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Nadia Russiello

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Michael Cohen

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Jean Rudman

Trustee

Carol Chan

From the Administrative Team:

Thank you to those who donated to Michaëlle Jean's Giving Tree

This year we continued our tradition of helping those in need through a school Giving Tree. Thank you for sending in donated winter apparel. These items will be given to a local charity.



The staff at Michaëlle Jean P.S. would like to take this opportunity to wish each of you a very safe and happy holiday. We appreciate your tremendous support throughout 2016 and look forward to continued success in 2017.

Welcome back to school to January 9th, 2017!

Sincerely,

N. Russiello

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Principal

J. Rudman

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Vice Principal

Our Vision

At Michaëlle Jean P.S., we begin to lay the foundation to prepare our students to become lifelong learners as they learn to effectively communicate in French. We promote an environment of cooperation, and encourage problem solving, independence and risk-taking. We demonstrate respect for each other through our thoughts, actions and words. We are responsible for our learning and our behaviour and strive to be positive in our outlook and our interaction with others. It is through our individual and collective efforts that we achieve a vibrant learning community.

Kindergarten Registration to Commence January 20, 2017

Kindergarten registration will commence on January 20, 2017 for the 2017-18 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: www.yrdsb.ca. Children who turn four or five years old during 2017, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. A kindergarten information session for parents is being planned for this spring. For more information please visit the YRDSB website or contact your home school.

French Immersion Information Sessions and Registrations

YRDSB's FI Accommodation Plan provides long-term consistency and equity of access to all students in York Region and will enable YRDSB to continue to offer the FI program to all who wish to enrol. The FI program will be offered in Dual Track or Single Track settings, in a variety of configurations. In order to meet community needs and optimize available space in our schools, a community's Grade 1-8 FI program may be provided over more than one school during the course of a student's FI education. This will allow flexibility in addressing community needs and the opportunity to use existing space in schools. More information is available on the Board's website: www.yrdsb.ca. Please note: Some of the FI accommodation plans will require facility modifications or the development of new schools and will require short-term transition plans that might include overflow while we work toward the long-term vision. Overflow refers to situations in which the Board directs students to attend a school other than their community school or optional program for a specific period of time, as defined in Policy #108.

Information sessions for the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at French Immersion schools on January 19, 2017 at 7 p.m. Please visit YRDSB's website in January 2017 (<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/fi/Pages/Program-Locations.aspx>) to find the FI program location for your elementary school location. FI registration will begin January 20, 2017. Parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2017, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can visit or call their child's current school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. *The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to the designated FI program location to register between January 20 and February 10, 2017. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.*



The MJPS staff would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who donated to our annual United Way fundraiser! Our staff members really enjoyed decorating and donating gingerbread houses to support our efforts to raise money for this worthy organization. Due to your generosity, we raised \$ 986.00! This money will help the United Way to make a difference in our community



Student Transportation Services of York Region
320 Bloomington Road West
Aurora, Ontario L4G 0M1
905-713-2535
FAX: 905-713-2533
Web site: www.schoolbuscity.com

School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.
- School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather may not be affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM
1540 AM	1580 AM	88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM
94.9 FM	95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM
101.1 FM	102.1 FM	104.5 FM	100.7 FM	105.9	107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at School Bus City and by calling 1-877-330-3001. or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on twitter.

Mega Hoops Comes to MJPS!

We were thrilled to welcome Mega Hoops to MJPS on December 12, 13 and 14. Mega Hoops is Ontario Basketball's flagship community program designed to teach fundamental movement and basic basketball skills while developing physical literacy in young athletes. During their regular Physical Education classes, students learned some new basketball skills alongside the Mega Hoops team, M. Segbor and Mme Afonina. Thanks to the funds raised through the school's Milk Program, we were able to offer this enrichment to your child's learning at no cost to families. Thank you for your continued support of our fundraising events!



Are your children's Immunization records up to date?

If parents/guardians or students receive a letter from York Region Public Health requesting immunization information, here's what to do:

Update York Region Public Health on your child's immunization status in one of the following ways:

Online at <https://eimmunization.york.ca>

- Fax documents to 905-895-6066 or 1-866-258-2026
- Mail immunization information to Immunization Services, Box 147, Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1

Call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 73456

Meet Carol Chan
YBCSB Trustee Richmond Hill Wards 3, 5, 6
in a Town Hall Meeting
for school parents

**You're
Invited!**

Date: January 14, 2017 (Saturday)

Time 10:00-12:30pm

Venue: Richmond Green SS



Let's discuss:

- 1. The roles and responsibilities of Trustee**
- 2. Review of Board Foci**
- 3. Current main themes of education**
 - Students Achievement and Wellbeing
 - Modern Learning
 - Mental Health
 - Math
- 4. Collect Parents' feedback and Questions**



Remarks: Refreshments and Babysitting will be available

B. Kijzi Mme K. ☺

N. Bessette
Mrs. Messerout
J. Marjanovic
P. Safar

H. Darvish
H. Tulman

Kate Ryan
J. Lyan
A. J. Yarn
M. Fussell
P. Bongle Bernard ☺

G. Prabakaran

Season's Greetings

and

Happy New Year

from the staff at

Michaëlle Jean P.S.!

Joyeuses Fêtes

et

Bonne Année!

Mme Lee ☺
J. Kamyab ☺
J. Talon

N. W. N. Yum
D. D. N. Tolksen ☺

D. Brown ☺

Mme Gray ☺
Simba
Mme Tajahmady
Rae Ann Ban
C. Manair
Mme Bawab ☺