



# Nellie McClung P.S.



## Administrator's Message

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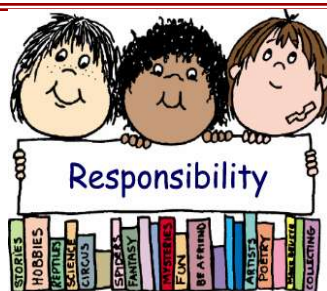
*Great memories are made of what we have experienced in a positive way, and what has changed our lives for the better. As we head off into summer and say farewell for this school year, we share with you the pleasure we have had in serving your children.*

*Nellie McClung is a school that sets high expectations, is dedicated to student learning and shows commitment to providing motivating, educational experiences for students. Staff deliver the curriculum, and give of themselves to offer many "extras" that enrich your children's lives. I have also been fortunate to work with some amazing parents here at Nellie McClung. Nellie students excel because of the support that parents give on a regular basis. The families in this community are involved in supporting their children, whether it is with running fundraisers, volunteering on school trips or supporting school work at home. This collaborative effort, aroused by our School Council, has truly been the magic to success!*

**Imagine...Believe...Achieve...**  
Mrs. Thompson

### *Responsibility* is the character trait for June.

We are truthful and sincere. We ensure consistency between what we say and what we do as well as between what we believe and how we behave.



### Class Disruptions

Please be aware that at the end of day, learning is still going on and students are receiving important end of the day instructions. Please AVOID picking up your child early as it causes a disruption for all students. **We will not disrupt the classroom after 3pm.** If you must pick up your child early, please write the teacher a note so that your child will be waiting for you in the office.

Your cooperation is always appreciated.

**June 1, 2015**

**Volume 4, Issue 11**

**Superintendent: C. La Touche**

**Trustee: Ms. L. Aversa**

### June 25th, 2015 Full day at school

All students have received a copy of the 2015-16 Learning Calendar. Please note that on **Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015 it is a full day of school.**

### Upcoming Dates

June 2 ..... Heritage Village (8A)  
June 3 .....Heritage Village (8B)  
June 4.....Jump Rope for Heart  
June 5.....PA Day  
June 9...Parent Council Meeting 6:30  
June 10....Kortright Centre (JK/SK)  
June 10/11.....Area Track + Field  
June 11.....BBQ  
June 23.....Gr 8 Graduation  
June 24.....Report cards go home  
June 25..... Last Day of School  
Dismissal at 3:30  
Sept 8.....First day of School



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## Class Placements for September 2015

Class placement information will be available on the first day of school, September 8th. Please see any staff member outside in the yard for your child's class and teacher.

### School Summer Office Hours

To register before Aug 31st please contact our area office at 905 764-6830.

The office will reopen on August 31st at 8:30am. Beginning the week of August 31st, the office staff will return to work and will be accepting registrations for the coming school year.



### Thank you to our School Assistants

We are very pleased to recognize our hard working School Assistants who supervise students eating lunch in their classrooms and monitor safe play on the playground at lunch time. A great big thank you from our students, staff and parents.



## Lost & Found Items

Please take a moment to retrieve your child's clothing from the Lost & Found either before or after school. These items will be sent to charity on June 19th.



*On June 4th, students will be jumping for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. Make sure your child is dressed appropriately and has sunscreen, hat, and water. So far we have raised just under \$2000.00 and we still have a few days to go. **WAY TO GO!!***



Finding answers. For life.

HEART & STROKE  
FOUNDATION  
OF CANADA

## Summer Moves

If you are planning to move and your child will NOT be at Nellie McClung P.S. in September, please notify the school office as soon as possible or by leaving a message over the summer on the school's answering machine at 905-303-8113.



## Student Busing Eligibility

Did you know that students' busing eligibility changes throughout their school career? Your son/daughter's eligibility to ride the school bus may change according to their grade and distance from home to school. Below are the provisions for eligibility identified in the Board's Transportation Policy #680:

All YRDSB students in Grades JK-3 who live within 1.2 km of their school are not eligible for transportation

All YRDSB students in Grades 4-8 who live within 1.6 km of their school are not eligible for transportation

All YRDSB students in Grades 9-12 who live within a transit served area are not eligible for transportation.

To view Board Policy #680 Student Transportation, please visit [www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca](http://www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca). For more information about bus transportation and to determine your son/daughter's eligibility please visit [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com).

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## Literacy Suggestions

Choosing “just the right books . . .”

Becoming a fluent reader means reading a lot both at home and at school. Some-times though, students aren’t reading as much as we think. Even though students often are given the time and encouragement to read independently they may be “faking” it. “Just right books are not so challenging that the students are solely occupied with figuring out words, but not so easy that they are likely not to learn any-thing new. You can tell if your child has chosen a “just right” book by listening to your child read a page or two. Here’s what to watch for:

- ◇ *The reading should be fairly smooth*
- ◇ *The child should be able to tell you what he or she read*
- ◇ *The child will have trouble with no more than two or three words on the first two pages.*
- ◇ *Your child should not appear bored.*

Children need the enjoyment and satisfaction that comes from being able to read “just right” books frequently and independently.



## ECO TIP

Using cool, new compact fluorescent light bulbs is the easiest way for you to quickly make a difference on this planet. Plus these bulbs save money by lowering your electric bill.



Bright ideas for energy savings

As easy as changing a light bulb!

## \$\$ Paid School Assistants \$\$

We are looking for School Assistants at Nellie McClung P.S. for this September 2015 through to the end of June 2016. This is a paid position and the hours will be approximately 12:10-1:30pm or 12:50-1:50 within the school day. Please call the school if you’re interested at **905-303-8113**.

## School Calendar for 2015/2016

Mon. Sept. 7, 2015 - Labour Day  
Tues. Sept. 8, 2015 - School Begins  
Mon. Oct. 12, 2015 - Thanksgiving Day  
Fri. Nov. 27 2015 -P.A. Day  
Mon. Dec. 21 to Fri. Jan. 1, 2016 inclusive-Winter Break  
Fri. Jan. 15, 2016 - P.A. Day  
Mon. Feb. 15, 2016 - Family Day  
Mon. Mar. 14 to Mar. 18, 2016 inclusive - March break  
Fri. Mar 25, 2016 - Good Friday  
Mon. Mar 28, 2016 - Easter Monday  
Mon. May 18, 2016 - Victoria Day  
Fri. May 23, 2016 — P.A. Day  
Wed. June 29, 2016 — Last Day of School

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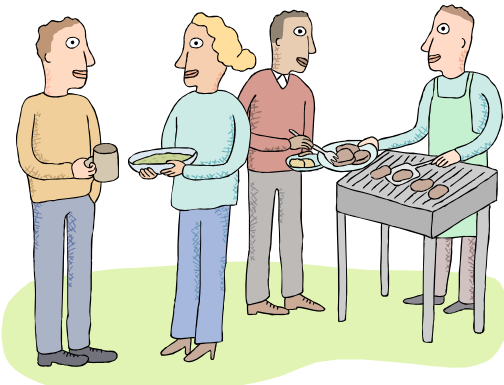
# Year End BBQ and Carnival for our Children

As you are aware, parent volunteers and NMPS administrators are working hard to plan for a Year End BBQ at Nellie McClung PS on June 11th.

We are so excited we wanted you to know.....

- All families, friends and neighbours are welcome
- We are no longer accepting food order forms. Keep in mind that there is a limited amount of food available on the day of the BBQ
- Bring cash only for pony rides, basket auction, face painting, dunk tank, etc.
- Students must leave the school at 3:30pm and return with their families after 4:30pm on June 11th

A successful event will surely give our children a head start to buy more recess and sports equipment for the upcoming school year.



We look forward to seeing you and your families on June 11th.

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Turning Points is a national writing competition organized by The Learning Partnership. Each year, students from across the country write essays about an important moment in their lives and how it changed them. This year, Michelle Eny and Paige Kemper, competing against thousands of other writers in Ontario, won 2nd and 3rd prize, respectively, in their division. We are all very proud of them for their courage to write and reflect so honestly about a turning point in their lives.

Congratulations to Paige Kemper and Michelle Eny

Way to go Mavericks!

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Ms. Pollishuke's grade 8 students worked very hard to create unique literature museums. Each display showcased artifacts that represented themes from their novels. After tweeting about their experience, one of the authors, Eric Walters, replied congratulating them on their hard work!



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# ATTENTION PARENTS!

## A NEW Magazine Sale Is Coming Fall 2015! MAGAZINES AND MEMORIES!

Coming Fall 2015, we will have our annual Magazine Subscription Program (including more digital magazines!) and also an opportunity to purchase Personalized Photo Memory Products including Photo Books, Labels, Cards, Calendars, Posters, Notepads and more!

You'll experience super easy upload and design of your products on-line with delivery right to your home. If you plan to design your own photo products this year, please order through our fundraiser and you'll support our school at the same time.

If you are eager to renew your subscriptions before the official campaign begins, you can support our students at any time by shopping on-line!

Just visit [www.QSP.ca](http://www.QSP.ca) and search for our school name.

(If you renew with the publishers directly the school does not receive profits.)

*Questions? QSP Customer service is always available at 1-800-667-2536*

With the warmer weather approaching please send children prepared to play outside in the sun:

- ◇ Water bottles
- ◇ Hats/Sunglasses
- ◇ Sun Block



Thank you very much to all the parents and staff who supported our Scholastic Book fair. The proceeds will really help our library grow.



## Thanks! School Council 2014/2015

*A special thanks goes to the wonderful group of dedicated individuals who meet regularly throughout the school year and offered support, effort and suggestions to make our school a better place for student learning. We will be soliciting our community for new members in September. Please consider joining us. Thanks to the following members of Council who worked very hard on behalf of our school community this year: Maria Shtemberg, Roman Kanter, Avery Zeidman, Keith Isaac, Neil Grunberg, Rob Ephraim, Zvi Vaxman, Darren Greenspoon, Lynn Axmith, and Mike Kemper.*



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# 2015 ELEMENTARY SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAMS



PROGRAMS For students entering SK to grade 8 in September 2015.	SCHOOL LOCATIONS											
	AL	A	C	D	L	LW	ML	MM	OP	S	UM	W
WORDS ALIVE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
CLUBHOUSE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SKILLS 'N' MOTION LEVEL 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SKILLS 'N' MOTION LEVEL 2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
JUNIOR												
JUNIOR HIGH												
JUNIOR GOLF CAMP												
JUNIOR PRO/CANOEING/KAYAKING												
LEADERS OF TOMORROW (L.O.T.)												
INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGES												
ACTIVITIES												
DESIGN												
MODEL BUILDING												
ROBOTICS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SIMPLE MACHINES	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
WOODWORKING												
DRAMATIC & FINE ARTS												
ACTOR'S STUDIO	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
ARTZCOOL												
BROADWAY BOUND												
BUCKET DRUMMING												
CREATIVE ARTS												
DANCE												
DANCE PLUS												
DRUMS												
FINE ARTS												
GLEE												
LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!												
STOMP												
VISUAL ARTS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SCIENCE												
NATURALLY CURIOUS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
READY, SET, COOK	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
WACKY SCIENCE WORLD	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SPECIAL INTEREST												
CHESS												
CLAY PLAY												
CLAY PLAY PLUS												
COMIC BOOK WIZARD	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
DUCK TAPE CREATIONS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
GAMES MASTER												
GAMES WIZARD												
GIRL POWER												
GUITAR STARS												
JAM SESSION												
KNIT KNOTS												
MUSIC MIX	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
PASSION FOR FASHION												
PASSION FOR PINTEREST												
SCRAPBOOKING												
SEW CRAFTY												
SEW CREATIVE												
TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS												
YOGA												
SPORTS & EXTREME SPORTS												
ARCHERY	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
BALL HOCKEY	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
BASKETBALL	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
CRICKET												
FIELD INVADERS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
HOOPS												
INLINE SKATING (INDOOR)												
INLINE SKATING (INDOOR) PLUS												
MOUNTAIN BIKING												
NET SPORTS												
RACQUET SPORTS	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SKATEBOARDING												
SKATEBOARDING PLUS												
SKATEZONE												
SOCCER	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SPORTTACULAR FUN	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
STREET BALL												
TABLE TENNIS												
TENNIS												
ULTIMATE FRISBEE	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
URBAN BIKING												
URBAN BIKING PLUS												
VOLLEYBALL												
WET & WILD WATER FUN												
WIMBLEDON												
TECHNOLOGY												
COMPUTERS												
DIGIART	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
DIGITAL CREATIVE DESIGN												
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY												
TECH WORLD	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
VIDEO FILMING												

For International Student Registration, please contact  
International Education Services at 905-884-2046 ext 237  
Email: international.education@yrdsb.ca

## CONTACTS & LOCATIONS

For information or registration:

AL	<b>Aldergrove PS</b> 150 Aldergrove Dr., Unionville Email: aldergrove.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
A	<b>Armada SI</b> 11 Coppard Ave., Markham Email: armadale.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
C	<b>Crosby Heights SI</b> 190 Neal Drive, Richmond Hill Email: crosby.heights.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
D	<b>Discovery SI</b> 120 Discovery Trail, Maple Email: discovery.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
L	<b>Lakeside SI</b> 213 Shorecrest Road, Keswick Email: lakeside.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
LW	<b>Lake Wilcox SI</b> 80 Wildwood Ave., Richmond Hill Email: lakewilcox.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
ML	<b>Maple Leaf SI</b> 155 Longford Dr., Newmarket Email: maple.leaf.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
MM	<b>Milliken Mills SI</b> 289 Riseborough Circuit, Unionville Email: milliken.mills.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
O	<b>Oscar Peterson SI</b> 850 Hoover Park Drive, Stouffville Email: oscar.peterson.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
S	<b>Sixteenth Avenue SI</b> 400 16 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Richmond Hill Email: sixteenth.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
UM	<b>Unionville Meadows SI</b> 355 South Unionville Ave., Markham Email: unionvillemeadows.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14
W	<b>Woodbridge SI</b> 60 Burwick Ave., Woodbridge Email: woodbridge.si@yrdsb.ca Weekly from July 6 - August 14



**Summer Institute**  
Dr. Bette Stephenson Centre for Learning  
36 Regatta Avenue  
(905) 884-2046 ext. 240  
performanceplus.si@yrdsb.ca



**Host Families Needed**  
This Summer for international  
students attending  
Crosby Heights P.S. SI Program!

If your family can provide a caring, comfortable and secure home for an international student, and provide transportation to and from Crosby Heights P.S., please contact Homestay Services at homestay@yrdsb.ca. Applicants will be interviewed by a Homestay Representative. Police screening is mandatory for anyone 18 years of age or older living in the home. Homestay families receive \$225 per week.

**Extended Child Care Provider**  
YMCA  
905 943-9622 ext 333

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# Make sure it fits!



*It's the law in Ontario for children and youth  
(under 18) to wear a helmet when bicycling*



**2** FINGERS ABOVE  
YOUR EYEBROWS



**V** SHAPE STRAP  
UNDER YOUR EARS



**1** FINGER SPACE  
UNDER YOUR CHIN

**SHAKE, SHAKE, SHAKE, your head up and down and side  
to side to make sure the helmet is snug!**

***Make sure your child always wears  
a properly fitted helmet!***

For more information contact York Region **Health Connection** at  
**1-800-361-5653** or visit [www.york.ca/injuryprevention](http://www.york.ca/injuryprevention)



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## Backyard Pools



**There are simple steps that families can follow to keep their backyard pools safe.**

- Build a fence that has a self-closing and self-latching gate; keep the gate closed with restricted access at all times. Refer to your municipal bylaws for fencing requirements.
- Establish pool rules. These can include: swim with a buddy, children must have an adult with them at all times, and no glass containers around the pool.
- Few backyard pools are safe for diving - swimmers should always enter the water feet-first.
- Have readily accessible reaching or throwing assists, a working phone and first aid kit.
- Have an *Action Plan* including adult supervision, an emergency signal, safety equipment and emergency procedures.
- Keep the deck clear of toys and debris.
- Do not use alcohol or drugs in or around the pool.
- Small on-ground portable or kiddie pools should be emptied when not in use. Above-ground pools should have the ladder or steps removed when not in use.
- Hot tubs should not exceed 104° F or 40° C and are not recommended for pregnant women, toddlers or infants.

**Active adult supervision is of the utmost importance - never leave your child unattended, not even for a second.**

- Lifejackets or PFDs should be worn by weak or non-swimmers, but they are not substitutes for supervision by an adult with good swimming skills, or a lifeguard.
- Enroll your children in Red Cross swimming lessons.
- Adults who are weak swimmers should also take lessons, and have first aid training.
- Take your children with you if you have to leave the pool for any reason.

**Pick the best time of the day to swim. Avoid swimming at night and in stormy weather.**

- The best time to swim is during the daytime. If there is thunder or lightning, stay out of the pool.
- Use sunscreen with a minimum SPF 15 even on cloudy days, and reapply every 3-4 hours.
- Wear a wide-brim hat, sunglasses, and light clothing to cover your skin whenever possible.

[Health and Safety Tips - Backyard Pools](#)

## Be SUNSMART



One bad sunburn in childhood can double the risk of developing skin cancer (Canadian Cancer Society). Help protect you and your family:

- Reduce sun exposure between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. or when the UV index is 3 or more
- Seek shade or create your own shade
- SLIP! on lightweight clothing that covers your arms and legs
- SLAP! on a wide brimmed hat and UV protected sunglasses with wraparound frames and even shading
- SLOP! on sunscreen and lip balm with SPF 30 or higher and reapply every 2 hours
- Keep babies under one year out of the direct sun

For health-related information call York Region Health Connection at 1-800-361-5653, TTY 1-866-252-9933 or visit [www.york.ca/healthyschools](http://www.york.ca/healthyschools)



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