 - if you live with others, stay in a separate room or keep a 2-metre distance
- ▶ call ahead before you visit a health care professional or call your local public health authority
 - tell them your symptoms and follow their instructions
- ▶ if you need immediate medical attention, call 911 and tell them your symptoms.

SYMPTOMS

Symptoms may be very mild or more serious. They may take up to 14 days to appear after exposure to the virus.



FEVER



COUGH



DIFFICULTY BREATHING

PREVENTION

The best way to prevent the spread of infections is to:

- ▶ wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- ▶ avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth, especially with unwashed hands
- ▶ avoid close contact with people who are sick
- ▶ when coughing or sneezing:
 - cover your mouth and nose with your arm or tissues to reduce the spread of germs
 - immediately dispose of any tissues you have used into the garbage as soon as possible and wash your hands afterwards
- ▶ clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, such as toys, electronic devices and doorknobs.
- ▶ stay home if you are sick to avoid spreading illness to others

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CORONAVIRUS:

1-833-784-4397

canada.ca/coronavirus

phac.info.aspc@canada.ca



Public Health Agency of Canada
Agence de la santé publique du Canada

Canada

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

PARENT – TEACHER INTERVIEW NIGHT

Parent-Teacher Interview night has been postponed. Notices will be sent out when the date has been rescheduled.

ONLINE SURVEY – BULLYING IN ONTARIO SCHOOLS

The Province of Ontario has launched an [online survey](#) to hear from students, parents and guardians and school staff about their experiences with bullying in Ontario schools. The online survey will help the province better understand the ways in which bullying manifests in classroom settings.

Results of the survey will assist the province in framing the problem and designing more effective programs to keep Ontario children safe.

Students, parents and guardians, and school staff are encouraged to participate in the survey by **March 31**. The survey is posted on the Province of Ontario's website at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/consultation-bullying-ontario-schools>.



A MESSAGE FROM THE YRDSB ACTIVE TRAVEL TEAM

Take a moment, close your eyes and imagine...if every student at your children's school chose to walk, cycle, or ride the bus to and from school, what would the school zone look like? What type of place and environment would be created for your children?

Be the change. Try not to adopt a 'someone else will do it' mentality and rely on others to make sustainable choices. By making a small change today and building active living lifestyles, we can create lasting impacts that will benefit the environment, improve our health, school zone, and communities!

If you drive your children to school, take a moment to reconsider using a sustainable mode that will not only benefit your children's health but create neighbourhoods and school zones that are people-friendly and more livable for all and generations to come! Small changes do make a difference and they start with the choices you make today. While we understand this may not be doable every day, try once, twice, or three times a week, or consider parking a block away and walking the rest of the way!

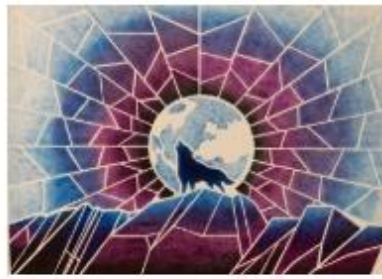
TWEET OF THE WEEK

| | | |
|---|---|---|
|  @Markville YRDSB | #BecauseOfYou #WomenofImpact #IWD2020 |  #BecauseOfYou Christine Sinclair <small>"Growing up, the National Women's Soccer Team wasn't well known — now girls dream of playing for Canada. As teammates across this country, let's invest in equal participation everywhere. We train for societal excellence the same way we train for the Olympics: through practice, perseverance, and participation."</small> INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY March 8, 2020 |
|---|---|---|

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT

ART DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT







Upcoming Events

| DATE | School News | Student Life | Arts | Sports & Clubs | Academics |
|--|---|--------------|------|----------------|-----------|
| MONDAY, MAR. 16 th – FRIDAY, MAR. 20 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MARCH BREAK – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS OR STAFF | | | | |
| SATURDAY, MAR. 21 st – SUNDAY, APRIL 5 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALL PUBLICLY FUNDED SCHOOLS IN ONTARIO TO CLOSE | | | | |
| MONDAY, APRIL 6 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Back to School | | | | |
| TUESDAY, APRIL 7 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World Health Day | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Euclid Math Contest (8:00am – 11:00am) | | | | |
| WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SHSM SPCE Coding Event (8:30am – 3:00pm) | | | | |
| THURSDAY, APRIL 9 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passover | | | | |
| FRIDAY, APRIL 10 th | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good Friday – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS OR STAFF | | | | |

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

| | | | |
|---|---|--|---|
|  | Student Volunteer Opportunities |  | 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

Please visit our website at <http://markville.ss.yrdsb.ca>