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#### Grandfather Teaching: BRAVERY

Doing something right even if it is hard to do. Character Trait: COURAGE



We face challenges directly. We seek help from others when necessary. We do the right thing even when it may be unpopular. We are able to recognize risks and danger and do not take unwise risks to gain the approval of those around us.

### MAY Calendar

4	Spirit Day: Star Wars Day
4	Welcome to Kindergarten
7	Scientist in School Gr. 1/2
21	Victoria Day~ No School
28-31	EQAO for grades 3 & 6
31	Spirit Day: Stuffy Day



YOUR CHILD'S START TO KINDERGARTEN A BIG SUCCESS!

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

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 on Friday, May 4th for 8:45-10:30 am by contacting the school via email or you can leave a message by calling the office. We look forward to seeing our new families on Friday!



# EQAO for Grades 3 & 6

Students in grades 3 and 6 will be taking part in the provincial Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. This assessment is administered to all **Grade 3** & **Grade 6** students in Ontario's publicly funded school system by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), an independent agency of the Government of Ontario. Grade 3 students and Grade 6 students will complete the assessment from May 28th-May 31st.

Students will complete a variety of assessment activities designed to allow them to demonstrate their skills and knowledge relating to reading, writing and mathematics. EQAO assessment questions are directly based on the expectations set out in *The Ontario Curriculum*, which is what teachers teach in the classroom every day; therefore, your child does not need to prepare in any special way. In order to support your child during this assessment time, we offer these tips:

- Students need to be present for each day of the assessment, please refrain from making any appointments during those days
- Pack some extra healthy snacks and a reusable water bottle
- Ensure that your child gets plenty of rest during the assessment period
- Ask questions about the tasks they performed so they can share their learning
- Encourage, encourage and encourage!

For more information about EQAO, to view sample assessments and access parent resources, you are encouraged to visit <u>www.eqao.com</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact the school or your child's teacher. Thank you very much for your continued support.





## Safety In Our Community

It's a good time for parents to remind children about personal safety.

Here's what children need to know:

- Their name, age, telephone number, address, city and province. This can be done through rhyme or song.
- How to contact their parents at any time, by memorizing cell or work numbers.
- How and under what circumstances to call 911.
- To never approach or enter a stranger's vehicle. A responsible adult would never ask a child for directions or any other question for that matter.
- Make sure they know they have a right to say "no" to an adult, especially when the adult is asking them to do something they have been taught is wrong or feels uncomfortable. Reminding children of this right is important because children are taught from a young age to respect adults.
- To always tell parents where they will be and to never enter someone's home without their parent's permission.
- If home alone, never admit it when answering the phone. Never answer a knock at the door or speak through it. Adults can be very persuasive. Teach your child to call you if there is a knock at the door and if they fear for their safety, teach them to call 911. Make sure they know that police officers are there to help them and would not get mad if it were a false alarm.
- If they think they are being followed or are in danger they should run home or to a public place. If someone grabs them, they should try to get away, yelling and screaming while doing so.
- It is important to play in safe areas, never take shortcuts and stick with a buddy whenever possible.

It is never too early or too late to teach children the importance of personal safety. Common sense, communication and consistency are the keys. Remind children to alert a responsible adult if something strange happens that makes them feel uncomfortable. Remember, crime prevention is everyone's responsibility.

For more information on this subject, visit www.yrp.ca.



## CHARACTER MATTERS @ QPS

We ended April with our Character Assembly. At QPS, we celebrate, promote and practice acts of good character. We recognized students who demonstrated perseverance and integrity consistently.

Perseverance Award Recipients: Faith, Mickinlee, Miral, Tyson, Riley, Dimitri, Amel, Tyler, Tai

Integrity Award Recipients: Olivia L., Brad, Lila, Abderrahman, Tommy, Jack R., Keaton, Sarah



#### **Congratulations, Students!**

**Congratulations to our Boys and Girls Basketball Teams!** We had a fun season, playing in exhibition games and in the area tournaments. Each team won a game and our coaches, Mrs. Kenny and Mrs. Mitchell, are very proud of their hard work! Thank you for representing our school so well! Go, Cougars! Congratulations to: Maya, Agam, Avery, Jaryn, Kamryn, Jaci, Lily, Alina, Micaela, Dimitri, Andrew, Jack, Alex, Keaton, Austin, Rhys.





### THE FACTS OF LICE

Head lice are common in school-aged children. They are not considered to be a communicable disease and do not cause illness, however they are a nuisance and can spread easily. Anyone can get them. Checking for lice takes patience, diligence and plenty of time. A co-operative community effort will help to control the spread of head lice. This means that all families need to have regular head checks and treat their children if head lice are found.

Please <u>click here</u> for information provided by <u>York Region Community and Health Services</u> <u>Department</u> on steps to check for head lice and how to control the spread of head lice



## **AROUND OUR SCHOOL...**



We were 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 enjoyed seeing live animal demonstrations.



Students created individualized puzzle pieces as symbols that reflect the mystery and complexity of Autism Spectrum Disorder. The different puzzle pieces represent the diversity of the individuals affected by ASD.





## **AROUND OUR SCHOOL...**







These beautiful "Disasterpieces" created by our Gr. 5/6 students are currently on display on the walls in our hallway.





#### Early Bird Pricing in Effect until January 1<sup>st</sup> – February 28<sup>th</sup>

(register after February 28th add \$50.00)

Division		Location	Game Lengt and Format	h t	Offered On (Register for Weeknight or Weekend)				Early Bire Price
U4 (2014) Mixed U5 (2013) Mixed			15 minutes (3v3)		Tuesday or Saturday				
		Mount Albert	20 minutes (3)	(3)	Wednesday or Saturday			\$170.00	
U6 (2012) Boys & (	<b>irls</b>		30 minutes (4	v4)	Thursday or Sat		or Satur	day	
					Game	Night	Optio	nal Practice	
U8 Boys (2011-10) U8 Girls (2011-10)			ZX 25 halves	5	Wedn	Wednesday			
		1	5v5	1	Thursday		Monday (Staff Led)		\$185.00
U10 Boys (2009-08)	)	Mount Albert	ZX25 halves					in the D	- ALE SALES
U10 Girls (2009-08)			7v7		Tue	sday Mond		ay (Staff Led)	
U12 Boys (2007-06)	í .	Mount Albert,	2X 30 halves		Tues	luesday		the Hand	
U12 Girls (2007-06)		Georgina	919	1	Thur	Thursday		Monday (Staff Led)	
U14 Boys (2005-04)					Thur	Thursday		the start for the start	
U14 Girls (2005-04) U16 Boys (2003-02) U16 Girls (2003-02)		Mount Albert, Georgina, Newmarket,		1	Wednesday		Monday (Staff Led)		\$200.00
			2X40 halves			sday		N/A	
			11v11						
U18 Boys (2001-00)		Stouffville, Markham				adau .		N//A	
U18 Girls (2001-00)					Monday		N/A		
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Division		Program			nes On	Start/E	nd Date	Location	
Men's Senior A	A recre	ational 14-18 game so	occer season for						
Men's Senior B	men who are not eligible for youth soccer.								
Women's Senior A		The divisions are open-aged provided you were born in 1999 or earlier.			iday,	May	25	Mount Albert	
Women's Senior B		and individual regist		Sunday		September 16			
Co-Ed Senior B	accepted. Team registration will be on a first come basis.								\$230.00
Over 30 7-aside	A 30+ (born in 1988 or earlier) league played on a 7 a-side field. Only individual registrations are permitted and teams will be balanced to ensure a fun season for all players. This program is offered with a Merr's and Women's Division.				iday	May 25 September 14		Mount Albert	

For full details on league format, program description & night of play visit www.egsc.ca • (905) 473-7656 • admin@egsc.ca • #soar2018

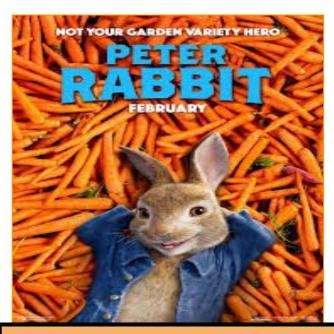


### SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

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



Vesey's Bulbs Spring Fundraiser was a success! Thank you for your support! Our students are excited to see some flowers blooming around the school.



Thank you, QPS families, for coming out to our Family Fun Movie Night. We at a great time at the GEM theatre watching Peter Rabbit. We hope to do another movie night in future!



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!



# LOOKING AHEAD AT MAY

Monday	Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursda	у	Friday	
Day 1 30 EG Public Library visits Gr. 1/2	Day 2	2	Day 3	3	Day 4	4	Day 5 Baked, by Jenny Welcome Kindergan Star Wars	rten
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Day 1 14	Day 2	15	Day 3	16 ′IP	Day 4	17	Day 5 Baked, by Jenny	18
21 Victoria Day No School	Day 1	22	Day 2	23	Day 3	24	Day 4 25 Baked, by Jenny &	
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