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January Character Trait: Fairness

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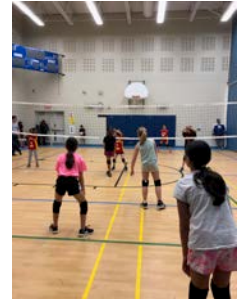
CALENDAR

Jan 14 Day 1	Grade 7's to Sibbald Point School Council Meeting
Jan 15 Day 2	Grade 7's to Sibbald Point
Jan 16 Day 3	
Jan 17 Day 4	Dental Screening JK/SK Classes
Jan 18 Day 5	P.A. Day No School

PHOTO GALLERY



Lots of reading going on!



Junior Girls Volleyball

AT A GLANCE INFORMATION

FDK Registration for 2019-2020: Kindergarten registration for September 2019 begins January 18 for the 2019-20 school year. 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. Please note that for this pilot, a laptop or desktop computer is strongly recommended, rather than a mobile device. 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.

French Immersion for 2019-2020: Interested in signing up for French Immersion (FI) next year? We are holding FI information nights at FI schools on January 17, 2019. Registration for FI will begin on January 18, 2019 and will close February 8, 2019. Learn more. <http://ow.ly/h0dG30n29fX>

OPPS Book Drive: Lots of books piling up at home? We want them! Oscar Peterson will be having a Book Drive. Please send in your book donations to the Front Office. Books will be for sale during Family Literacy Week January 21-25. Paperbacks 0.50 cents, Hardcover \$1.00. We appreciate your support.

Upcoming Dates:

January 25th: Junior Girls Volleyball tournament
January 28-30th: Grade 6's at Lake St. George
January 28th: Blanket Exercise Presentation

OSCAR PETERSON: STUDENT NEWS: 01/11/19

Welcome back parents and guardians of Oscar Peterson Public School! Hope everybody enjoyed the Winter break and are ready to get back into the routine. In this week's newsletter, we will be mentioning our Reach for the Top Team, the grade 8's venturing into picking their high school courses, the gently used book drive, crazy hat day and some exciting trips and visits for some lucky grades.

The Oscar Peterson Gently Used Book Drive has started and many books have already come in! These books will be put on sale to our students. The remainder of the books will be donated to people who don't have access to books. Please feel free to donate to our Book Drive! If you are considering donating, please ensure that the books are gently used.

To kick off the new year, our grade 3 classes have the opportunity to participate in scientist in the classroom! Scientist in the classroom is an exciting workshop for students to experience hands-on experiments and learn more on science topics they may be learning about in class.

Our grade 2's, 4's, and 7's will also be going on trips to Sibbald Point to participate in team building and educational activities to further develop their knowledge during an exciting day of planned events.

Reach for the Top is officially underway as the team of grade 7 and 8's have started their weekly practices. As a reminder, Reach for the Top is a team where students will compete against other schools and answer a series of trivia questions. The team's competition will be held in February.

As the new year begins, our grade eights are continuing to learn about high school and will soon choose their courses. They have been given some time for hands-on experience with a program called My Pathway Planner. Many intermediate teachers have been preparing the students for a new learning environment and teaching them many important steps to succeeding in high school.

Today students and staff in the school were participating in one of our annual spirit days! Crazy Hat Day! Crazy Hat Day is an opportunity for everyone to create funky, creative hats and show them off at school, even during class! Students always enjoy this exciting way to show our school spirit!







Message From Our Trustee

Welcome back. I hope everyone is feeling refreshed following the winter break, and that you had a happy and safe holiday season. While the weather may be colder, I also hope that you had time to enjoy this beautiful season in Ontario. Please remember to dress warmly.

It is my honour to serve as your newly elected school board trustee. and to uphold the [values](#) of York Region District School Board. The new [Board of Trustees](#) was sworn in on December 3, following the October municipal elections. Together, we look forward to moving forward the four priorities outlined in the [Trustees' Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#):



- Foster well-being and mental health
- Build collaborative relationships
- Champion equity and inclusivity
- Empower ethical leadership

There are a lot of exciting things happening in our schools and classrooms to foster and support student well-being and mental health. Ask your child what's happening in their school, and how they take care of themselves. As adults, we often focus on the health and well-being of the children in our lives, but it's also essential that we take care of ourselves. Taking time to do the things we enjoy and nurture our own health is also important and helps to model a healthy and active lifestyle for our children.

An important part of my [role as a trustee](#) is to listen, and look forward to connecting with members of our school community in the coming weeks and months. I will continue to work hard to represent all my constituents equally and fairly. We will continue working to build collaborative relationships with our communities and to keep you informed about the things happening in the school board. I wish you all the best as we enter 2019.

Elizabeth Terrell-Tracey

Trustee - East Gwillimbury and Whitchurch-Stouffville

<p>Coming Up!</p> <p>Book Drive January 21-25</p> <p>Have books piling up at home or in your classroom? We want them! Drop 'em off in the office!</p> <p>Family Literacy Day at OPPS Jan. 25th</p> <hr/>  <p>@OPPSLibraryLearningCommons</p> <p>Updates, pictures, what's happening in the LLC!</p>	<p>LLC Revamp</p>   <p>It's messy... but it will look great afterwards!</p> <p>NEW SHELVES are HERE! Thanks SDSS!</p>  <p>FYI-The Library is still OPEN!</p>	<p>Makerspace</p> <p>January</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. VR Goggles2. Snap Circuits3. Coding Dash Challenge4. Domino Challenge5. Paper circuits6. Stem Centre- I.O Blocks   <p>Come find a book!</p>
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Drop off at the Front Office!



Come Support Oscar Peterson at a Toronto Marlies Hockey Game!



**TORONTO
MARLIES**



**CLEVELAND
MONSTERS**



SATURDAY, MARCH 2nd 5:00 PM @ COCA-COLA COLISEUM

INCLUDES

- A post-game family skate on the Coca-Cola Coliseum Ice (9:00pm – 10:00pm)
- Ticket to the Marlies game
- Supporting the school in this unforgettable experience

Discounted group tickets only \$30 each (tax included)
Payable at School Cash Online



**Inclusive School and Community Services
Settlement and Education Partnership in York Region
Markham Tamil Organization**

Presents

Understanding our Roots: Student Forum for Tamil Heritage Month

Goals: Identity, Initiative, Inclusion

- Support a dialogue on social identities of Tamil heritage students
- Promote student voice and leadership
- Work towards an inclusive and equitable school community

Workshops

- Each student delegate will attend 4 workshops:
- Tamil History
 - Culture through Poetry
 - Tamil Canadian Identity
 - Tamil Traditional Games

Location details

Middlefield Collegiate Institute
January 19, 2019
9:30 am – 2:30 pm
Grades: 6, 7 and 8

* lunch will be provided for the participants

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Please return this section to your child’s school by January 17, 2019

I, _____ give permission for _____
Parent/Guardian Name Child’s name

to participate in the Tamil Student Forum at Middlefield C. I. on January 19, 2019

School: _____ Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

Dietary Restrictions and or Food Allergies: _____

Emergency contact: _____ Phone number: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Moderated and Facilitated by Lyndsay Thompson

Hummingbird Hub (6331 Main Street, Stouffville)

7pm

Adults \$10 Students \$5

Winter / Spring Schedule

January 15	Recognizing and Coping with Depression
February 12	Dealing with Anxiety
March 12	Social Media and Bullying
April 9	Suicide and Self-Harm
May 14	Sexuality and Gender Issues

For More Information or to Register Online, go to
Creating Community For All - Facebook Page or
creatingcommunityforall@stouffvilleuc.ca



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CREATING COMMUNITY FOR ALL presents:

Recognizing and Coping with Depression

OPEN FORUM

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS

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Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 7:00 pm

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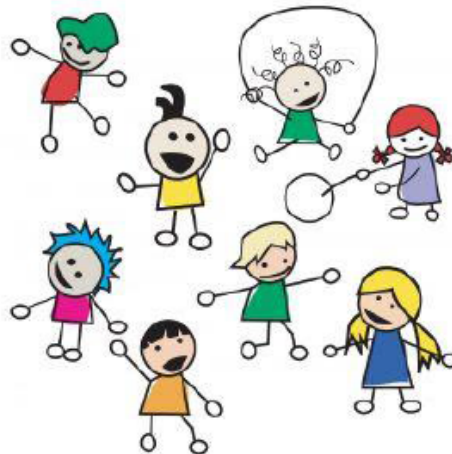
Available School Assistant Positions for 2018/2019 at Oscar Peterson Public School

Are you interested in becoming a School Assistant (lunch/recess supervisor) this year? This is a **paid position**, where adults supervise students during the lunch break (incl. lunch and recess). You will supervise students in the classroom for 20 minutes and then for recess for 40 minutes (outdoors, weather permitting).

We are currently in search of at least two more assistants to help supervise on a daily basis, from 12:40 p.m. to 1:40 p.m. We also welcome "casual" assistants who are only available on certain days rather than 5 days a week, or on call. The areas of supervision are rotated occasionally, so flexibility is appreciated. We fully train all new assistants!

How to apply:

Visit our office (or call) for a hiring package to fill out and, if you like, to arrange a tour of the school!



**Thank you for considering being a part of the
Oscar Peterson PS team - your role is an
integral component of providing a safe
learning environment for our students!**

WOULD YOU ENJOY **COLLABORATIVELY** LEARNING THE ONTARIO CURRICULUM THROUGH **THE ARTS?**

If so, the York Region District School Board offers an **Elementary Integrated Arts Program** at **Baythorn Public School**. If you are currently in grades **four or five**, you may apply for the **arts@baythorn program**, where you will have the opportunity to explore the disciplines of Dance, Drama, Visual Arts, and Music in a **cooperative learning environment**.

To learn more about the arts@baythorn program, you and your family are invited to attend an information evening at Baythorn Public School on:

Thursday, January 17, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.

Applications will be available at bit.ly/arts_application2019
online after the January 17th, 2019 info night.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 9TH, 2019 AT 4:00 PM

If you require further information, please call us at
Baythorn Public School
(905) 889-7992.

Kate Kurek
Principal

The Arts Team

Aileen Matrakoukas
Vice Principal





Red Cross Babysitting Course (with first aid & CPR)
Offered by Stayin Alive With First Aid, CPR & AED

Caregiver and first aid skills for youth 11 to 15 years old. Participants learn how to manage difficult behaviour, gain essential leadership skills, and discover professional conduct for babysitters. Babysitting promises to deepen and enhance the responsibility that older youth feel when caring for younger children. The curriculum is complete with new science about giving appropriate care in the event of an emergency.

Date: Friday, January 18th, 2019 (P.A. Day)
Duration: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (7 hours)
Location: Oscar Peterson PS., 850 Hoover Dr., Stouffville
Instructor: Stayin Alive Certified Red Cross Instructor
Cost: \$60 per participant (11 to 15 years old) + HST = \$67.80

Course content:

- Check, Call, Care (including phoning 911)
- Conscious choking (adult/child/baby/alone)
- CPR (baby/child)
- Asthma (includes use of inhaler and spacer)
- Anaphylaxis (includes use of EpiPen), poisoning and insect stings
- Wound care (minor cuts and scrapes, splinters, nosebleeds, bumps and bruises, life-threatening bleeding, and burns)
- Broken bones, head, neck and back injuries, seizures

Take-home materials:

Red Cross Babysitter's Manual
Red Cross Babysitter Certificate



Register today!
www.StayinAliveWithFirstAid.ca

Questions?
info@StayinAliveWithFirstAid.ca

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From pasta to perogies, salads to smoothies and so much more...

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Healthy Lunches. Made Simple.

JANUARY 2019 - ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL NEWSLETTER

Welcome back! For January, we have some tips for how to get outside and still have fun in the cold, including while you're walking or wheeling to school or the bus stop.

- Being dressed for the weather is the first step to enjoying the outdoors. Here are a few suggestions on how to stay warm:
 - Wear a base layer
 - Wear an insulating layer (wool socks, shirt and pants but not jeans or cotton)
 - Wear an outer shell (windproof jacket with a hood and snow pants with elastic or velcro fastening at the cuff)
 - Wear insulated waterproof snow boots
 - Have a hat that covers the ears (and a spare!)
 - Add a neck warmer
 - Finish with waterproof mittens
- Keep moving!
- Eat high-fat snacks to keep your body going.
- Drink water! Even though it's cold, the air is dry and your body can become dehydrated.

February 6th, 2019 is Winter Walk Day!

Winter Walk Day is celebrated by schools across Canada on the first Wednesday of February each year. Walking and wheeling to and from school is fun every day, so we encourage you to journey outside throughout the entire month of February!



Winter Walk Day – February 6, 2019

Schools can visit

<http://ontarioactiveschooltravel.ca/winter-walk-day/> to plan and promote a

day for your school community. There are posters, activities and more! Let us know if you are interested in participating so we can support you! If interested please contact Reena Mistry reena.mistry@yrdsb.ca.



Celebrate
Winter Walk Day 2019
in February.

*Get outside and active on your school journey.
Join the movement!*