

Regency Acres P.S.



From the Office of Ms. Leoni

Dear Regency Families,

Regency Acres Public
School

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Regency Acres has decided to join a York Region effort to help build a library for the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nations. This First Nations group is undertaking a large project to build a new community centre. Regency Acres would be one of several partners across York Region supporting this endeavour. Part of the Festive Shop proceeds will go towards kicking-off the school support for this cause. In the future, it is our goal to partner with the Waabjion Gamig First Nation School - a federal school on the Island. More information will be shared in the future about the learning opportunities for students at Regency Acres. We appreciate your support.

A letter regarding our school's theatre production, Camp Rock was sent home. The letter shares information about show times and ticket costs. You will see that there will only be one day time show (on Mon., Feb. 27). All adult/family tickets will be purchased directly from the theatre (on-line). The letter will provide you with specific details. We look forward to your attendance during the evening shows.



Student Council is working really hard to plan a special Valentine's. As well, every student and staff on this day will be called down to assemble their FREE parfait (a tradition students love!). We also appreciate the continued support from School Council and our parent community. Events like Parfait Day are possible with all of the tremendous fundraising efforts at our school.

A reminder that Term One report cards go home on Friday, February 17th. If there are any questions, please contact your child's homeroom teacher. Also, Monday, February 20th is Family Day and the school will be closed. Wishing you special time with your family.

Sincerely,

Lisa Leoni
Principal



A MESSAGE FROM OUR TRUSTEE

We are now halfway through the school year. This is a good time to reflect on all that your child has learned and to look at setting goals for the rest of the school year.

Our Board believes that student well-being and achievement go hand-in-hand. One of our goals set out in the [Board of Trustees' Multi-Year Plan](#) is to "continuously increase student achievement and well-being through a culture of caring and learning."

The Ministry of Education has recently identified [four priorities for well-being](#): positive mental health, safe and accepting schools, healthy schools, and equity and inclusive education. As a Board of Trustees, we will continue to further work in all of these areas to support student well-being in line with these priorities.

There are many resources on the Board website to help support student well-being, including tips for [talking about mental health](#), [managing stress](#), [packing healthy lunches](#) and [addressing incidents of bullying](#).

Creating a healthy, safe and welcoming learning environment is key to helping our students reach their full potential. All of us have an important role to play in creating an environment that enables our students to thrive.

I wish you all the best for a healthy, happy and successful 2017.

OUR SCHOOL TIMES

School Hours:
8:25 a.m. - 2:55 p.m.

Organization of the School Day

8:20.....Entry Bell
 8:25.....Classes begin
8:25 - 10:05.....Instructional Time
 10:05 - 10:35.....Recess
10:35 - 12:15.....Instructional Time
 12:15 - 1:15.....Lunch
1:15 - 2:55.....Instructional Time
 2:55.....Dismissal



Our office hours are as follows:

We are open from:
8:00—4:00 p.m.

The voicemail is on before and after these hours for messages.

LUNCH ASSISTANTS NEEDED

We are in need of responsible adults who can assist us during our lunch hour (12:15-1:15) to supervise our students. This is a paid position.

If you love being with children and are interested please contact our office at 905 727-9811.



SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended the School Council meeting on January 18, 2017. Here are a few things coming up:

Ski Nights: Our first ski night was a great success and it was nice to see so many families come out! Mark your calendars for the next two ski nights: Feb. 10 & Feb. 24. Thank you to Ski Ambassadors: Aly & Colin (both Gr. 8) for talking to each class about ski nights, and a big thank you to Parent Lead: Rodney Mooy for organizing this great activity once again for Regency!

Valentine's Day: There will be 2 treats for students this year... a FREE parfait day; as well as; a special message event that all students can participate in, organized by Student Council!

The Dance-A-Thon will be Friday, April 7. We will once again be offering students fantastic prizes for draws!

NOTE: If anyone would like to donate a prize, please contact Leah Clark at clrk1h@yahoo.ca. We received so many great donations last year (e.g., lego, gift cards, signed Leafs Jersey, art supplies, Fitbits, Blue Jays tickets, chocolates, books, games, Raptors tickets, etc). Anything you can donate is greatly appreciated!

I would like to give a shout-out to Caroline Wiley, parent lead Hot Lunch Program. Caroline has been involved with Hot Lunch for many years and it continues to be a significant fundraiser for RAPS. Not only does Caroline negotiate & order all of the food items from suppliers, she coordinates the student orders and manages the delivery on hot lunch day with parent & student volunteers. She leads by example, and always with a smile on her face! Also, in working with Raps office staff, Caroline has expanded the cash-on-line process for Hot Lunch so that parents can now order an entire session at one time. Thank you Caroline for your dedication and positive contribution in making the hot lunch program such a great success at Regency!

Our next school council meeting is Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.
Hope you can join us.
Happy Valentine's Day!!

Joan Lash
Chair, School Council

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Here we have our new student council team for this school year at Regency Acres.

We have our Prime Minister (*Thomas*), Deputy Prime Minister (*Sarah*), Speaker of the House (*Kana*), Minister of Education (*Alyson*), Minister of Environment (*Colin*), Minister of Multiculturalism (*Liam*), Minister of Health (*Maya*), Minister of Finance (*Megan*), and Minister of Justice (*Ava*). We have had many fun school spirit days already, such as House colour day,, pajama day, school dances, etc., and we have so many more to come, including Disney day and jersey day! Our whole team has such good ideas for the school, and we are so excited to put them into action!

Get ready for an exciting year at Regency!





CAMP ROCK

REGENCY ACRES P.S./Broadway North PRODUCTIONS proudly present Camp Rock

"We Rock ... We Rock Camp Rock."

Come out and see the talented students of Regency Acres Public School as they perform in the popular show, "Camp Rock - The Musical". The casts have been hard at work since September, rehearsing for this production to bring these wonderful characters to life. Follow the story of Mitchie Torres and her friends as she and the Gray brothers work with their uncle, Brown Cesario, to save their camp. With well-known songs from the movies like, "Fire", "Tear It Down" and "This Is Me", audiences will be entertained as these fantastic kids take the stage to show us all how to rock!

The evening shows starts at 7:00 p.m. sharp.

Tickets are only \$20.00 (adults), \$10.00 (students) and are available through the Newmarket Theatre Box office (online) at newmarkettheatre.ca or by calling 905-953-5122.



French as a second language



In order to streamline the registration process, parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2017, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can visit or call the school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take

this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to Devins Drive to register between January 20 and February 10, 2017. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.



Report Cards

First Term Report Cards will be sent home on February 17th. There are no scheduled interviews at this time as they were held recently following the Progress Reports in late November. However, parents or teachers may request an interview.



FAN VILLAGE



Our trip to The World Cup of Hockey Fan Village in September was to give our students a real world application of the STEM skills (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) needed in today's society.

Regency just received [this video](#) of Jordan D and Ms. Moffitt from the Fan Village.

FAMILY SKI NIGHTS

Wanted... volunteers to help Regency's Ski Nights in 2018!!!

If anyone is interested, please contact the office. It only requires a parent who will be present at each ski night (3) in order to pick up the lift tickets and distribute them. It's a wonderful school activity and very much enjoyed by students and parents alike.

SKATING RINK

Please note that the Skating Rink is OFF LIMITS at all times during the school day (unless there is a supervised PhysEd. Gym class) .

HOT LUNCH

We find ourselves almost half way through the school year and it also means the first session of this year's Hot Lunch Program is quickly coming to an end. Session One will officially end on Wednesday, February 15th and Session Two will begin promptly the following week on Wednesday, February 22th. Order forms were sent home to all students early in the week of January 9th and the deadline to return your completed order forms and payment was Thursday, January 27, 2017. Thank you for your continued support of this volunteer-led school fundraising program and the Hot Lunch 'Crew' looks forward to continuing to give our Regency Parents a well-deserved break from lunch-making responsibilities.

FROM THE LIBRARY

💕 Love 💕 a good book? We will have our second SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR the week of Valentine's Day! The book fair will be open from 8 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. each day. Classes will have a scheduled time to come view the book fair and purchase books and other items!

Thank you to those families who supported our Library fundraising initiatives through Chapters/Indigo. With your support, we raised about \$700.

A number of books have already been purchased to support student and staff requests. More will be purchased in the coming weeks!



OUR STUDENTS AT WORK AND PLAY AT REGENCY

