



# THE CHAPMAN CHAMPION

## Sam Chapman Public School

September 2017

270 Alfred Paterson Drive  
Markham, ON L6E 2G1

905-472-8374  
Main-Attendance

## We're off to a great start!

Welcome back to another year of fabulous learning at Sam Chapman P.S. where student well being, mathematics and modern learning continue to be our focus. We'd like to thank our wonderful caretaking staff who worked very hard over the summer to get our school ready. A special welcome to our new students and our grade 3 families!

It is our goal at SCPS that the staff, students and parents work in collaboration in the best interests of everyone. Our Curriculum Night is tonight! We hope to see you there. As well, Sam Chapman has an active School Council and we encourage you to attend our first meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:45pm.

We take safety seriously here. As always, SCPS is a NUT SAFE facility and, to this end, we do not allow outside food to be brought in to be shared by students, for parties or other celebrations throughout the school year. Students are to only consume food that they have brought from home or purchased through our Kids Kitchen or pizza lunch programs. Students should defer to their homeroom teacher regarding the use of technology in the classroom as it relates to their own personal devices. Safety on our streets and in and around the school buses is also very important. We encourage all students that qualify for busing to use it but if you feel you must drive your child to school please use the Kiss & Ride to drop them off. The corner of Delray and Alfred Paterson is not a safe drop off location.

We have been overwhelmed by the warm welcome we have received and we look forward to getting to meet you over the course of the school year. Open communication is the key to success; our doors are always open.

Go Chapman Champions Go!  
Let's have a great year!

*Shawna Stanleigh, Principal*  
*Sean McCormack, Vice Principal*

### School Day Schedule

Period One  
8:05—9:05  
Period Two  
9:05—9:45  
Recess  
9:45—10:15  
Period Three  
10:15—11:15  
Period Four  
11:15—11:55  
Lunch  
11:55—12:55  
Period Five  
12:55—1:55  
Period Six  
1:55—2:35  
Dismissal  
2:35

Shawna Stanleigh  
Principal

Sean McCormack  
Vice Principal

Lori Canner  
EOAA

Kathleen Donnelly  
Secretary

Dan Wu  
Superintendent  
Alan Tam  
Trustee

Macklin House  
Daycare  
905-472-9800





## STUDENT SAFETY IS OUR #1 PRIORITY

### STUDENT DROP OFF & PICK UP:

We encourage all of our students to walk to school where possible or take the bus to and from school where eligible. We have approximately 11 buses that come into and go out of the school every day. It is critical that we follow the procedures outlined below to avoid putting students in danger.

### KISS and RIDE:

We ask those parents who drive their children— to drop them off and pick them up at the end of the day—on Alfred Paterson Drive ('Kiss and Ride') where we will have a teacher on duty from 7:50am - 8:05am who will direct the students to the safe area behind the school. We only allow children to exit the vehicles from the right-hand lane, beside the curb. Exiting on the driver side of the vehicle potentially puts them in harms way with passing traffic. The left lane is only used once your child has entered or exited the vehicle and you are ready to drive away. Please have students ready to exit the car on their own with their bags. When you enter the Kiss and Ride lane, please pull your vehicle up as far as possible to allow for other vehicles to enter. **There is absolutely NO PARKING in the Kiss and Ride lane.** If you need to walk your child into the school yard before school, please park on the street. **There is no parking or drop off on Delray Drive as it is not supervised and is unsafe.**

### STAFF PARKING LOT:

**Please do not park in the staff parking lot.** If you are driving your child to school late, you may drop them off near the front door, where they can enter on their own and come to office to sign in and get a late slip.

### BUS LOOP:

Please note the bus loop is for buses ONLY (no cars may enter)

### TEACHER SUPERVISION:

Teacher supervision is available **outside** in the morning from 7:50am—8:05am and after school from 2:35pm—2:50pm. **Please do not drop off your child prior to 7:50am** as there is no supervision. All students enter and exit the school through the back yard doors off the tarmac—not the front doors (unless late for school). If you are picking up your child after school, please be here by 2:35pm and meet them outside in the back yard. It is also important to be at your child's bus stop early. If an emergency happens, please inform us and we will have your child wait for you in the office. Please make sure that the office is notified of any last minute changes in your child's pick- up routine.

**If you require any information on busing, please visit the website at [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com)**

**Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our children safe!**

### ***Message from our Trustee***

As we begin the 2017-2018 school year, I want to take this opportunity to welcome all of our new and returning students and families. This is an exciting time of year and I hope you are starting this new school year as trustees are - with optimism and a commitment to working together to continue advancing student achievement and well-being.

An important part of that commitment is working together with staff members, families and communities to ensure our schools provide an environment that is safe, welcoming and inclusive. This takes on increasing importance given recent local and global events. We take pride in the diversity of our communities and will continue striving to uphold the values of equity and inclusivity in our system.

Trustees have had a busy summer, welcoming our [new Human Rights Commissioner](#) and beginning the [process for selecting a new Director of Education](#) as we continue to move forward implementing the [Minister's Directions](#).

An important part of the director selection process includes collecting input from students, staff, families and community members - input that will be used to shape the job description, interview questions and more. I encourage everyone to share their thoughts through the [survey](#) available in September. We will continue to keep you updated as this work progresses.

Our schools are stronger when we work in collaboration with families and communities. Partnerships with parents and families are essential to achieving the goals we have for our students, and I hope that you will find opportunities to get engaged with the school and your child's learning this year.

I wish you all the best for the upcoming school year.

Sincerely,  
Alan Tam—Markham Ward 4 & 5



## **EXTRA CLOTHES PLEASE!**

Please send your child to school with an EXTRA SET of season appropriate clothing (pants, tops, socks, shoes, etc) Some of our younger students may have the odd “accident” and as the season changes the weather can be wet and we often have students who slip or fall into mud or puddles and require a change of clothes.



## **Punctuality is Important!!!**

Punctuality is a life-skill that is valued by school, employers in the work-force, and society. The first bell rings at 8:02 a.m. Students are expected to be in class by the beginning of our opening exercises at 8:10am.

Students must enter using their grade designated doors at the back of the school when the first warning bell rings at 8:02am. Any student arriving after 8:05am is considered late and should come to the office to sign in and obtain a late slip.

Help your child start each school day ready to learn!

Several strategies will be used to help students who are repeatedly late to school. Parents will be contacted and we'll work together on a plan to support timely arrival.

**RESEARCH HAS SHOWN THAT REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



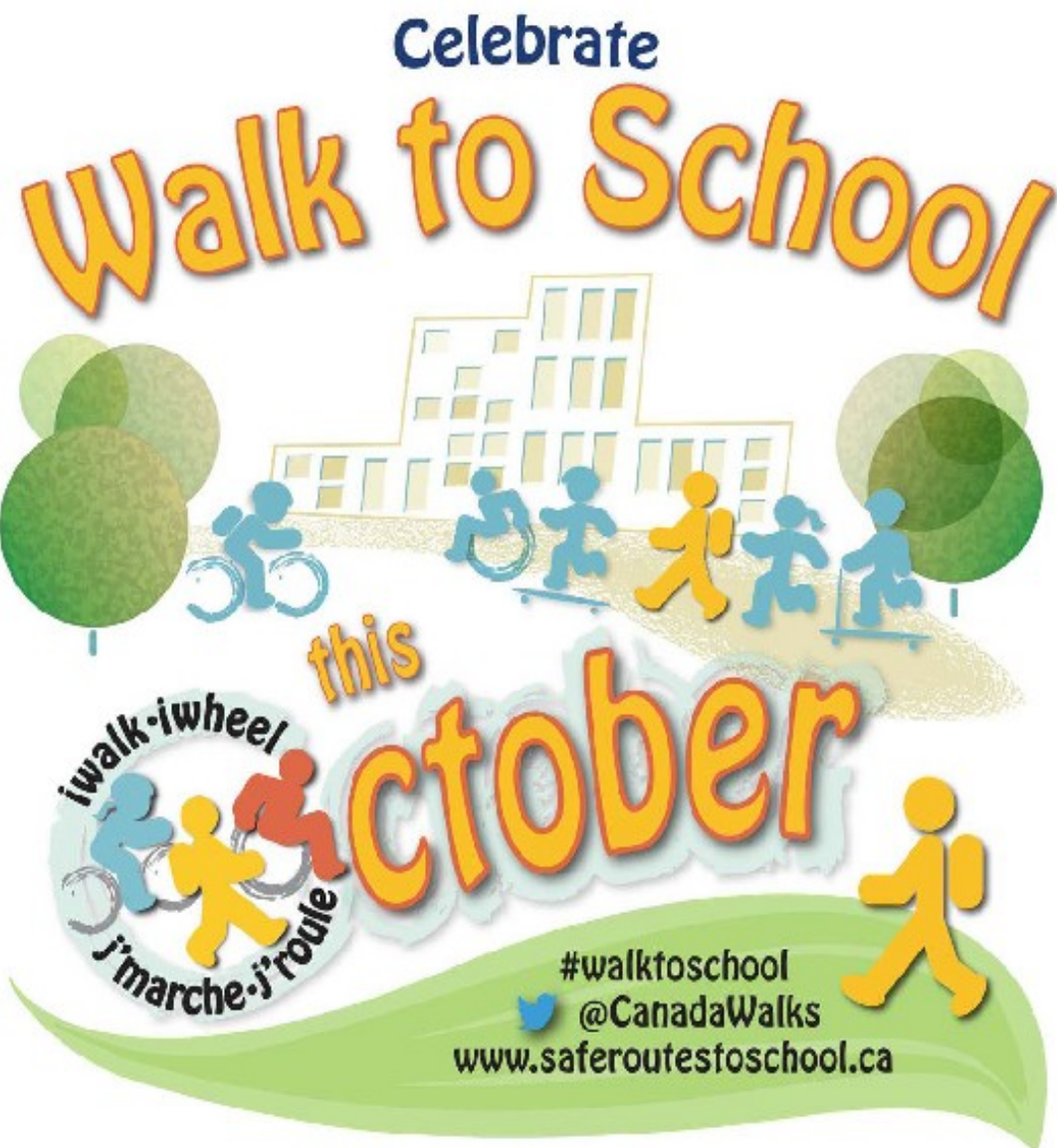


It's been a busy fall! Please follow our Twitter account @SamChapmanPS

to get up to date information, see what's happening at school and stay informed. Don't have Twitter? No problem! All of our Tweets are on the bottom-left hand side of our webpage:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/samchapman.ps/Pages/default.aspx>





**Walk to School Day**  
Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Keep our students active and safe!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 29 — Terry Fox Run

Oct 2 — School Council Meeting 6:45pm

Oct 3 — Tuesday pizza lunch begins

Oct 4 — Area Cross Country Meet

Oct 4 — Walk/Wheel to School Day

Oct 17 — School photos

Oct 17—Regional Cross Country Meet (for qualifiers)

**Check out our October and Thanksgiving Specials!**



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## October 2017

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### **Autumn is officially here.**

*A time to give thanks.*

We are excited to bring back our first annual seasonal lunch this month along with other favourites.

### **It is never too late to order.**

The Kid's Kitchen hot lunch program is fully flexible and convenient. Place orders at any time for as many days as you like that suits your lifestyle.

Please visit [www.kidskitchen.ca](http://www.kidskitchen.ca) to view our full menu.

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## Thanksgiving Special Lunch

Thanksgiving Special Lunch is available for October only.

**Tender slices of roasted turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots & a mini pumpkin spice cupcake.**

Our pumpkin spice cupcake is baked in-house by The Sweet Dish baker.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding and using numbers (math) | <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging with others ("soft skills" such as customer-service) |

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STAFF LIST 2017 - 2018 (Sept 28/17)

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