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### SCHOOL RENOVATIONS INFORMATION MEETING

Please attend our school information meeting on Thursday January 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in our gymnasium. At that meeting, you will learn information about the renovation that will be happening next spring at Parkview to increase the size of our Primary wing to provide new classroom space for our Full Day Kindergarten program which will start in September 2014. Our speakers for this evening will be our Superintendent, Dr. Lisa Walsh, and the YRDSB's manager of new construction, Bryan Blackert.

During this evening, our speakers will provide us with an overview of the scope of the project. We will also be provide with visuals to support our understanding of what our experience will be like in the months to come and to provide us with a clear vision of the finished product. We look forward to seeing you there.

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

As you know, there will be no school from Friday December 20 to Sunday January 5 inclusive. Please note that it is a PA day on **Friday December 20** and there is no school that day!

As the calendar year draws to a close, the staff at Parkview wishes you and your family a very happy and safe holiday season! We look forward to greeting you back at school on **Monday January 6, 2014 at 8:30AM**. See you then!

For up to date information visit our calendar on the school website at: http://www.parkview.ps.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/Or Follow us on Twitter@ParkviewPS1

Respect Honesty Fairness Perseverance Courage Responsibility Empathy Initiative Integrity Optimism

# **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION DAY**

Kindergarten Registration January 17th, 2014, 8:30 a.m. — 3:30 p.m. note that families that are already enrolled in kindergarten at Parkview P.S. do not need to re-register for SK.

All children born in 2010 are eligible for Junior Kindergarten for the 2014-2015 school year. Children born in 2009 and not currently attending public school are eligible for Senior Kindergarten in September 2014. Kindergarten registration will begin on January 17th, 2014 8:30 a.m. and will be ongoing. To register, families will need to bring the following information:

- Child's birth certificate or passport
- Proof of residency- most recent tax bill
- **Rental Agreement** (if applicable)



Please note that all required documentation must be submitted and complete in order for your child to be enrolled. Kindly inform any friends or neighbours who have an eligible child and do not presently have children attending Parkview. We encourage you to register early (but not before January 17th) to avoid disappointment. We anticipate that our classes will continue to be blended JK/SK classes. Next year we will be offering a full day everyday kindergarten program. For further information, please call the school at 905-477-2172.

# Too Sick to go Outside for Recess?

Then you are too sick to attend school. It is an expectation at Parkview PS that if your child attends school then they must go outside at the recess breaks. Supervision is not available in classrooms or the office during these times of the day. On severe weather days with extreme wind chill temperatures or a cold weather alert, we use judgement to shorten the length of time spent outdoors. As you know, dressing your children in layers is a great way to keep them warm.



DROPPING OFF A SCHOOL LUNCH FOR YOUR CHILD? PLEASE REMEMBER-THAT ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FRONT DOORS WILL BE LOCKED



Beginning Monday, February 3, 2014. Our front school doors will be locked 15 minutes after the school bell rings in the morning and will stay locked for the remainder of the school day. - this means, our front door will be locked at 8:45 AM every day. All visitors, including parents/ guardians will be required to use the buzzer at the front door and to sign in at the main office.

Please have your child(ren) bring their lunch to school in the morning.



# **School Bus Cancellation Notice**

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled from time to time due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Since some busing schedules begin by 7:00 a.m., cancellation decisions must be made by 6:00 a.m. to allow time to communicate this message to bus drivers. Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following: A decision to cancel school bus service will be **region-wide** meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate. **School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather is not affecting all municipalities in York Region**. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology..Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information: **<u>RADIO</u>** 

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM	
1540 AM	1580 AM					
88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM	94.9 FM		/ .
95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM		
101.1 FM	102.1 FM 104	.5 FM 100.7 FM	107.1 FM			21

#### TELEVISION

CITY TV CTVBarrie CFTOTV CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at <u>www.schoolbuscitv.com</u> and by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following the YCDSB and YRDSB on twitter.

Please note that school bus charters will not operate when home to school bus service is cancelled.

#### Prevent Infection by Hand Washing!

It is that time of year when many children are getting ill with symptoms such as fever, sore throat, vomiting and diarrhea. If your child becomes ill with these symptoms, please keep them home from school until they have recovered. If the symptoms persist please consult your family physician.

Please remember that Hand Washing is the single most important procedure for preventing infections. Recommendations on Hand Washing :

- hands must be washed using soap and water:
- before preparing, handling, serving or eating food
- • when hands are visibly dirty
- after personal body functions, such as using the toilet or blowing one's nose

<u>Lost and Found</u> There are many articles of clothing in our bin of Lost and Found located by the junior doors. Please be sure to check the bins for your child's missing coats, hats, mitts and sweaters. The unclaimed clothing will be donated to the less fortunate.



#### Inside Shoes

Please consider footwear that can be reserved for indoor wear only (shoes or slippers). This will help keep feet dry

help keep feet dry and warm and the classrooms clean through the winter season









# **Classroom News:**

The Primary Division had a wonderful month of December. It was a fun and festive month as we prepared for the holiday season with decorations, crafts and holiday activities.

Many classes had a visit from Scientists in School and our Primary students completed the Learn to Skate program. Congratulations to all students who participated! The Primary students also enjoyed buying books at the Scholastic Book Fair and even had a special visit from Geronimo Stilton! Many of our students also supported the Fellowship for the Phillipines Toy Sale by purchasing toys and donating money to a very worthy cause. On behalf of the entire Primary Division, we would like to wish you and your family a very safe and happy holidays!







# Thank you for your support

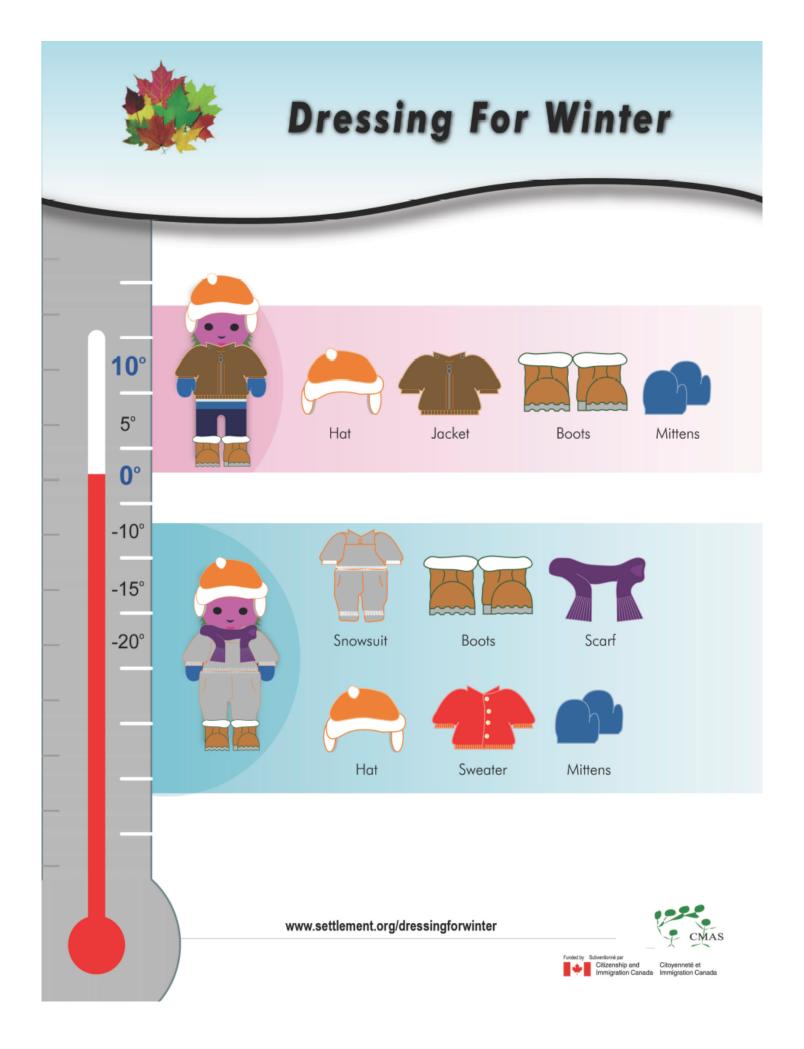
#### Fellowship For The Philippines Toy Store Fundraiser

The Fellowship For The Philippines Toy Store fundraiser, organized by The Culture of Compassion Club, took place at the beginning of December. The event was a great success!!! It was organized for the purpose of amassing monetary support for the people who suffered the destruction caused by Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines. Many people lost their lives and tens of thousands more have been rendered homeless. We, at Parkview Public School, should be proud of the way we banded together as a community to support the lives of and to contribute to the hopeful return of happiness for others in need. Many families very generously donated new or gently used toys for the 'toy store'. Many students patronized the toy store daily. Through the charity of our community, we exceeded expectations by raising a total of almost \$1300 to send to the Philippines. The Canadian Red Cross have extended heartfelt gratitude to the families of Parkview Public School. Again, on behalf of those for whom your thoughtfulness is making a difference, thank you for supporting the Fellowship For The Philippines fundraiser. Well done and Happy Holidays.

Mr. Rainford, Mr. Trivelli, & The Culture of Compassion Club



# Letter to Parent Council from Grade 3/4 Students









Dear Parents,

As has been communicated earlier, we have had a traffic review conducted by representatives from the city, board, school administration, and parent community. This has resulted in the changes to some of our signs (please see below). The most significant change is that cars are no longer able to stop in front of the school on either side of the street (dash red lines) during the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up times. Please look at the map below for acceptable places to stop during these times (red solid lines). We will continue to use the bus loop, and here are some practices that can help us to use this space more effectively:

- Move as far as you can in the bus loop to make more space and **do not** overtake cars in the loop
- Say your goodbyes before you get to school
- Have children exit on the **passenger side** (for safety reasons)
- Have children have their bags on their laps or beside them (this makes the exit time less)

Thank you for your help with this.



