

## R.L. Graham P.S.

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### **MAY's Character Matters- INTEGRITY**

#### Welcome to Kindergarten

On Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00-7:00 p.m., we will be hosting an evening for our **new Junior Kindergarten students** and their parents/guardians. Our Kindergarten teachers will demonstrate a variety of activities that the children will be able to practice and then use at home with the **Welcome to Kindergarten bags** that will be distributed that evening.



#### Registration for Junior Kindergarten Continues

Kindergarten registration has started for the 2017-2018 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca). Children who turn four or five years old during 2017, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. Kindergarten information sessions for parents and for students are being planned for this spring. Information about these evening sessions will be available when you register.

For more information, please visit the YRDSB website, the R.L. Graham PS website or contact the school.

#### Save the Date – High School Musical



RL Graham will be presenting a performance of High School Musical on the evenings of Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be on sale. There will be a bake-sale and raffle for front row couch seating! Families are encouraged to come out and enjoy the show!

#### Dance-a-thon



Thanks to the generosity of our families and community we were able to raise **\$6,100.00** to use towards new technology and our Outdoor Playground/School Greening project!!!! Students thoroughly enjoyed themselves as they actively participated in this event. To our School Council and parents, a very special thank you for your time and energy to make this such an enjoyable and successful event.

## Junior Basketball



After many weeks of practices and exhibition games, both the Girls' and Boys' Junior Basketball teams competed at the end of April in the Area tournaments. The teams cheered on by staff and parents, played extremely well and demonstrated great perseverance and teamwork! We are all very proud of your hard work!

## Like a Girl Junior/Intermediate Girls Group and Junior/Intermediate Boys Group

Supported by funding from the Ministry of Ontario Speak Up Grant and school council, a group of students from grades 6-8 have been participating in the Like a Girl Junior/Intermediate Girls Group and Junior/Intermediate Boys Group. The focus is on student health and wellness and students will participate in a range of activities culminating in the Colour Me Rad 5 km run.



**EQAO Assessment – Grade 3 & 6**



**EQAO will be taking place this year from Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> until Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.**

Children in grades 3 and 6 will be participating in the Education Quality and Accountability Office's (EQAO) Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics.

In one-hour sessions, students will complete a variety of assessment activities designed to allow them to demonstrate their skills and knowledge relating to reading, writing and mathematics as described in The Ontario Curriculum Expectations.

It is important that all students are in attendance on these days. If you are booking medical/dental appointments for your child, please avoid these two weeks.

We are in need of scribes to support some of our students during the test. Scribes will provide one to one support for either a grade 3 or grade 6 student. We are looking for folks (parents, guardians, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.) who can help out for some or all of the following dates and times:

**Please note that the dates are not all consecutive and EQAO runs over a two week period.**

<b>Tuesday May 23</b>	<b>Wednesday May 24</b>	<b>Monday May 29</b>	<b>Tuesday May 30</b>	<b>Wednesday May 31</b>	<b>Thursday June 1</b>
<b>10:25-12:05</b>	<b>10:25-12:05</b>	<b>10:25-12:05</b>	<b>10:25-12:05</b>	<b>10:25-12:05</b>	<b>10:25-12:05</b>

If you are available to support EQAO, please contact office at (905) 476-9295 or email at [r.l.graham.ps@yrssdb.ca](mailto:r.l.graham.ps@yrssdb.ca)

## Eco Team News

### Earth Day at R.L. Graham P.S.

On Earth Day, April 21<sup>st</sup>, the whole school worked together to demonstrate our commitment to keeping our planet healthy and clean. Each classroom participated in a school yard/community clean up! Thank you to our ECO Team, students and staff for an amazing day of learning and hard work!

## The RL Graham Fun Fair is fast approaching! Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 3pm



### How can you help?

We need:

- **Volunteers** – We will need a large volume of volunteers on June 10<sup>th</sup>. We will offer a variety of shifts and will be happy with any time you can offer. Please contact Corinne D'Angelo to offer your support. Student volunteers are also welcome and will be eligible for community support hours for their participation.
- **Donations** – We continue to look for any possible donations in support of the event. Examples include cash, Canadian Tire Money, prize donations (small, like-new toys e.g. McDonald's toys are great), silent auction items. We will also be looking for bake sale donations. Please let a committee member know if you have something to offer. Thank you in advance for your participation and support.
- **Corporate Donations** – Our goal to build a new playground comes with a high price tag. We are looking for corporate and government donations and grants to supplement the costs. If you are aware of anyone who would be willing to support our cause, please contact Staci Bassie (stacibassie@yahoo.ca) with the contact details.
- **Class Basket Raffle** – Each participating class will be picking a basket theme and requesting small donations within the theme to create a basket to be raffled off at the fun fair. Please keep an eye out for details from your child's classroom teacher. Thank you!

*Visit our event page on Facebook by searching "The 2nd Annual RL Graham FUN FAIR"*

## YRDSB Survey for Parents/Guardians

The York Region District School Board is inviting all parents and guardians to complete a survey between May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017. This survey provides an important opportunity for parent/guardian voice. Results will be used to guide planning to support student achievement and well-being.

The English version of the survey is available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/yrdsb2017ParentSurvey>.

Paper surveys are available in English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Sri Lankan Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese. Please contact the school to request a paper copy.

We value your input and encourage you to complete the survey. The information you provide will be anonymous, considered confidential and kept in strict accordance with all relevant legislation. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

## Immunizations

In the 2017/18 school year, York Region Public Health will visit all elementary schools to provide school immunization clinics to Grade 7 students. The clinics offer vaccines for Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and Meningococcal A, C, Y, W-135 at no cost.

Under the Immunization of School Pupils Act, meningococcal vaccine is required for school attendance, unless an exemption is filed with public health. Hepatitis B and HPV vaccines are recommended, but not required for school attendance.

Parents of students entering Grade 7 in fall 2017 will receive consent forms in the mail in June. Please complete the consent form and return it to York Region Public Health to allow your child to participate in the immunization clinics. Detailed instructions can be found on the forms and accompanying letter. If the consent form is not completed, your child will not be able to receive vaccines at the clinic.

Parents and guardians who do not consent should still complete the forms and return them, indicating that you do not authorize York Region Public Health to immunize your child.

Visit [york.ca/immunizations](http://york.ca/immunizations) and click on School Immunization Clinics for more information.

Did you know? If your child has missed a required vaccination on Ontario's routine immunization schedule, he/she can receive the vaccine at one of York Region Public Health's Community Immunization Clinics. These evening clinics are offered throughout the summer, giving students the opportunity to catch up before returning to school. Visit [york.ca/immunizations](http://york.ca/immunizations) and select Community Immunization Clinics to learn more.





# Asian

## HERITAGE MONTH COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS

### Celebrate Asian Heritage Month & Canada's 150th

Join us in celebrating the amazing cultures, traditions, and food of Asia and Canada's 150th Birthday!



NEW

#### CELEBRATE STUDENT SUCCESS

Asian Student Awards of Excellence  
Award Presentation Ceremony



#### SAVOUR THE TASTES OF ASIA

#### DISCOVER ASIA'S DIVERSITY



#### EXPERIENCE ASIAN CULTURE

Cultural performances and  
artistic & musical showcases



**Saturday, May 13, 2017 | 2:00-5:00 PM**

Location: Richmond Green Secondary School, Cafeteria  
1 William F. Bell Pkwy, Richmond Hill, ON L4S 2T9

**EVERYONE IS  
WELCOME**

#### Event Chairs



Richmond Hill  
YRDSB Trustee  
**CAROL CHAN**



Richmond Hill  
Ward 3 Councillor  
**CASTRO LIU**



Richmond Hill  
Ward 6 Councillor  
**GODWIN CHAN**

#### Event Partners



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# MAY 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1 DAY 1</b> Young Women's conference  JUNGLE SPORT	<b>2 DAY 2</b>  ALL WEEK	<b>3 DAY 3</b>  SUB DAY 	<b>4 DAY 4</b>  Community Classes Swim 6:30 School Council	<b>5 DAY 5</b>  Yogurt and Popcorn sales	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8 DAY 1</b>  HEP B (7) HPV(8 females)	<b>9 DAY 2</b>	<b>10 DAY 3</b>  PIZZA DAY 	<b>11 DAY 4</b>  Community Classes Swim  Welcome to K Night	<b>12 DAY 5</b>  Grade 8 to Niagara Falls Yogurt and Popcorn sales	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>  <b>THIS WEEK:</b> <b>HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL</b>	<b>15 DAY 1</b>  Grade 7 to Georgian College Scientist to Mrs. Heath's class	<b>16 DAY 2</b> Scientist to Mrs. Kirby's class Lyme Disease Awareness Day   HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 6:30PM	<b>17 DAY 3</b> Regional Badminton SUB DAY   HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 6:30PM	<b>18 DAY 4</b>  Scientist to Mrs. Peters' class Community Classes Swim  <b>6pm Free Learning Disabilities workshop</b>	<b>19 DAY 5</b>  Yogurt and Popcorn sales	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> VICTORIA DAY NO SCHOOL	<b>23 DAY 1</b>  EQAO Begins →	<b>24 DAY 2</b> Special Needs Track and Field PIZZA DAY 	<b>25 DAY 3</b> Graham Track and Field day 1 Community Classes Swim	<b>26 DAY 4</b> Graham Track and Field day 2 Yogurt and Popcorn sales	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29 DAY 5</b> EQAO Continues  Smurfs: The Lost Village 6:30@ The Gem \$3 at the door	<b>30 DAY 1</b>	<b>31 DAY 2</b>  SUB DAY 	<b>JUNE 1 DAY 3</b>  Community Classes Swim	<b>2</b> PA DAY NO SCHOOL	