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May Character Trait: Courage

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CALENDAR

May 13 Day 1	Grade 7's @ Fort York School Council @ 7pm
May 14 Day 2	SODA track and field meet
May 15 Day 3	Jazz Week
May 16 Day 4	Jazz Week
May 17 Day 5	Jazz Week

PHOTO GALLERY



Ms. Grant's Grade 4 Art

AT A GLANCE INFORMATION

EQAO for Grades 3 & 6: This year our Grade 3 & 6 students will be writing EQAO on the following dates: Grade 6: May 21-24 and Grade 3: May 27 – 31. We would ask that you please refrain from taking holidays during this time and minimize student absences. Thank you for your cooperation.

Class Placements: Request for class placements for the 2019-2020 year are now open. Please see below in this newsletter the procedure for how to request a placement for your child.

OPPS Track and Field: The OPPS track and field date is on May 27 at Stouffville Area - (rain date) on May 28. We welcome the support of our parent community to help ensure the event runs smoothly. If you are able to volunteer at the event, please contact Adam Jerry at adam.jerry@yrdsb.ca. Thank so much!

You're the Chef: The next class of YTC ON May 21 -3:30 -5 pm - Free to grade 6-7 students. Spaces available. Healthy cooking and baking!! Forms are outside Room 219. Return to Ms. Coyne.

Upcoming Dates:

May 20th: No School

May 22nd: Welcome to Kindergarten Night

May 24th: Class Placement Request Deadline

May 21-June 3: Grade 3 & 6 EQAO

OSCAR PETERSON: STUDENT NEWS: 05/13/19

Last week 3 grade seven students attended the United Student Voices. They joined hundreds of other grade 7-10 students in our board to discuss equity and marginalization. They helped have the student voice heard to make change in our board. Thank you to Ms. Rand for accompanying these students to this amazing conference!



The grade 8s had the special opportunity to attend a Career, Trades, and Colleges Exploration Showcase in Toronto this week. They participated in special workshops focused on carpentry and GPS mapping and participated in a variety of hands-on demonstrations. This field trip allowed students to explore a diversity of potential career options before they embark onto high school!

The Junior Boys had a terrific basketball season. They went 19-5 on the season, while winning the Barbara Reid Invitational tournament, winning the Bill Crother's Invitational tournament and placing a very close second in their Area tournament. Great job boys!



Mrs. Woodcroft's Grade 6 class using the Cartesian Plan to create and play pentomino battleship! #mathgamesthatteach.



Ms. Warrener's Grade 1 class sharing their stories.

OSCAR PETERSON: CELEBRATING STUDENT SUCCESS



2 of our students were nominated for awards celebrating success in the Arts, Academics, Athletics and School Leadership from the Alliance of Educators for Black Students. Congratulations to Danya in Grade 4 and Teaja in Grade 8 for receiving this recognition for all of the wonderful contributions to our school! We are very proud of your accomplishments.

Congratulations!

Celebrating Student Success recognizes elementary and secondary students from across York Region District School Board for their amazing participation in their school community. This year Mia was recognized for all of the varied ways that she participates in school life to make Oscar Peterson a better place to be. Congratulations Mia on this accomplishment! We are very proud of you.



Congratulations!



Ukkamathu Kaividaale, pronounced Uuk-Ka-Ma-Thu Kai-Vi-Dale, means to persevere and strive to reach one's true potential. These Awards of Excellence are presented to students of Tamil heritage from Grades 7 – 12, who have demonstrated outstanding skills and achievements in various areas. It is the "UUKKAMATHU KAIVIDALE" team's goal to encourage students to strive for excellence. Congratulations to Neya in Grade 8 for receiving this award! We are very proud of you!

MUSIC MONDAY

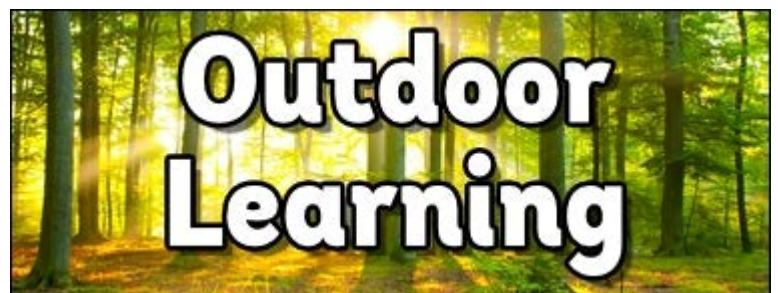
On Monday May 6th, our school participated again in the annual Music Monday event, put on by the Coalition of Music Canada. Music Monday celebrates music education by joining together hundreds of thousands of students nationwide, performing the same song on the same day. This year's Music Monday song just happened to be one written by Oscar Peterson. Our school was excited to go BIG in the planning and performing the song "Hymn to Freedom" by our school's namesake. The results were better than expected! We are excited to hang a picture of the event in our school hall, in order to remember this fun day!



OPPS OUTDOOR CLASSROOM



Thank you to the parent-, grandparent- and teacher-volunteers who came out to the OPPS outdoor space Work Party! They moved 6 tons of limestone, 4 tons of sand, 2 yards of mulch and 6 yards of garden soil! The sand box and garden beds were reinforced, the depleted soil replaced, and the trees were fertilized and given some much needed T.L.C! As a community, all are welcome to lend a hand and act on anything that needs attention or care at any time. Thank you again volunteers!



LATCHAM ART GALLERY: STUDENT ART CELEBRATIONS



CLASS PLACEMENT REQUESTS:

As we create our classes for next year, our staff will make every effort to place students in the best learning environment for each student to be successful. We take into account individual needs, academic achievement, emotional and social development, number of boys and girls in each class, and work habits. If parents would like to provide input into this process for their child(ren), we ask that you please submit this input in writing to Mr. Shabbar and Ms. Legros by May 24, 2019. We ask that you please ensure a copy is sent to your child's present classroom teacher. The school does not accept requests for specific teachers. While your input is carefully considered, the final decision about the students' class placement rests with the school.

Our Class Organization for the 2019-2020 school year is included below:

K1/K2A	Gr. 1A	Gr. 2A	Gr. 3A	Gr. 4A
K1/K2B	Gr. 1B	Gr. 2B	Gr. 3B	Gr. 4B
K1/K2C	Gr. 1C	Gr. 2C	Gr. 3C	Gr. 4C
K1/K2D		Gr. 2/3A		
K1/K2E				
K1/K2F				
Gr. 5A	Gr. 6A	Gr. 7A	Gr. 8A	CCAA
Gr. 5B	Gr. 6B	Gr. 7B	Gr. 8B	CCAB
Gr. 5C		Gr. 7/8A		
Gr. 5/6A				

LIBRARY LEARNING COMMONS (LLC)

MAY MAKERSPACE Challenges

- Jellybean-Waterbottle Challenge
- The Red Tree Fort
- Marble Run
- Keva Soccer
- Rangoli patterns
- Chopstick challenge



South Asian Heritage Month and
Mental Health Awareness Week



UPCOMING...

Library Books to be
returned by...
JUNE 12th



OVERDUE Books- No charge (we are nice here in the library!)

LOST Books - We ask you to replace the book with a new copy **OR** pay the fine listed on the sheet your child comes home with.

Thank you for your continued support!

OPPS ANNUAL FUN FAIR:



Request for Cake Walk Cakes and Bake Sale items: Anyone able to donate bake sale items or cakes for our cake walk please email Kate LoPresti @ katieg79@hotmail.com . Items should be nut free and cake boxes will be available in the office the week before the Fun Fair. Here are some cake walk photos for inspiration. The basic idea is get a cake mix and some store bought candy and decorations and go to town...bake sale items can be anything...cookies, cupcakes, squares etc.



Please Save the Date
Barbara Reid PS - A Night of Mindfulness

Wednesday, May 29th, 2019

Parents - Mindfulness is a simple and effective way to help quiet the mind, increase attention, regulate emotions, and manage stress and anxiety. This session is a fun and engaging opportunity for parents to learn mindfulness practices and skills that can be used every day.

Facilitators:
Plug-In Sisters
Theresa Simpatico - Certified
Meditation Instructor
Silvia D'Addario - PhD
Irina Galardi - Nurse &
Reiki Practitioner
Tanya Ricketts - Life Coach
Ursola Azar - Health Coach

Kids - The children will lead in a playful yoga adventure as they learn about the connection of their bodies, minds and energy through proper breathing and movement. They will also have a chance to experience some mindfulness games and activities and when the parents join in, all will be led in a guided relaxation.

Facilitator:
Tanya Porter - Certified Yoga and Meditation teacher and founder of The Inner Space. She teaches life tools through yoga and mindfulness workshops privately and in schools as well as for the Worry Buster Program at the Markham Stouffville Hospital.

Please register by sending an email with your name and children's name(s) to BRPSmindfulness@gmail.com

Two sessions:

First session - from 5:45pm to 6:45pm

Second session - from 7:15pm to 8:15pm

space is limited to Maximum 30 children per session



EDEN MILLS
WRITERS' FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 6-8, 2019

POETRY CONTEST FOR CHILDREN & TEENS

Cash prizes are awarded in the following categories:
Primary (Grades 1-3) • Junior (Grades 4-6)
Intermediate (Grades 7-8) • Junior High (Grades 9-10)
Senior High (Grades 11-12)

DEADLINE: MAY 31, 2019

Questions? Contact
manager@emwf.ca

To enter, visit emwf.ca/contests