



June 2015

### *Principal's Message*

I have officially completed my first year as principal at Richmond Hill High School and I am extremely proud of all the RHHS students. Students are respectful, hardworking and committed to making a positive contribution both inside and outside their school community. It has been an exciting first year at Richmond Hill High School with many student successes in academics, arts, sports, clubs and social justice activities. Our over 70 sports teams and clubs, drama nights or music nights have given us great pleasure and some teams or clubs have received awards or accolades-whether it be SLAM poetry, DECA, Debate Team, Mock Trial, YRAA or OFSSA sport winners, Music Festivals, math, computer or science contest winners...the list goes on.

Parents are reminded that the mental health of students is a very important part of being academically successful. Students often feel pressure to meet parental expectations of attaining good grades or taking courses that are not suited to their needs. In order to support our students' mental health, RHHS offered an evening presentation including Youth Speak and Michelle Cassidy(YRDSB) who gave strategies on how to support your child's mental health. Your role in supporting your child's mental health include i) Celebrating all aspects of your child—character, personality, school, work etc. ii) Delivering messages of self compassion iii) Getting help if you feel their/your stress level is impacting you in ways you cannot manage.

I am excited to say that Richmond Hill High School has again been named a certified gold eco school, which is not an easy feat and an achievement worth celebrating. Congratulations are offered to every member of the school community for participating in this important endeavour. We couldn't have done it without you!

In closing, I would like to extend a thank you to all the staff of Richmond Hill High School for giving of their time both in and out of the classroom in making Richmond Hill High School a wonderful place to be. Best wishes to the teachers- Mr. Ridout, Mr. Girdler, Mr. Wang, Mr. McCleary and Ms. Sartor who are retiring from Richmond Hill High School and have given countless hours of their time and expertise in helping students to be successful over the years. Finally, thank you to Ms. Sandy Sokol and the members of the School Council who have provided valuable suggestions regarding the direction of the school.

On behalf of Mr. Ruytenbeek, Ms. Daniel, we wish you a safe and enjoyable summer.

Sandra Haliburton  
Principal RHHS



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### Letters of Attendance/ Enrolment

Students/parents  
requiring letters of  
attendance/enrolment need to give  
the office 48 hours notice.

Thank you for your  
co-operation.



### @YRDSB Now Up and Tweeting!

Parents and students who are interested in learning more about what is going on in York Region public schools are invited to follow the York Region District School Board's newly established Twitter account.

Visit [www.twitter.com/yrdsb](http://www.twitter.com/yrdsb) to follow the York Region District School Board.

### Bullying Prevention Measures

The York Region District School Board (YRDSB) has launched a new web reporting tool that allows students, parents and community members to report bullying incidents as well as positive behaviours and events related to our students and learning environments. The online tool, called **Report It!**, is a web button on the YRSB homepage ([www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca)) that links to an online form where users report bullying or positive behaviours that are consistent with Character Matters.

The development of this tool is the result of student feedback from an anti-bullying conference held last spring. It is meant for reporting **non-emergencies only** and deals solely with **student** issues. Follow-up will be determined by the severity of the incident and may involve sharing information with authorities. Users may submit reports anonymously (although anonymity cannot be absolutely guaranteed).

YRDSB is also asking students, parents, teachers and community members to "Take the Pledge" against bullying. To learn more, click on "The Pledge" image on the YRDSB website or go to [www.ctvbarrie.ca](http://www.ctvbarrie.ca).

## **BUSINESS**

### **News from the Business Department**

It has been a rewarding and exciting semester for the Business department and our talented business students. Here are a few of the highlights from our curricular and extra-curricular achievements:

#### **Contests and Competitions:**

**DECA, DECA, DECA** – RHHS took 22 qualifying students to Orlando, Florida this April to compete in the ICDC International competitions which included 15 000 competitors from 6 different countries. Our students proudly returned with 6 Top Ten medals, 9 Top 20 Finalists and 2, 1<sup>st</sup> place honours. Special recognition goes to Bei Chen Lin and Elliot Choi who both placed 1<sup>st</sup> in their respective categories.

**Accounting** - On May 13<sup>th</sup> 2015, 20 RHHS students took part in writing the **OBEA Accounting Contest** with 400 of the brightest accounting minds in the province. Brad Akbarpour finished first in the Grade 11 contest and Kenneth Loong finished first in Grade 12. This is the unprecedented second year we have won both contests. Also finishing in the top ten are Logan Grier, Dennis Fan, Thomas Chan, Steven Lin, Robert Kong and Anikka Chan. These are incredible results and our students and Accounting teachers are congratulated on their outstanding results.

Congratulations to Logan Grier who finished first in the **CPA COIN Accounting** contest winning \$3,000. Thomas Chan won the **YCPA Essay contest** winning \$500 for his submission.

Congratulations to this year's **RHHS Mock Trial School Team** who qualified in Regionals to place 5<sup>th</sup> on May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Central Ontario **OBA Mock Trial Competition**, after 6 months of late meetings and countless hours of preparation. Special recognition goes to Jaaron Pullenayegem, who was honoured with the **Top Advocacy Award** as the best attorney of the final competition. As part of Jaaron's award, he will be spending a day shadowing an attorney in the area of law of his choice. Thank you to **Mr. Roy Respicio** who acted as our Community Law Mentor and dedicated many hours to facilitate our team this year.

#### **Highlights from our Business and Law Courses**

This semester **the Introduction to Business** classes had the opportunity to visit the facilities of Cadbury, located on Gladstone Avenue in Toronto. The students were exposed to various areas of business, including production, marketing, sales and HR. In addition, Faridha Smith of The Royal Bank of Canada, presented on the importance of personal financial planning. Finally, in a well-attended carousel style display, our students enjoyed the challenge of conducting "taste test" primary market research with our RHHS students.

The **Sports and Entertainment Marketing** class had the opportunity to explore effective stadium designs by visiting the Rogers Centre on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The class had a walking tour of the stadium - a look behind the scenes in order to analyze the various aspects of stadiums that enhance fan connectivity –before watching the Toronto Blue Jays play the Los Angeles Angels.

This semester's **Canadian** and **International Law** classes had the opportunity to observe law in action at the Newmarket Courthouse before performing in their own in class Mock Trial competitions this May. The classes also had the privilege to hear from several engaging guest speakers. Thank you to our attorneys, Mr. Barry Plant, and Mr. James Singer, Paralegal Mr. Bruce Shafiei, and our Community Liaison Officer P.C. VandenBot, for sharing their time and experiences with our students.

Thank you to our two guest speakers who visited our **International Business** class; Steve Rosen from Star Results spoke to the class about business consulting and Alan Neal from Info-Tech Research Group spoke about IT consulting.

It was an interactive, experiential time again in **Marketing**. This year, the Grade 11 class participated in the bi- annual Egg Drop Packaging competition, a CD Launch, International feast, and our successful school-wide Bake Sale.



## COMPUTER STUDIES

### In the Classroom

This has been a busy semester for students enrolled in Computer Studies. Grade 10 students learned how to program in Turing and ended the semester by writing their own computer games. In the Grade 11 course, students refined their programming skills using Java. For their final projects, they also produced some impressive computer games. Continuing with Java, the Grade 12 students wrote more advanced games that included AI computer players or computer puzzle solvers.

On May 7, 11 students from RHHS wrote the Computer Science AP Exam. The AP exam offers an extra challenge to student as well as giving them an opportunity to receive an advanced placement credit at University. We look forward to receiving their results in July.

After 15 years at Richmond Hill High School, Mr. Ridout will be retiring at the end of June. Mr. Ridout would like to thank all of his current and former students for making his 30 year teaching career an extremely enjoyable and rewarding experience. Teaching you has been both an honour and a privilege.

### Computer Programming Contests

Students enrolled in Computer Science classes and members of the Computer Science club have several opportunities to compete in programming contests throughout the school year. Some of the highlights of the year include:

In November, over 4500 students from across Canada participated in the University of Waterloo's Beaver Computing Challenge for Grade 9 and 10 students. Congratulations to RHHS student **Paul Shen** who tied for first place with a perfect score. Congratulations also to **Bimesh De Silva, Gordon Guan, Elizabeth Ip, Bill Li, Vince Ou, Matthew Zeng, Robbie Zhuang, Zachary Leyderman** and **Andi Li** who, along with Paul, made it onto the Canadian Honour Roll.

In February, over 3500 students from across Canada competed in the University of Waterloo's Canadian Computing Competition. In the Junior Division, **Vince Ou** was the top student at RHHS. Vincent also made it onto the Canadian Honour Roll. In the Senior Division, **Sina Abbasi, Jonathan Corbett** and **Derrick Thai** tied for the school's top spot and just missed advancing to the Canadian Computing Olympiad by a few points. Congratulations also to **Callum Moseley, Jessica Jiang, Peter Zhu, Nikita Kapustin, James Bai, Veronica Huang, Siddharth Vaknalli** and **Victor Hyde** who also made it onto the Canadian Honour Roll. 11 of the top 100 Senior contestants were RHHS students, making this one of our best years ever. Well done to everyone who participated in this contest.

## Drama

In grade 11 Drama the students have been immersed, of late, in the dramatic literature of the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Ms. MacKay was impressed by the performances of her talented grade 11 drama students. The students brought to life moving portraits of Hedda Gabler, Miss Julie and Nora from *A Doll's House*, to name a few. This unit followed the students' work on an original and important play about mental health, which they toured to several feeder schools. The act of researching, writing the dialogue and shaping it for the stage was a challenging and meaningful pursuit. Congratulations!

The grade ten classes have been busy this semester with scene studies, mask and mime work. They finished the course by writing their own plays, in the genre of their choice, inspired by found objects. The results were varied, dynamic and entertaining. Everything from gritty drama to farcical comedy came out of this exercise and the results were a wonderful reminder of how creative and expressive our drama students are.

The grade nine students also found the limelight this Spring. Units on voice, movement, improvisation, approaching text and play writing were tackled. Students finished the semester by working in groups to create original scripts which revolved around a major decision that an adolescent must make. The resulting plays looked at the repercussions of such choices. The plays were a triumph. Students worked hard to create authentic voices and dialogue for these original characters. Writing by committee has its challenges, but the groups had great success working together to tell compelling stories.

Ms. MacKay and Ms. Williamson would like to thank their drama students for the wonderful risks they took in their drama work this semester. Have a great summer!

### English Department Update Summer 2015

As another eventful school year comes to its close, it is time to reflect on all of the wonderful opportunities we have had to celebrate student success. First, we would like to congratulate Catherine Zheng for placing first in the Marion Drysdale Short Fiction competition with her piece on character transformation entitled "The Moth". Continuing this tradition of excellence we would like to recognize Chris Kingdon, Jessica Shapiro, and Linda Wang for placing first, second, and fourth out of ten thousand students across Canada, in the prestigious Turning Points Essay Competition. We also had our largest attendance ever for two internationally recognized Advanced Placement English exams, with over one hundred students representing RHHS. The results will be published in the fall.

Next we would like to acknowledge some of our school's most talented writers who showcased their skills in this past semester's Writer's Craft course. Students studied a range of genres, from fiction to non-fiction, as well as poetry and scriptwriting. In addition, every student wrote a collection of original poems that they assembled into a portfolio and each submitted one of their poems to at least one writing contest.

Students were engaged in numerous literacy initiatives this year including a visit from Sir Kenneth Branagh's world renowned "Shakespeareance" interactive workshop. Our students had an opportunity to gain a new appreciation for Hamlet and to discuss the craft of professional acting in Canada with two very famous actors from the Stratford Festival, Zach Smadu and Marvin Karon. Some of our other Literacy initiatives for the year included the Turning Points Essay Contest, the Richmond Hill Public Library Short Story Contest, the Marion Drysdale Creative Writing Contest for Poetry and Short Fiction, the Canadian Poet's League Poetry Parade and the Hot Docs Festival.

We have also been fortunate to have access to Canadian author, poet, and spoken word artist Dwayne Morgan, who held an interactive slam poetry workshop for students at Richmond Hill High School in January. Mr. Morgan, the 2012 Canadian Festival of Spoken Word Slam Poetry Champion, delighted students with performances of several of his works. Afterwards, Mr. Morgan shared his valuable insight with students on how to write and perform pieces for slam poetry competitions. The YRDSB Slam Poetry Finals were held on Tuesday, April 22, 2015 at Richmond Green High School and our team of Chris Kingdon, Katy Brown, Sarah Berman, Alina Sewani, Zaynab Dhalla, and Jathusha Mahenthirarajan finished second in the overall competition. Students who are interested in joining the RHHS Slam Poetry Team may drop by the RHHS Slam Poetry Club on any Tuesday after school in Room 1060 to sign up, or see Mr. Cimetta in the English Department office for more details.

The English department sponsored several field trips this year as extensions to our academic English program. Mr. McCleary planned an insightful trip to the ROM for students to study the history and culture of Elizabethan England. Mr. Cheng took several classes to animation workshops at the National Film Board of Canada and Mr. Pomakov's classes traveled to the TIFF Centre for a day of film production workshops. We also took two trips to the Stratford Festival to see The Taming of the Shrew on May 14 and Pericles on May 21. This provided students with an opportunity to view an authentic production of an Elizabethan play in an environment replicating London's Globe Theatre. Both plays were superb and we highly recommend them as possible summer excursions.

Finally, the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test was held on March 26, 2015. School and Board results will be published at the end of August. Congratulations to all of our amazing teachers, students and parents for making literacy a priority in every subject area. If you have any questions regarding the Literacy Test or the English program at RHHS please feel free to contact the English department at any time and have a great summer!



## **FAMILY STUDIES**

The Family Studies Department offers a wide variety of authentic learning opportunities with the focus always on the development of critical thinking and real life skills. Here are some of the highlights of our second semester classes:

### **Grade 9 Exploring Family Studies (HIF101):**

Students had many opportunities to learn practical life skills that will serve them well in the future. First off, we honed our sewing skills to make button bookmarks and at the same time learn basic mending skills that will serve the students well later on in life. Secondly, we had an opportunity to have two cooking labs where students learned basic kitchen skills as well as safety skills. Students baked sinfully delicious mini Oreo cheesecakes that were devoured within seconds! In another food lab, students were able to make gourmet pizzas that would rival any pizzeria in the city! Thirdly, with the scenario of having a minimum wage job, students were asked to look for an apartment in downtown Toronto, furnish and design it and be able to financially budget how they would live on their own for their Independent Study Unit. Students became very astute in understanding key financial terms like credit score, gross and net income, variable expenses and fixed expenses and understand how to incorporate entries into a budget. To top it off, our students went on a field trip to Yorkdale Mall to try to feasibly understand the real costs involved with living on one's own in the future. Way to go Grade 9 students!

**Grade 10: Food and Nutrition (HFN201):** This semester the grade 10 Food and Nutrition classes explored the many factors that affect attitudes and decisions about food. Students studied the science of nutrition and food marketing, along with that they learned how to make healthy and nutritious food choices. Students investigated the different factors that influence their decisions about food, such as, current trends, cultural and religious beliefs, attitudes, traditional eating patterns, and individual needs. Throughout the semester, the grade 10's challenged their taste buds and expanded their culinary techniques. The students closed the year in an amazing cupcake wars competition, although presented with a secret ingredient, which they had to incorporate into their recipe, everyone was a winner, and each student performed like a true culinary master! Well-done grade 10's!

**Grade 11: Working with Infants and Young Children (HPW3C1):** Well it has been an exciting semester with the grade 11 Working with Infants and Young Children students. Our semester got off to an interesting start with our food and children assignment (check out the photo an olive and cream cheese penguin). Kids will eat healthy food if you make it exciting and fun. We continued the fun by buddying up with our friends from Ms. Montgomery's room 1042 and reading with our buddies for the month of May. Everyone went outside to weed the community garden but we weren't all big fans of the worms or spiders. The highlight of our semester was our cupcake wars in June; students had a wonderful time designing and making their cupcakes with their buddies. Thank-you to one of our graduates Spencer Solomon for coming out to talk to our class about his experience working with children and going to college to get a diploma in early childhood education. Congratulations grade 11s!

**Grade 11: World Religions (HRF301):** Students had an opportunity to study some of the major religions of the world like Native Spirituality, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Through the lens of examining belief traditions for each religion, students were able to examine various sacred texts, principles, rites, and passages and ultimately have a better understanding of the universal human quest for meaning. And to end off the semester, we had a cooking day where students prepared and sampled dishes representing different belief traditions.

**Grade 12: Nutrition and Health (HFA4U1):** The grade 12 Nutrition and Health students really took catering the heads' meetings to a whole new level; we had everything from a taste of Asia to a full BBQ picnic. Students supported the Green House Project by preparing the food for Free Food Friday's during the month of May. We served up four hundred Greek salads, smoothies and bruschetta. Go team! Thanks to Mr. Fried for being an informative guest speaker on the low-carb lifestyle. The highlight of the semester had to be the fantastic TED Talks related to Nutrition and Health that students performed as their course culminating. We had inspiring talks on mental health and nutrition, happiness, weight loss, exercise, cancer, GMOs and world health. Thanks to this great group of students for all of your help making food for others this semester!

**Grade 12: Human Development Throughout the Lifespan (HHG4M1):** The scope of this course entails looking at the entire human lifespan from the moment we are conceived until the end of our lives and everything in between. We try to emphasize the flourishing potential of the human species recognizing important windows of opportunity and the diversity of human experience. Ms. Zollo volunteered in our class on Mondays and Wednesdays for the month of May, and the students really enjoyed having an opportunity to interact with a recent university graduate. The highlight of the semester definitely came during the final culminating task when students embraced growth mindset by delivering their ideas about optimal development using their weakest modality. Students who didn't sing or play a musical instrument did so while none artists created masterpieces and none movers roller bladed. Wishing the Grade 12 students all the best in their future endeavours!

## **GUIDANCE**

We wish all of our students a happy and healthy summer holiday. The Guidance Department congratulates our graduating students for all their accomplishments and wishes them all the best with their post-secondary endeavours. To our returning students, we encourage you to take advantage of opportunities for personal and academic enrichment over the summer, such as taking a course in summer school, engaging in summer employment or volunteering to complete their required forty hours of community involvement. Students interested in applying for USA colleges or universities should remember to make a guidance appointment to see Mr. Mark in Guidance between September 16 to October 1, 2015.

Below are important post-secondary planning activities taking place this coming Fall. The fairs listed below enable parents/guardians and students to speak with University/College representatives and to gather valuable information on programs, admissions requirements, tuition, scholarships and more. We encourage both students and parents/guardians to participate in these free events.

### **Ontario University Fair**

**Friday September 25 – Sunday September 27, 2015, 10:00am – 5:00pm each day**

Metro Toronto Convention Centre – 222 Bremner Blvd.

For more information, visit <http://www.ouf.ca/>

### **Ontario College Information Fair**

**Monday October 19, 2015      5:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

**Tuesday October 20, 2015    10:00 am – 3:00 pm**

Direct Energy Centre – Exhibition Place- Hall B

For more information, visit <http://www.ocif.ca/>

### **Study and Go Abroad Fair**

**October 4, 2015**

Metro Toronto Convention Centre

Constitution Hall, Room 105-106

North Building

255 Front Street West

Fair: 1pm- 5pm

Free Seminar: 12 noon-5pm

For more information visit:

<http://www.studyandgoabroad.com/toronto.html>

### **Richmond Hill High School Post-Secondary Pathways Fair**

Richmond Hill High School

Wednesday November 18, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Many publicly funded Ontario Colleges and Universities will be in attendance.

Contact the RHHS Guidance Department for any questions.

## LIBRARY

The RHHS Library continues to be a very busy, vibrant location for collaboration, research, homework completion, and quiet group work. It has been the site for exams, contests, and special presentations, such as the Science Awards depicted in the picture below. Numerous classes come to the library to use its books and desktop and laptop computers.

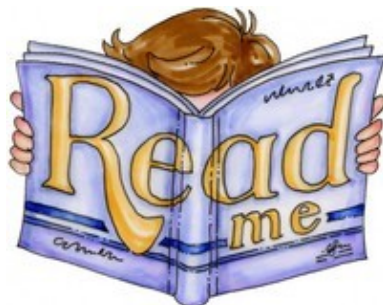
Ms. Perlman-Callan's Grade nine art classes provided thematically-inspired posters for the library, based on literary genres such as horror, mystery, and romance, as well as non-fiction themes such as fashion and science.

The winner of the RHHS Library's book contest this year is Sarah Yong. Thanks to all participants!



Students who owe any school library resources (including books which were not returned to elementary YRDSB schools) are encouraged to bring them to the library or, in the summer, to the main office.

Happy reading!





## **MUSIC**

It was a busy Spring for the music students of the school. Check out these events!

### **Ontario Band Association Music Festival**

During the week of February 9th the Gold Band, Silver Band under the direction of Mr. Henry, and the Concert Band under the direction of Ms. Christopoulos participated in the prestigious Ontario Band Association Music Festival. The Gold Band received the top rating with a GOLD award and the Silver and Concert Band achieved the SILVER award. Congratulations to all of the musicians for their outstanding work. All three bands have been invited to participate in the National Musicfest in Ottawa, May 2016.

### **David Rubel Jazz Band**

In early March, the David Rubel Jazz Quartet with guest vibraphonist Nathan Steele, from England, showed us their tremendous skills in the genre of jazz. David is a former RHHS student who has completed his degrees in jazz performance first at Humber College and then at the University of Toronto. The band of great young musicians gave an inspiring performance.

### **Gold Fever Jazz Ensemble**

In mid-February, the Gold Fever Jazz Ensemble participated in this festival at York University where they were awarded a SILVER rating. In April the same band performed in the Music Alive Festival and received a GOLD rating and an invitation to participate in the National Musicfest in Ottawa in 2016. The first time Gold Fever has ever been given this honour.

### **Sounds of Spring**

On May 13<sup>th</sup>, the Music department did it's year end concert at the Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts. All of the ensembles rose to the occasion of playing in such a splendid hall. With hosts Kiren McNeice, Tyler Yan, Aliyaa Mohammed and Cynthia Sriskandarajah, the evening proved to be a great mix fine musical moments. A particular highlight was the solo Euphonium feature of the Carnival Of Venice played by Geoffrey Siow.

### **Music Awards Banquet**

In May we honoured the many contributions and successes of the musicians in our program. Award highlights include:

Grade 9 band musician:	Kaitlin McDonald
Grade 10 band musician:	Vincent Trinh
Grade 11 band musician:	Leah McDonald
Grade 12 band musician:	Josephine Tseng
Junior Vocal musician:	Anjana Rajendran
Senior Vocal musician:	Ania Wu

Greatest Contribution to the Music Department: Elton Huang  
Musician of the Year: Geoffrey Siow

### **Band Trip Spring 2015**

The Music Department had an outstanding 5 day trip to Chicago in April. The students had the opportunity to hear the Chicago Symphony, to see the Million Dollar Quartet and to hear some great musicians at Andy's Jazz Club. They also toured the Chicago Institute of Art, the Museum of Science and Industry, the Alder Planetarium, the Shedd Aquarium and the Navy Pier. The musicians played in two concerts in schools and had lots to eat at the Hard Rock Café, the Rainforest Café and Connie's Deep Dish Pizza. The trip for 2016 to the National Musicfest in Ottawa is in the planning stages and information will be distributed to students in the Fall as soon as it is available.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

On Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 students who participated on a school team were invited to culminate their athletic season(s) at the Athletic Banquet. Our school Athletic Council transformed the cafeteria into a formal setting where students celebrated with a dinner, slideshow, and awards ceremony.

This year's athletes were fortunate enough to have retiring Phys Ed Department Head and Coach, Mark Girdler as the keynote speaker. He enhanced the evening's festivities by sharing many life lessons that caused a few laughs and a few tears. After 29 years of dedication to the teaching and coaching profession, we wish Mr. Mark Girdler all the best in his retirement.

The following are the Most Valuable Player award winners that were recognized at the banquet

<u>Sport:</u>	<u>MVP:</u>
Junior Girls Volleyball	Katelyn Merker
Senior Boys Volleyball	Jaaron Pullenayegem
Junior Boys Volleyball	Marko Krsmanovic
Varsity Co-ed Volleyball	Yasher Mesgar
Varsity Co-ed Volleyball	Camile Garzon
Junior Girls Basketball	Juana Li
Senior Girls Basketball	Sara Krsmanovic
Senior Boys Basketball	Victor Nechita
Junior Boys Basketball	Marko Krsmanovic
Junior Boys Football	Ron Boshoe
Senior Boys Football	Steven Huynh
Varsity Girls Indoor Soccer	Nisha Sanwalka
Varsity Boys Indoor Soccer	Pouya Karami
Varsity Girls Outdoor Soccer	Tanin Shahrifar
Senior Boys Outdoor Soccer	Tilman Lindig
Junior Boys Outdoor Soccer	Kian Tayefeh-Sardari
Cricket	Jaaron Pullenayegem
Varsity Boys Golf	Nathan Allain
Varsity Girls Golf	Kristen Wong
<u>Sport:</u>	<u>MVP:</u>
Senior Tennis	David Sun
Junior Tennis	Chris Plant
Varsity Boys Baseball	Ben Brown
Varsity Swimming	Evans Lai
Nordic Skiing	Jonathan Corbett
Junior Badminton	Lisa Li
Junior Badminton	Christina Wang
Senior Badminton	Shirley Yang
Boys Lacrosse	Noah Jaeger
Girls Slo-Pitch	Kristen Tam
Ultimate Tier I	Jonathan Corbett
Ultimate Tier II	Richie Nguyen
Ultimate Tier II	Katie McLeod
Boys Mountain Biking	Connor Petroff
Girls Mountain Biking	Rachel Duan
Varsity Boys Rugby	Adnan Nazifi
Rock Climbing	Rachel Duan
Girls Flag Football	Anastassia Borisenko
Girls Cross Country	Catherine Chiao
Boys Cross Country	Jordan Malek
Table Tennis	Amanda Cai

## **PHYSICAL EDUCATION Cont'd**

The following are this year's Athletes of the Year:

### **Athletes of the Year**

Newcomer of the Year	Junior Athlete of the Year	Senior Athlete of the Year	Graduating Athlete of the Year
Female:  Eleanor Szkwyra	Female:  Katelyn Merker	Females:  Rachel Duan & Sara Krsmanovic	Female:  Kristen Tam
Male:  Wahid Hassani	Male:  Marko Krsmanovic	Male:  Richie Nguyen	Male:  Jaaron Pullenayegem

The following are this year's graduating athlete award recipients:

### **Contributions to Athletics**

Females	Males
Phyllis Yiu  Cherlyne Wong  Anastassia Borisenko	Victor Nechita  Stephen Li  Jonathan Corbett  Noah Jaeger  Adrien Chan Brennan Wong  Adnan Nazifi  Nathan Allain

Bronze R: Brennan Wong

400 Point Letter: Brennan Wong

Dean Logan Award: Jonathan Corbett

## **Trustee Greetings**

As the 2014-15 school year winds down, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize our parents and guardians for their ongoing support of our students throughout the year. We know that parents are our most important partners when it comes to educating your children. Good schools become better schools when they are connected with parents and families.

During the year, I hope you have had the opportunity to enjoy some of the many student performances, sporting events and cultural celebrations that take place in schools across our region. These events would not take place without the support of our school staff. I would like to thank the staff for their work to support student achievement and well-being.

Summer is a great time to relax and pursue hobbies or activities that complement the learning that took place over the school year. Whether you visit a museum, enjoy nature or just catch up on some summer reading, I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer.

Corrie McBain

## VISUAL ARTS

We would like to wish everyone a great summer and a friendly reminder to keep sketching, especially from real life!

Some highlights of the semester includes professional artist, Steve Schulman, who gave graphic novel workshops to some of our students. Everyone went home with a copy of their peer's work. The workshop was funded by the AIR project and the Ontario Arts Council.

We also had numerous artworks created by our Visual Arts Students chosen for the upcoming year's YRDSB Holidays and Observances calendar. Students will receive their own copy of the calendar to use as a portfolio piece.

A special thank you goes out to art students on the yearbook team responsible for contributing to a visually impressive book - from layout, photography and artwork. Congratulations to incoming yearbook editor Anita Zeng.

Below is Paniz Adiban, designer of this year's Art Achievement Award Logo. She receives a gift certificate from Curry's Art Supply Store and Bragging rights! Thanks for coming out!!





## VISUAL ARTS

Grade 9 'Sedna' inspired characters.....



Some ceramic hybrid animals

Finally, congrats to our grads --- may the forces be with you!