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Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin



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Friday, June 22, 2018

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Thank you, everyone, for a wonderful school year! We appreciate our families and the School Council members for all your support throughout the year. Our sound partnership leads to the strength of our school. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our staff, our Superintendent, Mr. Dan Wu, and our students, for their ongoing commitment, care, and efforts. We have had a wide range of remarkable and exciting events that demonstrate excellence at Markville S.S. this year. We are all proud of the accomplishments and achievements of our students and staff.

We say goodbye to our graduating class of 2018 who are moving on to a number of post-secondary destinations. We know they are well prepared for the journey on which they are going to embark. We must also say goodbye to members of our staff who, after years of dedication and commitment to education, have decided to retire: Ms. Penny-Allen in the Main Office; Ms. Sheila Coleman, the Head of Health and Physical Education; Mr. Ianni, in the Computer Studies Department; and Mr. Keehn, in the Science Department. All our best wishes go to them as they start this new chapter in their lives. We also say goodbye and wish the best to other members of our staff who are moving to take up positions elsewhere or who are taking a leave: Ms. Aceto, Ms. Blanchenot, Ms. Hui, Ms. Inglese, Mr. Passafiume, and Ms. Priebe-Nizar. At this time, we extend a special thank you and best wishes to Ms. Wonnacott, our Vice-Principal for the last five years, as she is transferring to Bur Oak S.S. commencing this fall. We are pleased to welcome Ms. McAlpine who will be joining us as Vice-Principal.

As this is the last e-bulletin of the year, I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer. I look forward to seeing our students following the summer holidays. School will begin on Monday, August 27th for all Grade 9 students, and on Tuesday, August 28th for Grade 10-12 students.

Best regards,
Patricia Obadia



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

2018 – 2019 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

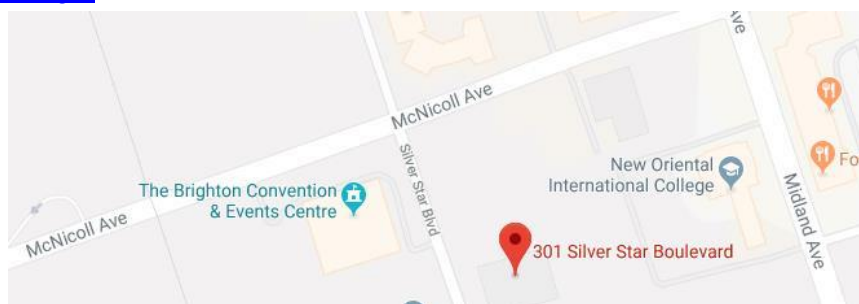
Letters with important registration information were given to all students who will be entering Grades 10, 11, or 12 in the fall. That letter has also been posted under the News & Events tab on our school

website, or you can [click here](#). The Main Office will be open in the summer on Mondays to Thursdays from 8:00am – 3:30pm. Important dates to remember are:

- Monday, July 9th starting at 9:00am - Report Cards are available to be picked up
- Monday, August 20th - Timetables will be emailed to students using their YRDSB GAPPs email address starting on this date.
- Monday, August 27th – Grade 9 first day of school! There will also be a parent and / or guardian information session for those new to Markville in the cafeteria (8:20am – 9:00am).
- Tuesday, August 28th – All grades first official day of school!
- Friday, August 31st – Photo Day – get those smiles ready!
- Monday, September 17th – First School Council Meeting (7:15pm) in the Library.
- October 29th – November 2nd – Fall Break (no classes this week).

GRADUATION

The end of the school year is a bittersweet time. We are so happy to see the Grade 12 students excited about their futures, making plans, and pursuing their dreams while at the same time sad to see them leave our halls, classrooms, and school community. On Wednesday, June 27th we celebrate our graduates with their graduation ceremony which will be held at the [Brighton Convention and Events Centre](#). The Brighton is located just 15 minutes from Markville at [2155 McNicoll Ave in Scarborough](#), between Kennedy Road and Midland Avenue. Due to the limited space inside the event centre, we invite parents and students to gather and take pictures outside (weather permitting). Additional parking will be available across the street at The Japanese Gospel Church of Toronto, [301 Silver Star Boulevard, Scarborough](#).



Graduation tickets, caps, and gowns were distributed to students this week. A limited number of extra tickets were also distributed to those who had requested them. Please contact the main office with any additional questions about the event.

Congratulations to Markville for maintaining their platinum status!

Platinum certification is designed to reflect the highest level of achievement and indicates that a school has taken a comprehensive approach to implementing the [Ontario EcoSchools](#) program. Schools must reach Gold certification (a minimum of 75% of the possible points in each of the six sections i.e., teamwork and leadership, energy conservation, waste minimization, school ground greening, curriculum, and environmental stewardship) and claim a minimum of 20 out of 25 Platinum points to be assessed for Platinum certification.



TWEETS OF THE WEEK



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A 2006 study about heart health found silence can release tension in the brain and body in just two minutes. SILENT STUDY continues in your library. Daily 8am to 3pm.
[#LearnMore](#) <https://bit.ly/2MGdPkQ>



Our students strive for excellence every day in all they do. We are immensely proud of their many accomplishments. Exams are just one piece of the learning journey of a Markville student.

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT



The Markville 2018 Varsity Baseball Team



YRAA Silver Medalists!

This year's varsity baseball team played an excellent season! They came together quickly during an undefeated season taking them into the playoffs with ease. After beating Bayview Secondary School in the quarter finals and then crushing Stephen Lewis Secondary School in the semi-final games through grueling heat and injuries, they earned themselves the opportunity to take it all in the championship game just two short weeks ago.

Our Mavericks fought hard in the final game against Emily Carr Secondary School that went into two extra innings! It was an exciting Friday afternoon with great pitching by Matthew Kanhai, Varij Saini, and Ajan Saini. There was stellar out-fielding by Matthew Chow, Brendan Colley and Alex Chow along with clutch plays at short by Erwin Huang while Nick DiRito had a perfect game at first base. Terry Feng was phenomenal with consistent and timely hits, aggressive base running and flawless fielding at third! Damian Persaud, Jared Chung, Isaac Choi, Tyler Lee, Marcus Chan and Kaitlyn Moore kept spirits high throughout a trying game.

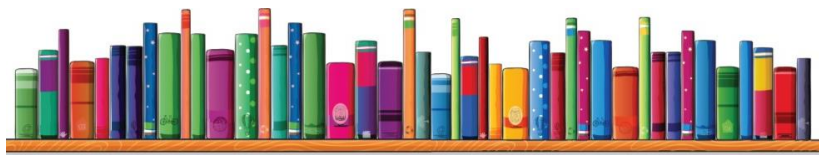
A special shout out to Justin Quan and Megan Moore (broken wrist) who both could not play the final game but were integral in getting the team to the finals. The coaches would like to thank the whole team for a thrilling season!

Let's go for the gold next year Mavs!!!



LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS

Is your student worried about not being able to come to the Library every day during the summer? Don't dismay! We have a solution. The York Region District School Board has started a partnership with Overdrive, a platform for eBooks and AudioBooks. YRDSB students and staff can check out two titles at a time. There are no late fees and books are returned automatically after two weeks unless they are renewed. Markville has joined with other YRDSB high schools to provide even more great books to our students. There is also a new feature available so students can download their selected title(s) to a personal device so it is available to read or listen to offline. The Overdrive app is available as a free download, or students can access overdrive online by visiting: <http://yrdsb.lib.overdrive.com>. Students can sign in to Overdrive by entering a 0 (zero) followed by their 9 digit student number. Check out the [Library webpage](#) for more information and a sample of available titles. Happy Reading!



FAMILY STUDIES

The Family studies kitchen received state-of-the-art stainless steel food preparation tables. These tables allow for students to prepare dishes in a more professional way, with more ease and efficiency. The grade 9 class produced beautiful hand-painted silk screen art projects which can be found on display in room 109.

The grade 10 Food and Nutrition class planned, hosted and catered themed parties. These themes varied from Medieval Times to Space Odyssey. Students had a great time both hosting and attending, and they enjoyed some tasty and creative foods.

The grade 11 foods class showcased cultural foods from the United Kingdom, Mexico, South America, The Caribbean, The Mediterranean and South East Asia. Students learned about various cultures and enjoyed delicious foods from around the world.

The grade 12 Food and Nutrition class organized a Health Trends Café where students learned about the new trends in health and wellness while enjoying healthy treats.

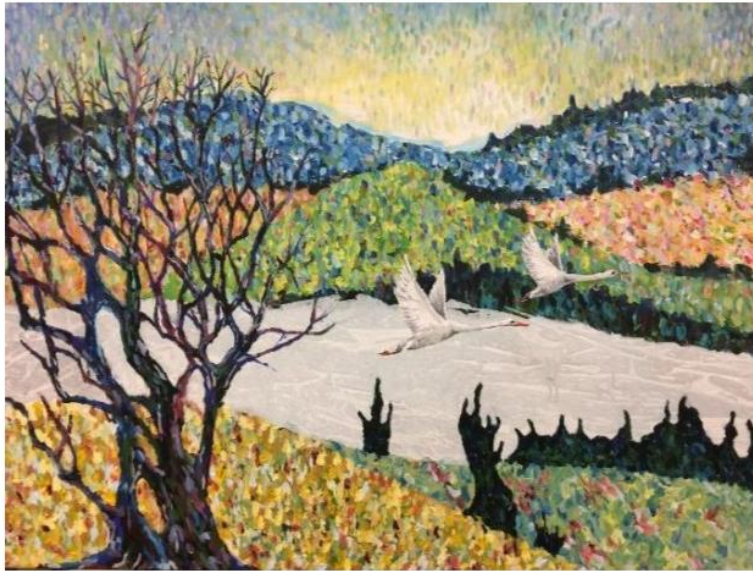
MUSIC

The Markville Symphonic Orchestra and the Markville Symphonic Band participated in the Kiwanis Music Festival of Greater Toronto this February. Both ensembles had amazing festival performances and were invited to participate in the Ontario Music Festivals Association (OMFA) Provincial Finals Competition. The Symphonic Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Sean Hu-A-Kam received a First Place rating in the Secondary School Orchestra category. The Symphonic Band, under the direction of Mr. Graham Langdale, received a First Place rating in the Secondary School Band category. Thank you to all performers for your hard work and dedication throughout the school year. You are **PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONS!!!**



VISUAL ARTS

A selection of our talented Senior Studio artist paintings from this semester! Artists included are Sarah Pan, Ashlei Stewart, Emily Zhao, Siren Qiu, and Marie Gamboa.



Upcoming Events

DATE	School News	Student Life	Arts	Sports & Clubs	Academics
MONDAY, JUNE 25 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALL GRADES - PERIOD 4 EXAMS 				
TUESDAY, JUNE 26 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GRADES 9 to 11 - PERIOD 5 EXAMS 				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Class Trip to Kensington Market (9:00am – 2:00pm) 				
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27 th	Exam Review Day – Modified Schedule Period 1 8:20am – 9:00am Period 2 9:05am – 9:45am Period 3 9:50am – 10:30am Period 4 10:35am – 11:15am Period 5 11:20am – 12:00pm Lunch 12:00am – 1:00pm Individual Appointments 1:00pm – 3:00pm				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 12 Graduation at the Brighton Convention & Events Centre (7:00pm) 				
THURSDAY, JUNE 28 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P.A. DAY – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS 				
FRIDAY, JUNE 29 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> P.A. 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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