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Grandfather Teaching: TRUTH

To learn the truth, to live with truth, to walk with truth and to speak the truth Character Trait: INTEGRITY



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April Calendar

2	Easter Monday, No School		
6	Earth Rangers Visit		
13	Autism Awareness, Wear Blue		
16	Gr. 1/2 Scientist in School		
11, 18, 25	Gr. 5/6 VIP		
18	Jr. Boys Basketball Area Tournament		
25	Jr. Girls Basketball Area Tournament		
27	Beach Day Celebration Assembly Welcome Parents & Volunteers Volunteer Reception 9:00 am		

April is Volunteer Month!

Our school is fortunate to have volunteers who generously offer our staff and students their time, talents and insight. Whether our volunteers work in a "hands-on" capacity in a classroom or in an advisory role on a committee, we recognize and value our volunteers for their commitment and contributions. Thank you, volunteers, for making QPS a wonderful place to be! We would like to invite all volunteers to join us for refreshments at our next Celebration Assembly, Fri., April 27th at 9:00 am.





A LOOK AT WHAT'S NEW!

Introducing Online Absence Reporting

Parents/guardians can now report student absences online. Regular and punctual attendance affects school success and is expected of all students. It is important that students, families and school staff work together to ensure regular attendance. However, if your child is going to be absent, it is important to let the school know as soon as possible for the safety and security of your child.

Reporting an absence online is now available through Edsby. If you have activated your Edsby account, you can login to Edsby (yrdsb.edsby.com) and report your child's absence online. Parents/guardians can use the "Report an Absence" feature in Edsby to notify the school of any absences. You can access an online video tutorial by clicking on the link below to learn more about how to do this. Learn more about using Edsby to report an absence.

Families can still continue to report absences by phone.



Summer Institute

Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8? <u>Summer Institute offers</u> 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 <u>Summer</u> <u>Institute</u> page on <u>www.yrdsb.ca</u>.

North Locations: Newmarket @ Maple Leaf PS Keswick @ Fairwood PS Stouffville @ Oscar Peterson PS



Registration opens March 7. Families can now register online, as well as in person or by mail.

Base Registration Weekly Fees:

York Region District School Board students: \$105 (4 day weeks) \$120 (5 day weeks) Non- York Region District School Board students: \$130 (4 day weeks) \$155 (5 day weeks)



Upcoming Town Halls

Contribute to Strategic Planning at YRDSB - Upcoming Town Halls

York Region District School Board is revisioning its Multi-Year Plan (MYP) and Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement and Well-being. The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic direction of public education in York Region public schools. The MYP incorporates the direction established by the Trustees with feedback received from all stakeholders, and will inform decision making at the Board in the years to come. Town halls will be taking place across the region and feedback collected from families and community members will inform the creation of a new MYP. Your voice is important and your input and feedback will help York Region District School Board support student achievement and well-being. There will also be other opportunities, including a survey available in April, to share your thoughts if you are unable to attend a town hall.

Save the Date!

TOWN HALL DATES AND TIMES	LOCATIONS	
Monday, April 16, 2018	Keswick High School	
7 - 9 p.m.	100 Biscayne Blvd., Keswick	
Wednesday, April 18, 2018	Markville Secondary School	
6 - 9 p.m.	1000 Carlton Rd., Markham	
Sunday, April 22, 2018	Sir William Mulock Secondary School	
2 - 4 p.m.	705 Columbus Way, Newmarket	
Wednesday, April 25, 2018	Maple High School	
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	50 Springside Rd., Maple	
Saturday, April 28, 2018	Bayview Secondary School	
10 a.m 12 p.m.	10077 Bayview Ave., Richmond Hill	



AROUND OUR SCHOOL...





Thank you, school council and Magician Ron, for such a great show! Students enjoyed snacking on popcorn while being amazed by the magician's tricks.





Personalized pink t-shirts created by our Gr. 5/6 students. At QPS, we say "NO!" to bullying and "YES!" to kindness.

In support of Earth Hour, QPS participated by turning off the lights and monitors on March 23rd from 2:20-3:20 pm.



EarthHOUR



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On March 5th, our students enjoyed learning how to draw comic book characters. They were eager to receive their ordered books to continue the drawing fun at home.

CLASS









UPCOMING EVENTS!

welcome to Kindergar-en!

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Welcome to Kindergarten

TOGETHER, LET'S MAKE YOUR CHILD'S START TO KINDERGARTEN A BIG SUCCESS!

Join us for a Welcome to Kindergarten[™] orientation and share in family activities that will help your child have a successful transition to kindergarten.

For other early learning resources please visit our website at: thelearningpartnership.ca





On Fri., May 4th from 8:45-10:30 am, we would like to invite our new Kindergarten students along with their families to join us in learning how to support a smooth transition to Kindergarten at Queensville Public School. Students will be learning while engaging through play. Families will learn simple Kindergarten activities that will support the development of the whole child. Materials will be provided. Parents will learn about the Kindergarten program and have the chance to ask questions. Please confirm your attendance by contacting the school.

We will be visited by Earth Rangers! This organization is dedicated to educating students about biodiversity and inspiring them to adopt sustainable behaviours and empowering them to become directly involved in protecting animals and their habitats. We'll get to see live animal demonstrations. We are looking forward to participating in this interactive presentation as we learn about protecting animals.



The Kids' Conservation Organization



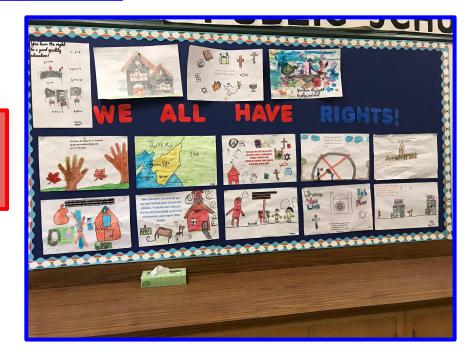
APRIL IS VOLUNTEER MONTH



Registration is required, please call 905-478-3826 by April 9th to reserve your seat. The Town of East Gwillimbury is hosting an Volunteer Appreciation dinner on Monday, April 16th from 6-9 pm. This invitation is for all our school volunteers. Registration is required by April 9th to reserve your seat.

At QPS, we would like to celebrate our volunteers' contributions to our school community by inviting all our school volunteers to a refreshment reception at 9:00 am on Friday, April 27th in our Learning Commons. Please join us!

Posters created by our students that serve to remind us of the rights of a child.





SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

Please join us for our next School Council Meeting on Monday, May 7th at 5:30 pm. *All are welcome!*





Join us for a FAMILY MOVIE FUN NIGHT at the Gem Theatre on Monday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm. \$3.00/ticket. Invite your family and friends! We need 50 tickets sold for the event to take place.

Rated G, running time is 95 mins.

Vesey's Bulbs Spring Fundraiser

Thank you for your support! Stay tuned for an approximate total amount raised for our school.

The success of our School Council initiatives rely heavily on the amazing volunteers and support from our Community. Thank you to all of you for all you do!

Volunteers Needed!

EDITOR FOR QPS YEARBOOK 2017/2018

We are looking for a parent volunteer to support the creation of our school yearbook. If you have a talent in this area, we would greatly appreciate your help! Please contact the school if you are interested.



LOOKING AHEAD AT APRIL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Easter Monday No School	Day 2 3	Day 3 4 Parent Symposium	Day 4 5	Day 56Baked by JennyImage: Second sec
Day 1 9	Day 2 10	Day 3 11	Day 4 12 Boys' Basketball Game	Day 5 Autism 13 Awareness Wear Blue Baked, by Jenny
Day 1 16 Gr.1/2 Scientist in School	Day 2 17	Day 3 18 Gr. 5/ 6 VIP Boys Basketball Area Tournament	Day 4 19	Day 5 20
Day 1 23 Movie Night at the Gem Theatre Peter Rabbit	Day 2 24	Day 3 25	Day 4 26	Day 5 27 Baked, yJenny (Second Volunteer Reception Celebration Assembly Beach day