


# The Northern Highlights

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<p><b>March...</b></p>	<p>25-26 Gr 2 VORC Trips                  26 <b>Epilepsy Awareness Day – Wear Purple!</b>                  27 Intermediate Band at Music Alive - Good Luck!                  27/29 Gr 3 Swim to Survive Starts (3 Consecutive Weeks)                  28 <b>Parent Summit: Creating a Free Range Community for Kids (see below)</b></p>
<p><b>April...</b></p>	<p>                 2 <b>World Autism Day – Wear Blue! Launch to Autism Awareness Month!</b>                  2/3 Gr 2 Scientists in the School                  2/4 Dental Screening – Grade K, 2, 7, 8                  2/4 Scientists in the School – Grade 2                  3 Visit Gr 1-6 – Author Visit: Kevin Sylvester                  3/5 Gr 3 Swim to Survive                  5 Peace Day #2                  9 Scientists in the School – Grade 1                  10 Jump Rope for Heart Kickoff Assembly                  10/12 Gr 3 Swim to Survive                  12 Fire Safety Presentations                  15 Gr 6 Science Centre Trip                  15-17 8B Ministry TIMMS Assessment (more info to follow for 8B – Thornley)                  16 7B Scanlon Creek Trip                  Jr Girls BBall Areas                  17 7A Scanlon Creek Trip (with gr 7 girls from Han)                  18 Earth Rangers Live Animal Presentation Gr 1-6 9:15am                  19/22 Diamond Days: Good Friday, Easter, Passover, Ridvan             </p>
<p><b>On the go!</b></p>	<p>Join us in collecting sponsors for our...</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dance-a-thon Fundraiser!</b></p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div> <p><b>Our Dance-a-thon will be held during the school day on Thurs., April 25, 2019. Information will be coming home during the first week of April! Stay “tuned”!</b></p>

## News and Updates:

- **Summer Programs for Students Kdgn – Gr 8** - Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8? Summer Institute offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum.

The program runs for six weeks during July and August. It is offered at 11 school sites around York Region. For more information on dates, programs and locations, please visit the Summer Institute page on [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca) Families can register on line, as well as in person or by mail.

### Base Registration Weekly Fees:

York Region District School Board students: \$110 (4 day weeks) \$125 (5 day weeks) Non-York Region District School Board students: \$135 (4 day weeks) \$160 (5 day weeks)

- **Parent Voice Matters** – Regional Symposium – Each year, the YRDSB and PEAC (Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory) hosts a symposium to provide an opportunity for parents/guardians to learn and engage with other parents, staff members and community supports throughout our region. The symposium will focus on parent engagement and feature a variety of workshops that will engage parents in learning and dialogue. The theme for the event is Leadership, Innovation and Equity to Promote Student Success and Well-being  
Each elementary school is permitted to bring **three** parents/guardians to this event. The event will take place on April 17, 2019 from 5-9pm, at the Sheraton Parkway (Hwy 7 and Leslie). Dinner will be provided, as well as childcare and transportation if needed. If you are interested in attending this event, please email [orlie.soroka@yrdsb.ca](mailto:orlie.soroka@yrdsb.ca) by Wed March 27<sup>th</sup>.
- **Say No to Hate** – Please see the attached flyer for an opportunity to attend this event on April 8, 2019. It is an opportunity to learn lessons on how to 'Say no to hate' and how communities and schools can use education as a tool for harmony.
- **Planning for Sept 2019** – As we move through the coming months, we begin our planning for the 2019-2020 school year. Each student placement is carefully considered when planning for balanced classes. If you have a particular request that would help support your child's learning style or need, please submit a note to your child's homeroom teacher, or send an email to [orlie.soroka@yrdsb.ca](mailto:orlie.soroka@yrdsb.ca) directly. Requests will be carefully considered, but not guaranteed. All requests must be made in writing/email **by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019**.

Have a lovely weekend!

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