


# The Northern Highlights

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<p><b>December...</b></p> 	<p>3 Food Drive Begins (Until Dec 14)          School Council 7pm          Gr 7/8 ROM Trip</p> <p>5 Gr 5 Dance Workshops          Gr 3 Visit the Orthodontist          Gr 6 VIP          NLPS Hosts YRDSB Digital Literacy Network</p> <p>10-14 Scholastic Book Fair          11-14 Candy Gram Sales          12 Gr 8 Dr GW Williams visits NLPS          13 Holiday Concert "Songs for a Winter Night"          14 Grade 1-3 Skating          17-21 Spirit Week              Monday Jersey Day!              Tuesday Ugly/Silly Sweater Day!              Wednesday Beach Day!              Thursday Backwards Day!              Friday Pyjama Day!</p> <p>21 Grade 1-3 Skating          21 Last Day before the Winter Break!</p>
<p><b>Now on the go...</b></p>	<p>Junior Mixed Volleyball <a href="#">with Ms Baskin and Ms Jackson</a>          Eco-Club <a href="#">with Mr Schneider</a>          Junior Band <a href="#">with Ms Brandon</a></p>

## News and Updates:

- **Holiday Concert** - Please see the flyer sent out last Friday for information on classes performing in our "Songs for a Winter Night" concert on Thursday, December 13, 2018.
- **Welcome Ms. Campbell-MacLachlan** – You may notice another new face around the school and office for the next few weeks. Ms. Campbell-MacLachlan will be supporting at Northern Lights for a few days each week in the weeks leading up to the holidays. Please be sure to say hello!
- **Grades K – 6 Last Chance for the Every Student Counts Survey** - The [Every Student Counts Survey](#) (ESCS) has been extended to December 14, 2018. An email will be sent from the board directly to all Kindergarten to Grade 6 families to remind you about the survey and let you know about the extended timeline. The link for the JK to Grade 6 survey is [www.cci-survey.ca/York/kto6](http://www.cci-survey.ca/York/kto6) A survey should be filled in for each child. If you

have misplaced your child's individual survey code, which was sent home in hard copy a few weeks ago, please call the office and we will tell you your child's code.

- **Skating** – Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped to make our first primary skating day a huge success! As a reminder, all students must wear a properly fitted helmet on the ice. As well, adults without skates will not be permitted on the ice, as per the city's safety codes.
- **Food Drive** – Our Student Council has been preparing for our food drive by setting up a tree and wrapped boxes in the front hallway. It looks fantastic! Please begin sending in your items on Monday, every item goes a long way in supporting those in need this holiday season.
- **New Trees** – We are exciting that our two new trees have finally arrived! The trees have been planted at the north corners of our play structure area and will be sure to provide lots of shady space in the years to come. Please make sure to remind your child not to pull on the trees, so that they have lots of space to nestle in and grow in the coming months! Come take a look when you have a chance.
- **Celebrating our Diversity** – We are excited to explore and celebrate the many holidays and cultures of our NLPS families. Be sure to check out the front display case with all of the 36 languages spoken at our school! If you have a small artifact that represents your language, religion or culture, and you would like to add to our display, please send it in to the office (labelled with your child's name), and we would be happy to include it in our display.



Thank you and to those who begin celebrating this weekend, Happy Channukah

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Melissa King

Principal

Vice-Principal