

Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin

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

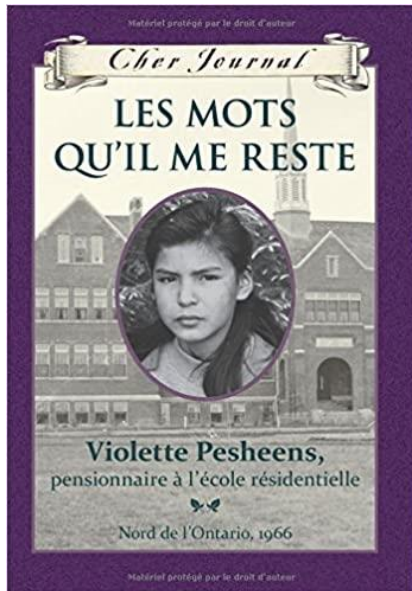


December 10th, 2021

Please keep in mind any information provided in this bulletin is subject to change and is accurate at the time of distribution.

FSL/International Languages Spotlight

Thank you for taking the time to read about what we are doing in the French and International Languages Department at Markville. The last few years have been a challenge for students, educators and all people of our community. The FSL/International Languages Department has been working very hard to ensure that students are engaged virtually and in class with their language learning. Many projects became virtual and students showed their great effort and initiative online.



Markville's FSL/International Languages department continues to implement the curriculum while exploring various current affairs with our students. We ensure our students are communicating about First Nations, Marginalized groups and about their mental health in our various classes.

Les Mots Qu'il Me Reste is one of the novels our students read which is about a young indigenous girl living in a residential school and her narration of her days there.

The communicative approach is still the primary focus of our department as it encourages students to speak the target language. We ensure that we are building a strong base in vocabulary without just focusing on the grammar with the respective languages. Students are encouraged to develop their language skills through speaking, listening, writing, and listening. We continue to emphasize learning about

Francophone and Latin/Spanish culture. This is very important as it will aid our students to be global citizens and appreciate other cultures in a genuine way.

CLASSROOM ENGAGEMENT:



Language is learned best by using it in authentic situations. Our language students got to go Shopping in Mr. Ebrahim's Spanish class and French class. They practise their essential vocabulary and grammar concepts by shopping in his Market for new clothes while

communicating in the target language.

Fashion Show 2021

Markville students have such talent and creativity!

They practised their language skills while walking down the runway. They dressed up using various themes, they included music, and pointed to new unit vocabulary while speaking Spanish.



EUROPE 2023

THE FSL/International Languages Department, students and teachers will hopefully be headed to Europe in the fall break of 2023 (subject to approval). The Europe trip 2023 is going to Italy and Spain.

Not only do the students learn about the historical and cultural elements of the countries, they get to experience the language, food and culture of the respective countries. They will get to experience a gelato factory, ride on the gondolas in Venice

and also see a Flamenco show in the caves of Granada, Spain. Students are encouraged to speak Spanish when applicable. These trips help create memories for a lifetime for our students.

Message from Guidance

POST-SECONDARY INFORMATION:

Reminder that **Applications to OUAC are due January 13th** for equal consideration, and **Applications to OCAS are due February 1st**.

Students are encouraged to apply prior to the Break, or over the Break, to avoid any issues as January 13th/February 1st approach. OUAC and OCAS will be on Holidays in December/January - please factor that into your timing, again, in case you run into issues.

Guidance will be presenting to **Gr 12 students on December 13th @ 3pm** - the topic for December is **Supplementary** support. This session will focus on explaining how to find potential supplementary items and costs, as well as how to be most effective in completing supplementary requirements.

NIGHT SCHOOL / ONLINE LEARNING:

- **Please note that students can only register for YRDSB Continuing Education courses (Night School or eLearning) if they are UNable to receive the credit via Markville SS.**

NIGHT SCHOOL

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/night-school-credit-courses>

The traditional in-class face-to-face Night School program has used a remote learning delivery model for Semester 1 - delivered virtually in real-time (**synchronous**). The delivery model for the Winter 2022 semester has not yet been confirmed.

Classes are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-9:45 pm, and begin February 17th.

Before the start of the program, students will receive an email with instructions on how to join the class on the first day. YRDSB students will log in with their Gapps accounts.

Registration for NIGHT SCHOOL will open in [myBlueprint/PathwayPlanner](#) on **January 4th, 2022**. It is highly recommended that students register as early after it opens as possible, especially in non-STEM courses (as there are few), to ensure a space in the course, as courses fill on a first-come, first-served basis. After Thursday, February 10th, 2022, students will need to complete an online registration

[form](#) as myPathwayPlanner will be closed. Once submitted, a form will be emailed to them - it will be critical to share this form with the Guidance counsellor in order for the course to be approved.

ONLINE LEARNING - formerly e-Learning

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning>

This program offers courses that are specifically designed to be taught in a fully online format (formerly referred to as “e-learning”) - Classes occur online (asynchronous) using an asynchronous model, with synchronous check-in opportunities with the teacher.

Registration for E=LEARNING will open in [myBlueprint/PathwayPlanner](#) on **January 25th, 2022** and closes February 23rd, 2022. Just like Night School, it is highly recommended that students register as early after it opens as possible, especially in non-STEM courses, to ensure a space in the course, as courses fill on a first-come, first-served basis; e-learning is open to all of YRDSB.

FAMILY NIGHT WEBINAR SERIES: The next Family Webinar evening will be on **January 26th @ 6:30 p.m.**, where Markville staff will present information on Markville’s **Specialty Programs**. This webinar will include information on Co-operative Education (Co-op), Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) and Advanced Placement (Pre-AP & AP) and is strategically placed prior to February’s Course Selection timelines. Additionally, the following Family Night presentation will occur on **February 2nd**, to support families in **Course Selection**. Students will receive Course Selection information during school hours.

Happy weekend!
Your Guidance Team~

Peer Tutoring

Do you need extra help with your courses? Are you looking for a dedicated peer to help you stay focused and motivated with course work? Markville’s Peer Tutoring Club is back and ready to support YOU!

Students can **drop-in** when help is needed or request for a **weekly 1-to-1 peer tutor**. Peer tutoring sessions will be **virtual, after school Monday-Thursday from 3:30-4:30 pm**.

- To request a **1-to-1 peer tutor**, students must submit this application form: bit.ly/1to1peertutor. Students will receive an email confirmation of their peer tutor match once the request is processed.

- No application is needed for **drop-in** peer tutoring—just join via Zoom when you need help! **See schedule and Zoom links below.**

All Peer Tutoring information including sign up form, schedule, and Zoom links can be found at bit.ly/msspeertutorinfo.

PEER TUTORING
1-on-1 OR Drop in
BOTH ARE OFFERED!

MONDAY-THURSDAY
3:30-4:30PM
via Zoom

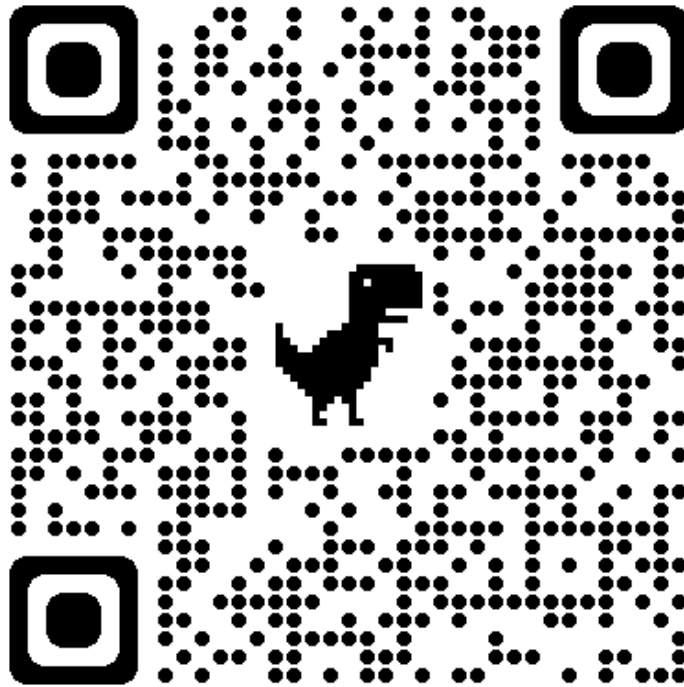
To request a 1-on-1 tutor, visit:
bit.ly/1to1peertutor

For drops ins, just join via Zoom when you need help!

School Notices

Welcome to
Markville Secondary School's
Virtual Grade 8 Open House!

[Click here to enter the MSS Open House Website!](#)



<https://bit.ly/mssgr8openhouse>

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/markville.ss/NewsEvents/Pages/default.aspx>

Upcoming Dates

Dec. 6-14	Festive Food Drive
	PERIOD Ontario Winter Drive
Dec. 13/14	Photo Day Grade 9 - Period 1/Block 1 Grade 10 - Period 2/Block 3 Grade 11 - Period 3/Block 2 Grade 12 - Period 4/Block 4
Dec. 16	Festive Sounds Virtual Concert (7:30pm - 9:00pm)
Dec. 20-31	Winter Break (School Closed)
Jan. 3	School Resumes

Tweet of the Week



Learning Commons
@msscommons



A custodian at Markville has been caring for this orange tree since 1981. Today he harvested this seasons crop of oranges. Thanks for letting us host this beautiful tree in our Library for the past couple of years.



instagram.com
MSS Library Learning Commons (@msscommons) ·
Instagram photos and videos

2:25 PM · Dec 3, 2021 · Instagram

||| View Tweet activity



Community Events

2021-2022




WINTER MAINTENANCE NEWSLETTER



WHAT WE DO

1. Watch weather forecast - 24/7
 2. Patrol and monitor the streets - 24/7
 3. Anti-ice - Salt brine sprayed on primary roads and bridges (weather dependent)
 4. Salt trucks - dispatched first to primary and secondary roads
 5. Plow & salt the roads - Review table below for snow clearing times
 6. Clear the sidewalks - City crews start when sidewalks are 5cm of snow deep
 7. Continue to clear snow - Can take up to 16 hours after the snow stops falling to clear all of Markham's streets
 8. Respond to service requests - Wait at least 16 hours after the snow stops falling to call the Markham Contact Centre 905.477.5530
- 

WHEN WE CLEAR SNOW

Road Type	When does the City start salting?	When does the City plow?	How much snow is that?	How many hours after the snow stops falling does it take to clear an average storm?
Primary	When snowfall begins	3cm	Paper clip 	2 hours
Secondary	When snowfall begins	5cm	House key 	3 to 12 hours
Local	When road condition is deemed slippery	7.5cm at the end of snowfall	Bank card 	12 to 16 hours



Markham is proud to be environmentally friendly in salt usage.

WHAT IT TAKES TO CLEAR SNOW AND ICE



DRIVEWAY OPENINGS: “WINDROWS”



A windrow is the row of snow at the end of a driveway after snow clearing on your street.

Only residents under the Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program will have one car width of windrow removed within 8 hours after local plow. The Snow Windrow Removal Assistance Program is designed to help persons with disabilities and elderly residents maintain road access from their driveways during the winter season.

Learn more at markham.ca/winter

DID YOU KNOW?

- Markham has a Salt Management Plan that regulates our salt usage, storage and salt transportation.
- Snow is plowed to the right and if you live on an inside corner, you will receive larger amounts of snow. Do not push snow back on the road. It is unsafe and illegal.
- Get the latest City news and emergency alerts delivered to your inbox. Sign up at markham.ca/eNews



Parking on both sides of all City streets is prohibited during snow clearing operations.

Existing parking permits and overnight exemptions held by residents are not valid during snow clearing operations.

Snow clearing begins at the start of any snowfall and continues for up to 24 hours.

Check the status of road & sidewalk plowing in your neighbourhood! DOWNLOAD THE ACCESS MARKHAM MOBILE APP

Features:

- COVID-19 Virtual Assistant
- Recycling and garbage collection schedule with personalized notifications
- 'What Goes Where' search tool to help you dispose of items correctly
- Bikeways, parks and paths
- Signature and community events calendar
- Report a problem
- Your Voice Markham online engagement platform



Winter Maintenance app also available at markham.ca/winter



markham.ca/winter | 905.477.5530 | customerservice@markham.ca



Winter Maintenance App



The city of Markham will update you of when your street/area was last snow plowed/salted for the winter season.

<https://www.aatracking.com/markham/wintermaintenance.html>