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February Character Trait: Initiative

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CALENDAR

Feb. 11 Day 4	
Feb. 12 Day 5	
Feb. 13 Day 1	Reach for the Top Tournament (rescheduled) Intermediate Girls Basketball Tournament
Feb. 14 Day 2	Intermediate Boys Basketball Tournament
Feb. 15 Day 3	OPPS Healthy Heart Dance Term 1 Report Cards go home

PHOTO GALLERY

Stouffville's Intermediate Girls Free Throw Champion



Celebrating Chinese New Year

AT A GLANCE INFORMATION

FDK Registration for 2019-2020: This year, our school is excited to be one of the pilot schools in the Board offering online registration for Kindergarten. Children who turn four or five years old during 2019, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. If you, or someone you know, is registering a child for Kindergarten at our school, you can access the online registration information at bit.ly/KindergartenYRDSB. Families are still welcome to register in person in the school office. Registration forms are available on the Board's website at www.yrdsb.ca. We look forward to welcoming our new students to OPPS!

Inclement Weather and Ordered Lunches: This is a reminder to all parents that when an inclement weather day is declared and the buses are cancelled, so too are all lunch programs at the school. This means that if an inclement weather day is on a Wednesday, then Sub lunch is postponed until Thursday. If an inclement weather day is on a Friday, then Pizza lunch is postponed until Monday.

Upcoming Dates:

February 18th: Family Day

February 27th: Grade 8 Graduation Photos

February 28th: York Region Skills Challenge – Seneca College

The robotics in-school winners went to Barbara Reid P.S. on Thursday for a qualifying competition. One intermediate team and one primary team were selected after the in-school competition. These two teams will go on to Barbara Reid P.S. to compete against other schools in their division. The winners of the competition will go on to Seneca college

Our Reach For The Top's first competition has been postponed until next week due to the bus cancellations on Wednesday. The team been working diligently on preparing for this by having weekly practices. Since this is our first year of running a Reach For The Top team, these students and teacher volunteers are extremely excited to compete.

This week grade 7's and 8's are participating in a poetry reading competition! Students are required to create a three minute poem and present it in front of their classes. Classes will vote for their favourite poems and some lucky students will have the opportunity to participate in the York Region District School Board Poetry Competition!

We continue to recognize Black History Month with a variety of educational opportunities. Students are also encouraged to drop by the library to sign out books on a variety of topics important to learning about our Black History. Ms. Giancoulos' class read the book "The Secret to Freedom" about Lucy, a young girl whose parents are sold off the plantation where her family lives. Oh, how she wishes things could be different. One day Lucy's older brother, Albert, comes home with something that can make a difference - a sack of quilts. The quilts are part of a secret code, and each different pattern gives important information to slaves planning to escape on the Underground Railroad. When Albert is caught one night helping the runaways, he too must flee, leaving Lucy behind. As he disappears into the darkness, Lucy fears she will never see her brother again.



Grade 5's Freedom Quilt



Library Resources

Forest of Reading

#staffliketoreadtoo
#asktheexpert



FOREST OF READING Program
Blue Spruce- K-Grade 3
Silver Birch- Grade 4,5,6
Red Maple- Grade 7/8



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Updates, pictures, what's happening in the LLC!

Makerspace

February Makerspace
Activities

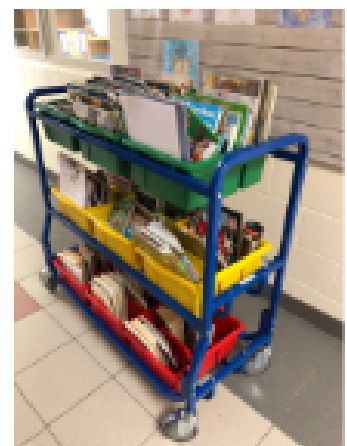
1. Snowflake Chalk Art
2. Keva Planks Snowflake Challenge
3. Lunar New Year - Red Envelopes
4. LEGO Snowflake Building
5. Stem Centre- Gears Galore (Primary) Puzzle Challenge (Junior/Intermediate)

THE LLC was host to...

-Chai and Chat (Thursday)

-Math Learning Network (teacher-learning groups from the Stouffville group of schools)

So... out came
The Travelling Library!



OPPS HEALTHY HEART DANCE – FEBRUARY 15TH

We start right away at 9:00 am

9:00-10:30 am - Primary grades and Kindergarten classes (will be divided out in 30 minute time slots)

10:30- 11:00 AM - break (recess)

11:00-12:40 - mix of primary and 4-5 classes (will be divided out in 30 minute time slots)

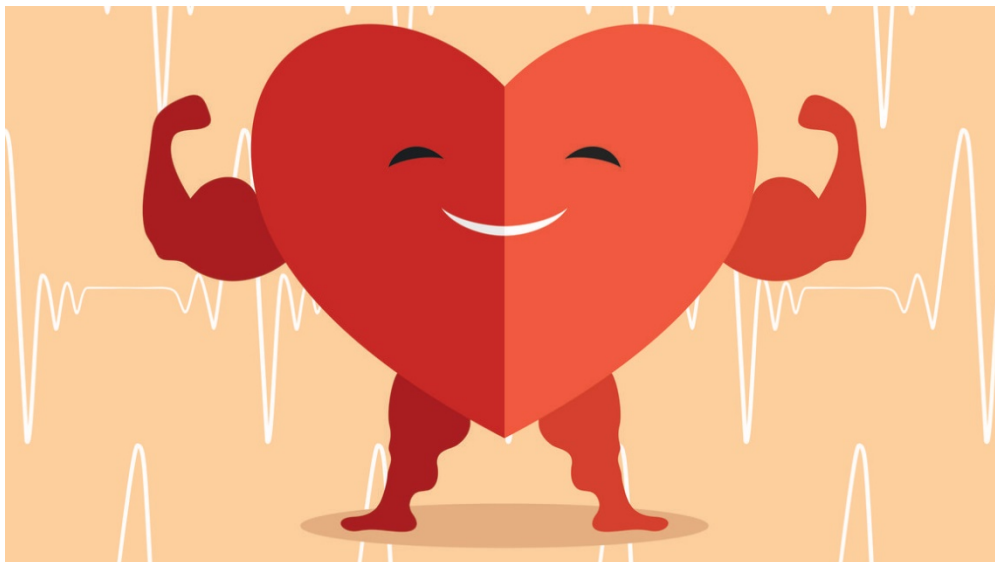
12:40-1:40 PM - lunch break

1:40 - 3:05 PM - all 6-8 classes at once.

As before, there will be booths set up at the back for the kids to explore healthy info and activities

There will be a healthy snack available and activities outside the gym too - i.e., colouring pages, etc. if kids are looking for a break from the music.

Dance is free for all of our students!



CREATING COMMUNITY FOR ALL presents:

DEALING WITH ANXIETY

OPEN FORUM

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Moderated and Facilitated by Lyndsay Thompson

Tuesday, February 12th at 7pm

**Hummingbird Hub
633 I Main Street, Stouffville**

Adults \$10

Students \$5

For More Information or to Register Online, go to
www.stouffvilleuc.ca/event

or

creatingcommunityforall@stouffvilleuc.ca



STOUFFVILLE
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Hummingbird Hub



CREATING COMMUNITY FOR ALL presents

OPEN FORUM SERIES

on

DIVERSITY

Hummingbird Hub (6331 Main Street, Stouffville)

7pm

Adults \$10 Students \$5

DIVERSITY SERIES

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| February 26 | Diversity and Inclusion 101 – History & Language |
| March 26 | How many Genders are there? |
| April 23 | Can we talk about race? |
| May 28 | Indigeneity, Truth and Reconciliation |
| June 25 | Generational Diversity |



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NAAM (WE)

Inclusive School and Community Services, YRDSB
Educators for Tamil Student Success, YRDSB

Come Together

To talk about **US**

Our Identities, Our past, present and future, Our struggles and actions

Topics:

- **Shadism** by Pirasanya Gnanasuntharam, Equity Teacher Facilitator, Inclusive School and Community Services
- **Tamil Identity** by People for Equality and Relief in Lanka (PEARL)

Naam join together for US

At

Richmond Green Secondary School

February 25, 2019

4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

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