



REVIEW



May 21, 2021

Principal's Message:

Good afternoon Rouge Park Families,

We hope everyone is doing well and that you are enjoying this fabulous weather! As we continue to plan for the end of the school year, we are also looking ahead to next year. Currently we are organizing tentative class organizations and sorting out tentative staffing. In the near future, we will be putting together tentative class placements. Please be sure you send me an email should you have information you wish to share about your child by May 31st.

Please remember that we are all part of the Rouge Park family. If you need anything at all, please reach out to me and we will support you in any way possible.

Enjoy the long weekend!

Lindsey Maclean
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School Council Meeting

Our next virtual School Council meeting will be on Thursday, May 27th @ 6:30 pm. We will provide updates on recently purchased items, school logo creation, future spirit wear and more. We would love to gather more community voice for future plans so please plan to attend if you are able! All are welcome! You can join using the following link which I will re-share next Thursday:

<https://yrdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/99144808003?pwd=VldiK00xTHBGWXZOeHZvdVN2cmRjQT09>

Long Weekend Reminder

May 24 is a holiday. There will be no classes or asynchronous work for students on that day. Please take the time to relax and enjoy some down-time with your family.

Asian Heritage Month

Ms. Selvarajan's grade 8 class has been learning about and celebrating Asian and South Asian Heritage Month. Please enjoy a compilation of student work below:


Jagmeet Singh

- Is a politician in the new democratic party(NDP)
- He was born in Scarborough but raised in Newfoundland/St John's
- His parents immigrated from a state in India called Punjab to Canada
- He ran for prime minister back in 2019 and lost to Justin Trudeau
- Jagmeet Singh wants to change Canada for the better and he's made a couple of commissioning positions

Jagmeet Singh(NDP) website



- He is the first Sikh MPP/ Member of Provincial Parliament
- He is in the New Democratic Party
- Jagmeet Singh wants and thinks we should be doing more for countries struggling especially India going through their crisis

Jagmeet Singh conference about Covid in different places




Who is Lilly Singh?

- Lilly Singh is a Canadian comedian, talk show host, youtuber, and actress
- She became well known for being a youtube comedian under the name Superwoman
- She was born on September 25, 1988 in Scarborough, Ontario
- She has an Indian background and utilizes her ethnicity to joke around in her videos
- Her parents (Mahinder Kaur and Subhinder Singh) are from Hoshiarpur, Punjab, India, and she was raised as a Sikh
- She is an outspoken mental health and anti-bullying advocate
- Finally, she is a proud bisexual


SANDRA OH

Sandra "Miju" Oh - Canadian Actress

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Sandra Oh has drawn worldwide attention after starring as Dr. Cristina Yang in the popular television series "Grey's Anatomy"




"I grew up never seeing myself **on-screen** and it's really important to me to give people who look like me a chance to **see themselves.**"

- Sandra Oh




WHO IS NAV BHATIA?

Nav Bhatia, also known as the Toronto Raptors Superfan, is a Sikh-Canadian businessman. He has attended every Raptors home game since 1995. He has never been late to a game, or left a game early. He is also a well successful entrepreneur, and has owned the car dealership, Mississauga Hyundai. Recently, Nav Bhatia just became the first-ever fan to be inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame.


Nav Bhatia's ultimate goal is to unite people of all ages and backgrounds through basketball. With this, he created the Superfan Foundation. As someone who immigrated from India to Canada, Mr. Bhatia has faced a staggering amount of racism. From the foundation he had made, he's hoping to help prevent discrimination from occurring to others.

"We might look different, wear different, speak different languages, but deep inside we are all the same"



NAV BHATIA

This video is on Nav Bhatia's take on experiencing racism and fighting back with love instead of hate.



Raptors Superfan Nav Bhatia on changing "hate into love"

Ms. Lazarevski's grade 7 class has been working hard on some graffiti art. We certainly have some incredible artistic talent at RPPS:



YRDSB 2021 Summer Learning Programs Available

During the month of July, YRDSB continues to offer credit and non-credit summer school program opportunities for elementary, secondary and adult students. Traditional in-class face-to-face summer programs will move to a remote learning delivery model.

Registration is now open for the following programs:

Elementary Credit and Non-Credit Programs:

- Elementary Summer School (Grades 6 - 8 non credit reinforcement)
- Grade 8 Reach Ahead

Secondary Credit Programs:

- Online-Learning
- Remote Learning

Adult Learning Programs

- Adult Literacy and Basic Skills
- English as a Second Language
- Citizenship Classes

For more information about summer learning programs and registration please visit www.yrdsb.ca and follow us on Twitter @YRDSB.

Please scroll down for YRDSB information ...

ADDRESSING ANTI-EAST ASIAN RACISM THROUGH CONVERSATIONS & LEARNING

A THREE-PART Virtual Learning Series

Hosted by **NEKS** (Network of Educators for Korean Students) and **SEAS** (Supporting East Asian Students)
In collaboration with the **York Region District School Board**

Session 1: Exploring East Asian
Canadian Identities & Experiences

April 7th, 2021: [Recorded webinar](#) available

Keynote Speaker: Gen Ling Chang
Former Associate Director of TDSB
and Deputy Executive Director of ALPHA Education

Session 2: Disrupting Anti-East Asian
Racism in Education

Wednesday, May 26th, 2021 (4:30 - 6:00pm)

Keynote Speakers: Writers of
[Addressing Anti-Asian Racism: A Resource for Educators](#)

Session 3: Addressing Anti-East Asian
Racism – Reflections & Practical Strategies
in Schools

Tuesday, June, 15th, 2021 (4:30 - 6:00pm)

Facilitators: Members of NEKS & SEAS

[YRDSB Registration](#) | [Public Registration](#)

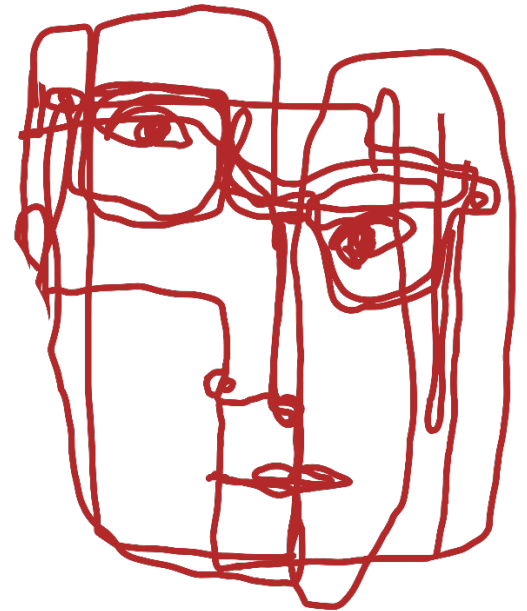
Deadline to register for Session 2 is May 24, 2021

For more information, please contact SEAS
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NEKS NEKstudents@gmail.com



NEKS

The Network of Educators for Korean-Canadian Students



Reflecting on Racism & Discrimination



a monthly lecture series

Session 4

Impact of Systemic
Racism

Thursday, May 27

7:00pm

Presented by
Donna Walwyn

Attorney at Law and
Chief Executive Officer at
The Fairway Group

 Register on Eventbrite

Session 5
June 22 @ 7:00 pm

The Educational and
Social Costs of Life in the
Suburbs for Black Youth

York Region District School Board Seeks Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee Members

May 18, 2021 - York Region District School Board is accepting applications for membership on the Board's Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC).

Parents/guardians interested in serving as a member of PEAC are asked to submit an electronic application by **June 15, 2021**.

PEAC supports, encourages and enhances parent engagement at the Board level in order to improve student achievement and well-being. It represents the collective voice of parents who have children attending public schools in York Region. Members are expected to attend a minimum of five meetings each year at the Education Centre in Aurora or virtually during the current pandemic. The first meeting date for the new membership is September 23, 2021.

Applications should be submitted using ONE of the methods below:

- submit the [ONLINE Application Form](#) or;
- email [Leadership Development and Engagement](#) or;
- call Leadership Development and Engagement at 905-727-0022 ext. 3650

Information Session

Interested applicants are invited to attend a virtual information session to [learn more](#) about this parent engagement opportunity.

Date and Time	Registration Information
Monday, May 31, 2021 7:30 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen only, telephone access: 647-497-9386; access code 148-686-198• Online virtual registration link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/856753069566720014

More information is available on the YRDSB [website](#).

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