

# School Council Newsletter



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*“The Michaëlle Jean Public School Council is a partnership of parents, staff, community and students. Its goal is to actively promote a positive learning environment in French, which will enhance the quality of the students’ education and corroborates the goals as set out in the School Improvement Plan”.*

### Upcoming Events

**School Council Meeting**  
 Wednesday April 16, 2013 at  
 7:00 p.m.



## Message from School Council Co-Chairs

*Mara Guido and Sevda Guliyeva*

February was a very busy month for all of us at MJPS. Teachers and children participated in many wonderful events including Ice Skating, Valentine’s Day and Carnival.

Our 7<sup>th</sup> annual Carnival was an excellent way to expose the children to French culture, and this year’s week long events were a huge success. The children got to meet Bonhomme, decorate masks, participate in a dance-a-thon raising funds for Haiti, and ended it off with outdoor activities. Once again our Haiti fundraiser was a huge success as we raised **\$7527.35**. Thanks to everyone for their generosity.

On behalf of our School Council, we would like to thank all the parent volunteers and teachers who helped out. Your help is greatly appreciated.

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions for School Council and/or are interested in getting involved, please join us at the council meetings.

All Parents/Caregivers are welcome to attend. Please feel free to send a message by email to us at [MJPSCouncil@gmail.com](mailto:MJPSCouncil@gmail.com).

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## School Council Meeting Dates

Please mark your calendars, come, and join us for the upcoming School Council Meetings. We welcome and encourage all parents to attend. It is a great way to know what is happening at the school, meet other parents and get involved.

Wednesday, April 16th, 2013

Thursday, June 12th, 2014

Meetings are from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

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**2013/2014****Parent Council Members****Co-Chairs**

*Mara Guido  
Sevda Guliyeva*

**Treasurer**

*Tara Sable*

**Secretary**

*Andrea Pape*

**Communications**

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Committee Chairs**

*Jennifer Anderson*

**Parental, Family &  
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Committee Chairs**

*Rosanna DiStefano  
Shelley Baba  
Nika Daei*

**School Climate  
Committee Chairs**

*Maro Guido*

**Grade 3 Transition  
Ceremony Committee  
Chairs**

*Mara Guido  
Carmen Coman  
Shelley Baba  
Miao Wang*

**Members-at-Large**

*Tracey Cunningham  
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Daniel Yan  
Harry Liu  
Zahra Farsi  
Mojgan Faghani  
Shirley Yimei  
Ying Yu  
Reza Zevari  
Jason Pritchett  
Merav Sharon  
Felix Francis  
Sally Wang  
Ghazal Karimzad  
Vivian Du  
Ali Dehkordi*

**Administration**

*Mme Della-Rovere  
Mme Anderson*

**Teacher Representatives**

*Mark Vojnic  
Kate Ryan  
Tina Kamyab  
Leah Griffiths*

**Late School Bus Report**

Student Transportation Services of York Region has a website in which they produce a daily update on late busses. This is an up to date report that will let you know if your bus route is running late, and how long of a wait that may be.

You can find the late bus report at the following web address:

<http://www.schoolbuscity.com/latebus/>

**New School Website**

MJPS has a newly re-designed website!

Please take a moment to have a look at our new website located at the following address: <http://michaëllejean.ps.yrdsb.ca>.

We hope you will find it more user friendly and informative.

**Student Success**

Town of Richmond Hill Lunch Programs for the Winter Session are currently in progress. Programs offered for this session include Chess, Tae Kwon Do, Basketball, Cartooning, Fashion Design, Hip Hop, Drawing & Colouring and Yoga.

Coming this March... *Le Lapin de Velours* a Prologue Performance by Ballet Jorgen based on the story of *The Velveteen Rabbit*. Performances will be seen by all students in Grades 1-3 on March 26, 2014. Thank you to our School Council for covering the costs associated with this performance.

**School Climate**

A big thank you for everyone's help with pizza lunch during Carnival week. It was great to have so many volunteers and your help is much appreciated.

Another big thank you to all the volunteers, who on a weekly basis help serve pizza and sub lunches to the children. They really enjoy the lunches and the help from you all.

Thank you!

