



SCHOMBERG PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWS FOR THE WEEK of MARCH 28, 2022

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IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE:

- Monday, March 28 – **PHOTO DAY** – Grade 6 Class of 2022 & retakes
- Thursday, March 31 – “INITIATIVE” **Good News Assembly** for students
- Friday, April 1 – **Big Box of Cards** Fundraiser Launch
- Wednesday, April 13 – **International Day of Pink Day**
- Friday, April 15 to Monday, April 18 – Easter Holiday (No School)
- Monday, May 23 – Victoria Day Holiday (No School)

EARTH HOUR 60

Saturday, March 26, 8:30 - 9:30pm

Earth Hour began in 2007 in Sydney, Australia and quickly grew to a global phenomenon. By 2009, Earth Hour grew to over 4,000 cities, including 73 national capitals and nine of the world's 10 most populated cities. In Canada, over half of the Canadian adult population (over 10 million people) switched off their lights!

The goal is to get as many individuals and businesses as possible to turn off their lights for one hour to raise awareness about climate change and demonstrate that people are ready to take personal action.

Everyone in Canada is encouraged to participate. Let's support the efforts of the World Wildlife Fund Canada. Participating in Earth Hour is a simple way to show that you want to be a part of the solution and sends a powerful message to others that, together, our small actions can make a big difference.

Here at Schomberg we observed Earth Day on Friday, March 25, by turning off some of our electrical devices and lights between 1:40 and 2:40 p.m. Earth Hour is a straightforward way for York Region's municipalities and citizens to take action and celebrate our existing efforts to fight climate change. Take this opportunity to spend time with family and friends celebrating Earth Hour. Find creative ways to spend an hour in the dark. For more information and ideas visit www.earthhourcanada.org. Make a difference!



Just a REMINDER...

MONDAY, March 28, 2022



ALL SCHOMBERG P.S. GRADE 6 STUDENTS

Will be having their Grade 6 portraits taken beginning at 9:15 am for the Class of 2022 Composite Photo. Please remember to wear a white or light coloured dress shirt with a collar (tie optional) or a blouse.

Any NEW students or Schomberg P.S. students needing re-take photos will also have the opportunity on Monday morning. Thanks!

LUNCH DELIVERY HAS RETURNED!

Schomberg Public School Council is pleased share that the optional lunch delivery program began this week.

Tuesday lunch offerings will alternate:

March 22, April 8 & 29

NEW ORLEANS Pizza & grilled cheese

March 29, April 12, & 26

MR. SUB submarine sandwiches

All Friday offerings will be from

LUNCHES MADE EASY

A selection of Pasta or chicken & fries.

If your family (or student) is new to Schomberg P.S. or YRDSB and you have not registered for a School Cash Online account, please click [here](#) for more information and/or to register.



PLANET OR PLASTIC??

A student-led GREEN initiative at Schomberg PS! Students at SPS have been working on an initiative to reduce single use plastics in our homes and community. They have created a presentation to help spread awareness among fellow students and their families! Students can watch their video presentation in google classroom, if you wish to see it ask your children to share it with the family, it is excellent. If your family and friends are interested in reducing plastic waste, please check out Tru Earth products via this link:

<https://fundraising.tru.earth/SPSschoolcouncil> **All purchases made VIA THIS LINK earn 20% for our school!!!** Please feel free to share this link!! All purchases are made online and products are delivered straight to your home.



Recycling: Batteries

We are collecting batteries to be recycled. You may collect them from places like, Businesses, Home and Neighbours. Please don't discard your used batteries. Instead, please give your used batteries to Schomberg P.S., and we will be taking them to recycling. Thank you.



York Region District School Board 2022-2023 School Year

The Board knows that families may have questions about what to expect during the next school year. Given the numerous benefits of in-person learning, YRDSB is planning for our students to attend school in person, while following all appropriate measures to protect the health and safety of students, staff and families.

The Ministry of Education has directed school boards to provide a remote learning option for students for 2022-23. For next year, we will have an Elementary Virtual School and Secondary Virtual School. The parameters of the virtual schools are currently being reviewed. Our planned response to the pandemic for next school year does not include a "hybrid" model of learning.

Please note the following information as you begin to contemplate your decisions for next year: In April 2022, students and families will be asked to select their learning model for the entire 2022-2023 school year. We will share information with you in the coming weeks about when and how to select your learning model and other information to help you make an informed decision. This will include start and end times, programs and offerings, etc. Families and students should expect to remain in the selected model for the full school year. Elementary Virtual Schools will offer French Immersion, Community Classes and Gifted programming.

We will continue to share updates with you as it becomes available to help you make an informed decision for the 2022-2023 school year.



Supports for Community Members with Family and Loved Ones Impacted by Events in Ukraine

In solidarity with all of those in our community with family and loved ones impacted by the conflict in Ukraine.

The following are some services currently available to families:

- LifeWorks 24/7 Free Support Crisis Line for Those Impacted by the events in Ukraine: 1-844-751-2133

- Ukrainian Enquiries Phone Line for Clients in Canada and Abroad: 613-321-4243 (Collect calls accepted) More information about Canadian immigration measures for people affected by events in Ukraine are available online by Canadian Immigration and Citizenship.
- Jewish Immigrant Aid Services (JIAS) | ukraine@jiastoronto.org • Services for newcomers of all faiths and cultural affiliations. • Currently supporting with family sponsorships.
- Emergency Hotline for the Ukrainian Jewish Community Info, Guidance & Assistance (Hebrew, Ukrainian and Russian) Provided by The Jewish Agency & The International Fellowship of Christians and Jews
 - From Ukraine: 0-800-504-504603 (Toll Free)
 - From Israel: 1-800-228055 x4 (Toll Free) ○ Assistance Request Form
- In-School Settlement Worker, Olga Joukova Supporting Newcomer Families in York Region (Ukrainian, Russian & Hebrew) ojoukova@ccsy.org | 416-616-6789 Provided by Settlement Education Partnership in York Region (SEPYR), Catholic Community Services of York Region (CCSYR) *Services for newcomers of all faith affiliations.

To assist Canadians concerned about their loved ones in Ukraine, effective immediately, the following phone providers will be waiving all Home Phone and consumer Mobility Postpaid Long Distance charges for calls from Canada to Ukraine until Mar. 31, 2022:

- Bell Canada • Fido - including long distance SMS to Ukraine and roaming fees are also waived. • Freedom Mobile - including long distance SMS to Ukraine and roaming fees are also waived. • Rogers - including long distance SMS to Ukraine and roaming fees are also waived. • Telus - waiving all additional charges for long-distance calls and texts to Ukraine until March 12th • Virgin Plus

These changes will be applied automatically during the month of March. No action is required by customers.

ARE YOU MOVING?

Please let us know if you are planning a move. This information helps us immensely when planning for next year. Please notify the school office as soon as possible.

Also, if you have changed any contact information from September please inform the office so that we have the most up-to-date information for your child.

