



REVIEW



April 12, 2024

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

We have a number of special events coming up at Rouge Park. Next Thursday our primary students will enjoy an environmental literacy presentation by Professor Pricklethorn. In mid-May we will welcome The Sewing Studio which is a group of men and women who will come to Rouge Park to teach every student how to sew using a sewing machine. Please see the pamphlet below for more information. In May we will also be hosting a parent engagement evening alongside our School council which will involve a drumming workshop on our back tarmac. We will host our annual track and field day for junior and intermediate students in mid-May and celebrate the arts with a spring concert on June 12th. These are just a few of the exciting activities planned for spring. Keep your eye on our weekly calendar to stay up to date with the latest events.

As always, please reach out if you have any questions, comments or concerns. We are here to help.

Sincerely,

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
April 15	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr Boys' basketball @ 12:20 pm Jr. Girls' Basketball @ 2:45 pm Jr Boys' Basketball Game @ Black Walnut @ 3:00 pm
April 16	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast Club 7:30-7:50 am Jr boys' basketball @ 9:50 a.m. Kid's Kitchen for those who ordered Games Club @ 12:00 pm Ted Ed Club @ 12:15 pm

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary choir and primary recorder club @ 12:20 pm • Jr. Girls' basketball @ 12:20 pm • Saving Mother Earth Club @ 12:30 pm • School Council Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. in the staffroom
April 17	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior/Intermediate Badminton Team @ 7:00 am • Snack Shack @ morning recess (Tarmac recess schedule) • Beading Club @ 9:50 am • Lunch Lady for those who ordered • Junior/Intermediate Choir and Intermediate Band @ 12:15 pm • Blue Jays Care @ 2:45 pm • Jr. Boys Bball Tournament @ Franklin @ 3:00 pm • Jr. Girls' Basketball Tournament @ David Suzuki @ 3:30 pm
April 18	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Breakfast club 7:30-7:50 am • Jr boys' basketball @ 9:50 am • Pizza lunch for those who ordered • Waste Inspectors @ 12:00 pm • Jr girls' Bball @ 12:20 pm • Pop band (Gr 5-8) and strings club - alternating weeks @ 12:20 pm • Professor Pricklethorn Presentation (Primary) 1-3 pm
April 19	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Junior/Intermediate Badminton Team @ 7:00 am • J/I Robotics Team @ 12:20 pm • Jr. Girls' basketball @ 12:20 pm • BSA meeting @ 12:30 pm • MSA meeting @ 12:30 pm • Jr open volleyball @ 2:45 pm
<p>Upcoming:</p> <p>April 22-26 - Pause to Play</p> <p>May 6-10 - Discover Kindergarten Event for new kindergarten students</p> <p>May 8-10 - Grade 8 trip to Camp Pinecrest</p> <p>May 13-15 - Sewing Studio</p> <p>May 22 - Community Drumming Event</p> <p>May 24 - Public Health Immunization</p> <p>June 4-6 - EQAO for Grades 3 and 6</p> <p>June 12 - Temporary Date for Arts Night</p> <p>June 26 - Grade 8 Graduation</p>		

Planning for Next Year:

Planning for the 2024-2025 school year is underway. If you are moving, please let our office know as soon as possible. As well, if you or your neighbours have children born in 2020, please be sure to register for kindergarten so that we can ensure we have space for them. If you would like to provide input for class placements, please see the instructions below.

Class Placement for the 2024-2025 School Year

As we organize for next year, our staff will make every effort to place students in the best learning environment for each child to be successful. We take into account Ministry and Board guidelines, individual needs, academic achievement, emotional and social development, behaviours, gender balance, English Language Learners and Special Education needs, and work habits. We appreciate that parents/guardians have valuable information to share with us in this regard. If you have information or suggestions, which will assist us in making appropriate placements, please write a brief note to Lindsey Maclean by Friday, May 10th, 2024: lindsey.maclean@yrdsb.ca . Rather than suggesting a teacher, please indicate the learning style or classroom structure which you feel would be the most appropriate for your child's success. When teachers along with school administration get together to create new class lists, we will use this information to help make our final decisions.

Sewing Studio

We are excited that Roland Acheampong and Denise Wild's Sewing Studio program will be coming to inspire students at Rouge Park Public School between May 13-15. Students will have the chance to learn how to sew, while working on a small project. The Sewing Studio teachers will donate one sewing machine to our school Maker Space, for students to continue to use their sewing skills afterwards. The program costs \$20. Please go to School Cash Online to pay before May 3/24.

Walking and Wheeling to School

We strongly encourage all of our students who are not on the bus to walk or wheel to school. Walking or wheeling to school allows you to get exercise and fresh air before starting the school day. We even have bike racks for your use!



Important Reminders Re: Drop off and Pick up:

Please remember to drive slowly in and around the school area when dropping off and picking up your children. Our kiss'n ride is a slow zone and cars should be travelling in a single line without passing or overtaking others. We are reminding all kindergarten families to either use the kiss'n ride or park on the street and walk your child to their gate. The loop at the front of the school is for our school buses and vans only. Thank you for working with us to ensure a safe school environment and one in which we build independence in our students.

We are also reminding all families that the parking lot at the back side of the school is reserved for daycare only. Please do not pull into this parking lot to drop your child off.

Sikh Trails In Canadian Landscapes

Please join us to commemorate our Sikh Heritage Month Celebration with the Sikh Educators Voice Alliance and Sikh Student Association. Our focus is on Sikh Trails in Canadian Landscapes. At this event, the Sikh Educators Voice Alliance (SEVA) and Sikh Student Association (SSA) will provide time and space to highlight and promote Sikh histories, language and identity and to build unity through community. **All are welcome to come learn, celebrate, and grow with us.**

Exhibits:

- Keynote Speaker: Kulvir Singh Gill
- Artifacts
- Artwork / Spoken Word by YRDSB Students

- Gatka Performance
- Bhangra Performance
- Community Partners and Vendors

When: Saturday, April 27, 2024, 1- 4 p.m.

Where: Middlefield Collegiate Institute, 525 Highglen Ave, Markham, ON L3S 3L5

This event is an opportunity for parents, families and YRDSB staff members to network, share, and learn about ways to affirm and create positive spaces for students of Sikh identity.

Light refreshments will be served. Please fill out the [Registration Form](#) by April 22, 2024

Summer Institute 2024 Registration Opens on March 27, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

York Region District School Board's Summer Institute offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8. Please visit the [Summer Institute registration page](#) on or after March 27, 2024 for the online registration link.

EQAO Dates for Grade 3 and 6 Students

We have now set our Grade 3 and 6 EQAO dates for this year. Grade 3 and 6 students will write this standardized test on **June 4, 5, and 6th**. Please speak with your child's teacher if you have questions about EQAO or visit the EQAO website at www.eqao.com

Supports for Students with Autism and their Families On Wednesday, May 1st from 6:30-8:30 pm

This session will support parents, guardians and families with:

- Understanding Autism
- Process for diagnosis
- YRDSB referral process
- School supports
- Community resources

Location: **Unionville High School, 201 Town Centre Blvd, Markham, ON L3R 8G5** Please [register](#) by Apr. 28, 2024

Are You Moving?



If you are planning on moving or have moved, please be sure to contact the office so we have your updated information. If you are no longer in our area, you will need to register in the school closest to your home. If you have moved out of the area and hope to stay here, a transfer application must be completed.

Kiss n Ride Safety

Please remember that we are a walking school and whenever possible, we would love our students to walk. If you need to use the kiss n ride, please do so safely! We are asking parents to drive slowly and be patient, especially when entering and leaving the parking lot as many students cross at the entrance-way.

School Council:

Our next School Council meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 16th from 6:30-7:30 pm.

School Cash Online:

We have many new families who have joined our school. If you are new to YRDSB, please follow the instructions on the flyer below or found here: <https://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/> to set up an account on School Cash Online. We use this site for most things that involve payments (e.g. school clothing, pizza and pasta days, trips etc.). You will need your child's student number to register. This number can be found on the report card or you can contact your child's teacher or the office..

Breakfast Club:

We continue to offer a breakfast club every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 7:30-7:55 in the multi-purpose room. Ms. Ajani comes in early to prepare both hot and cold options for students to enjoy and consistently serves over 50 students a day. Thank you to Ms. Liu for helping to serve each day. **If you are able to help support this program, please send a donation with your child or contact us at the school.**

Kindergarten Registration Options for Families

Families can register using the following options:

- Online - Families can access the online Kindergarten registration information at www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten > Registration. It is recommended that families use a laptop or a desktop, rather than a mobile device to complete this registration.
- By email - Families can download the [Elementary School Registration Form](#) at www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten and email the completed form to their school email address.
- By phone - Families can request support to complete the registration form on their behalf by collecting the required information by phone. Families can request an interpreter, if needed.
- In-person at the school - Families may visit the school office to drop off or complete a registration form.

Registration Verification Process

Following submission of a registration package, the school will contact families to schedule an appointment for Document Verification.

Attachments for this week:

📄 [FSYR Spring 2024 Group Calendar.pdf](#)

📄 [Apr. 25 2024 Families Engagement Evening Understanding the Ontario Education Systems Part 2](#)

Denise Wild's Sewing Studio

A sewing program that focuses on mentorship, confidence, inclusion, and equity!

Denise Wild's Sewing Studio is coming to our school with a specialty program like you've never seen before – a dynamic, engaging sewing workshop that breaks the creative mold! The Sewing Studio's team of stereotype-busting mentors will guide each student through success, teaching everyone how to sew using a sewing machine. Boys and girls, that means you! Each child will gain confidence, develop their growth mindset, and complete their very own customized project from start to finish, all while being motivated and inspired.



PROGRAM DETAILS

- We come to your school with 15 to 30 sewing machines and our all-star team, and we set up a creative maker space in your library, gym, or available classroom.
- We teach every child (as young as 4 years old!) how to properly, safely, and successfully use a sewing machine.
- Highly skilled sewers and mentors coach kids, working on a 1-to-5 ratio, providing an incredible, hands-on experience.
- Confidence-building exercises give a 360° learning experience.

Our all-star sewing mentors are also:

- Fashion designers
- Entrepreneurs
- Athletes
- TV personalities
- Coaches
- Musicians
- Interior designers
- Personal trainers
- Medical professionals
- Motivational speakers



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Denise Wild is a magazine editor, author, and sewing expert who appears regularly on CP24, Cityline, The Morning Show, Your Morning, and Breakfast Television.



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Roland Acheampong is an All-Canadian athlete and an accomplished entrepreneur with a background in corporate sales, executive management, and business development.

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See program photos under the hashtag #sewingkidsXdenisewild on

YORK REGION PUBLIC HEALTH DENTAL SCREENING 2023-2024

Community and Health Services
Public Health Branch



Dear Parent or Guardian,

Dental health contributes to general health and well-being. This letter is to inform you that dental screening will be conducted at your child's school by a Registered Dental Hygienist.

All students in grades JK, SK, 2, and 7 will be screened as well as others as requested by parents/guardians.

Dental screening consists of a quick look in the mouth using a single-use mirror for each child. School screening does not take the place of a regular dental check-up. York Region Public Health follows Oral Health Protocol, 2021 of the Ontario Public Health Standards from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

How will I receive my child's screening results?

- Parents/Guardians will be notified of screening results using the email provided by your child's school
- If you would like to receive a paper copy of your child's screening results instead of an email, please call us at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74395
- Parents/Guardians of children with urgent dental findings will be contacted by phone and your child may be rescreened at their school on a later date to confirm that treatment has been initiated

If you would like your child screened every year, and they are not in one of the grades listed:

- Notify the Child and Youth Dental Program before the dental screening date by leaving a message at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74395
- Provide your child's first and last name (including the spelling), school, grade, date of birth and phone number
- Once we receive notice, your child will receive dental screening every year while attending this school

If you DO NOT want your child to participate in screening:

- Notify the Child and Youth Dental Program before the dental screening date by leaving a message at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74395
- Provide your child's first and last name (including the spelling), school, grade, date of birth and phone number
- Once we receive notice that you do not want dental screening, your child will not receive future dental screenings while attending this school

Healthy Smiles Ontario

If the cost of dental care would create financial hardship, you may be eligible for the [Healthy Smiles Ontario \(HSO\)](#) program. HSO provides no-cost emergency care and routine dental care such as checkups, x-rays, fillings, and preventive services such as cleaning, fluoride treatments, and pit and fissure sealants for eligible children.

Collection of Information

Please note that any information collected during your child's dental screening is done in agreement with the Health Protection and Promotion Act. Records of parent requests to exclude children from screening, as well as requests for yearly screening, will be maintained while the child remains in the stated school.

In addition, the collection, use, disclosure, and disposal of this information is subject to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Personal Health Information Protection Act. Any questions regarding this collection may be directed to the Privacy Officer, located at 17150 Yonge Street, 6th Floor, Newmarket, Ontario, L3Y 8V3, and 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74056.

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact the dental program at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74388. For more information about York Region Public Health dental programs and services you can also visit york.ca/dental

Sincerely,

Management and Staff of the York Region Public Health Child and Youth Dental Program

CHILD AND YOUTH DENTAL PROGRAM

The Regional Municipality of York, 17150 Yonge Street, Newmarket Ontario L3Y 8V3
1-877-464-9675 ext 74388 | TTY: 1-866-512-6228
childrens.dental@york.ca



HOW TO ACCESS ENCRYPTED EMAIL FROM PUBLIC HEALTH

Community and Health Services
Public Health Branch



Dear Parent/Guardian,

You will be receiving a **secure** (encrypted) email from York Region Public Health. It will include important information about your child's school dental screening results.

To open the encrypted email from childrens.dental@york.ca and/or dental.screening@york.ca, please follow the steps below.

Step 1 - Open the encrypted email and select **"Read the message"**

Step 2 - Select the preferred option:

Option 1: Sign in with a "Google Account" or

Option 2: Sign in with a one-time passcode

- Go back to your inbox and check for a new email with the subject **"Microsoft Office 365. Your one-time passcode to view the message"**
- Get your passcode and return to your open internet tab to enter the code
- Enter the passcode and select **Continue** to access the document

Tips

- Open an encrypted email from your desktop, not a mobile device and close multiple tabs open to the internet
- Use the one-time passcode method

Troubleshooting

- Click [here](#) for further help on "How Do I Open a Protected Message" or
- Watch this [short video](#) about opening an O365 Encrypted Email

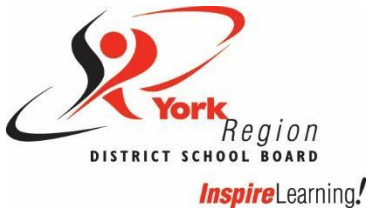
Questions/concerns?

If you have any questions or concerns opening the email please contact us at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74388.

Visit york.ca/dental anytime for oral health tips and information.

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Keep the Door Open: Understand Your Child's Inner World

敞開孩子的心房/敞開孩子的心房

This session in Mandarin and Cantonese will share tips on ways that lead your child to open their inner world and take care of their emotional wellbeing under the influence of both traditional Chinese culture and Western culture.

本次研討會將探討傳統華裔文化和西方文化的影響下如何有效地關愛和照顧孩子的心理健康。

這次的講座將探討傳統華裔文化和西方文化的影響下如何有效地關懷和照顧孩子的心理健康。

To register for a Mandarin session:

[点击这里报名普通话讲座](#) or scan QR code



To register for a Cantonese session:

[點擊這裡報名粵語講座](#) or scan the QR code



Parents, Guardians, Caregiver and Students

Join us to learn and share with your community how the families are supported!

Date: **Tuesday, April 23rd, 2024**

Time: **6:00pm-7:00pm (Mandarin 普通话)**

7:00pm-8:00pm (Cantonese 粵語)

Location: **Virtually**

Presenters:

Hannah Xu (MPH)

Hong Fook Mental Health Association
Youth Program Worker

Charmaine Tong (M.S.W., R.S.W.)

York Region District School Board
Community Care Social Worker (Chinese Heritage Community)

For more information, please contact:

Community Care Social Worker (Chinese Heritage)

Charmaine Tong

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YRDSB SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT

Being a spectator (*or presenter, player or performer*) at our school is a privilege. Events are extensions of our school day, so all School and Board policies and procedures apply. To be permitted to attend events, all students, staff, parents, caregivers and guests must follow the Spectator Code of Conduct and the directives of school administrators or designates.

BE COURTEOUS AND RESPECTFUL

School events are intended to build school culture, spirit and community.

Presenters, players and performers have worked hard for these events. Let's keep these events positive, fun and safe for everyone.

Show respect for players, staff, coaches, spectators and officials.

BE POSITIVE

Verbal taunts, negative chants or signage towards players, staff, coaches, spectators and officials are prohibited.

Positive cheers and signs are welcome!

Verbal altercations, abusive language (*including sexist, racist, homophobic and transphobic language*), and physical altercations are prohibited.

PRIVACY RULES APPLY

Photographs or videos are prohibited unless there is written permission from the student(s) and/or the staff who are being filmed.

Coaches or other representatives from private organizations may not solicit players at YRDSB events

(*unless, in certain circumstances, there is prior permission granted from a school administrator*).

RESPECT PLAYING SPACES

Only players, coaches, and officials are permitted in playing spaces.

Spectators must remain in the designated areas (*i.e. bleachers, stands*).

Items must not be thrown into the playing or performing space.

RESPECT CHANGING SPACES

Only coaches (when appropriate) and players are permitted in change rooms.

Change rooms are to be locked at all times.

RESPECT OUR OFFICIALS

Decisions made by officials are final and are to be respected.

Interference with gameplay, competition or a performance is prohibited.

RESPECT PROPERTY AND TIME

All participants are responsible for their own property.

Valuables must not be brought to or left unattended at school events.

Once the event is concluded, all participants are expected to leave the school property shortly thereafter.

BE RESPECTFUL AND SUPPORTIVE IN BOTH VICTORY AND DEFEAT

Regardless of the event outcome, all participants are expected to demonstrate appropriate behaviours.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE YRDSB SPECTATOR CODE OF CONDUCT MAY LEAD TO IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM THE EVENT AND ADDITIONAL CONSEQUENCES.

Spectators must not present a safety concern.
Concerns must be brought to the attention of the school administration.

YORK REGIONAL POLICE
Emergency Call 911
Non-Emergency
Call 1-866-876-5423

Sikh Heritage Month



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