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SEPTEMBER SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION NOTICE

Each summer, Student Transportation Services of York Region (STSYR) makes adjustments to bus route schedules to accommodate new students and new school openings. **As a result, some students may experience changes in their bus schedule or route number.** Please confirm bus information for September by checking www.schoolbuscity.com as of August 20. If you are unable to find the information you require, please contact your school.

During the first two weeks of school, students should arrive at their bus stop *10 minutes early*. After this, students are asked to arrive 5 minutes early as each bus route develops its regular routine and service times

Transportation Eligibility

In accordance with Board policies, transportation is provided for students who live within their designated Home School attendance area and outside their grade appropriate Non-Transportation Zone. Transportation eligibility changes throughout a student's school career. **Please note students currently in Grade 3 and Grade 8 who use school bus service may see a change in their eligibility as they transition to Grade 4 and Grade 9.**

- Eligibility JK- Grade 8**
 - All YRDSB students in JK - Grade 3 who live within 1.2 km of their school are **not eligible** for transportation.
 - All YRDSB students in Grades 4 - 8 who live within 1.6 km of their school are **not eligible** for transportation.
- Eligibility Grade 9-12**
 - All YRDSB students in Grades 9 - 12 who live within a transit served area are **not eligible** for transportation.

Parents of students entering Grade 4 and Grade 9 may confirm their transportation eligibility by accessing the Find Your Bus Stop tab at www.schoolbuscity.com. Students not eligible for transportation who wish to obtain York Region Transit information should visit their website at www.yrt.ca or phone 1-866-668-3978.

Administrator's Message

Another school year has passed at Sharon Public School. We are very proud of our student achievements this year; from athletics to the arts, we have great participation. The SPS Family Wellness Evening in the fall, sponsored by the Ministry of Education, was an informative evening with a keynote speaker and community partners sharing resources and strategies for promoting family and student wellness. Our students have continued to engage in deep learning in various spaces in the school. In the Learning Commons Makerspace students engaged in learning about coding, robotics and various collaborative, creative, innovative learning adventures. The collaborative learning partnership that students and staff have developed with our East Gwillimbury Library community partners will continue into next school year. In the SPS outdoor Nature School, students engaged in inquiries into our natural world and made connections to mindfulness and modern learning. We were fortunate to participate in the Toronto Argos Huddle Up program this year. It was amazing to see student leadership around anti-bullying and spreading the message of kindness. Our ECO team worked hard throughout this school year to achieve Gold status. We had great participation on school sports teams and saw SPS students recently progress on to the Regional Track and Field meet. Our very talented students performed a variety of skits, songs and dances at our Sharon Showcase. Each class has enjoyed hands-on learning opportunities with Scientists in the School programs and continued learning about "Movement, Mateship, and Mindfulness" through X-Movement's Fusion program in the Fall. Our Grade 5-8 students had a unique, enriching experience during an afternoon of learning about Opera singing. Our K-Grade 6 students experienced learning about space in the Planetarium dome that was installed in our school Gym. Most recently, our Grade 1-4 classes engaged in a fun drumming workshop with Rhythmic by Nature. These are just a few examples of the great experiences and memories we will fondly remember from this school year.

We thank our staff for their commitment to student achievement and well-being. We are fortunate to have a staff that dedicates extra time to teams, clubs and extra-curricular activities for our students to join in on. SPS has a great team that works together to make learning fun.

We appreciate all of our amazing volunteers at SPS and we thank School Council for their fundraising that contributed to projects like Scientists in the School, X-Movement, transportation to special events, Grade 8 Graduation, enhancing technology and arts programs. With all of your support we were able to provide a wide variety of activities at SPS. We thank all of our families for supporting the SPS School Council and we look forward to welcoming new members in the Fall.

We are saying goodbye to another great group of Grade 8 students as they head off to high school. We wish them all the best as they continue their learning journey with new friends at Huron Heights SS, Bill Crothers SS, Dr. Denison SS and Sir William Mulock SS.

We wish Mrs. Godden and Mrs. Bechberger all the best at their new schools. We congratulate Ms. LeBlanc with her new role as an Early Years Curriculum Consultant with YRDSB. We also wish Mrs. Winch all the best on her Maternity leave, Mrs. Cormier an exciting year of travelling and Mrs. Newman all the best in her retirement! We appreciate everything that you all have done at SPS over the years and will miss you in September! We want to thank Mr. Nickitopoulos, Mrs. Laver and Mrs. Hannon for being a great addition to the SPS staff this school year. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours. We are pleased to have Mr. Ballantine join our SPS team and want to welcome Ms. Baxter, who is joining our staff from Lakeside PS, Mrs. Chaisson who is joining our staff from YRDSB Curriculum and Instructional Services and Mr. Collins who is joining us from Silver Pines PS as our new Lead Caretaker.

Soon we will welcome new families with junior kindergarten students who are entering our full-day Kindergarten program in the fall and new families to our community. We will say goodbye to some families whose grade 8 children are leaving this year. Some of our families have been with us for ten years and some are multi-generational SPS families! Thank you for being a part of Sharon Public School.

We wish everyone a safe and happy summer. See you on September 4th.

Sincerely, Mrs. Gilbert and Mrs. Keosongseng



Are you Moving before next September?

If so, please let us know as soon as possible.

We are currently projecting our student enrolment for September 2018. These numbers help us hire sufficient staff and support personnel. It is important that we know as soon as possible whether you may be leaving the Sharon community before September.

Please call our office with any information
905-478-4952.



Congratulations! to our Grade 8 Graduates...



Sharon Public School wishes you well in High School next year.

We sincerely thank the staff, graduation committee and parents for their enormous support of our graduation ceremony. We couldn't have done it without you... *thanks!*

Thank You School Council!

The Sharon PS School Council members have worked hard this year to organize fundraising and events to support and enhance programs for all students at SPS. We thank the School Council members for your ongoing efforts to support Sharon PS. Thank you for all that you do. We welcome new members to the Sharon School Council for the 2017-2018 school year. Hope to see you at the first meeting in early October. More information will be sent home in September.



September

4th—First Day

24th—P.A. Day

25th—Gr 7 Hep B/HPV vaccination

26th—Bus Evacuation

28th—Picture Day

28th—Meet the Staff evening



THANK YOU!!

We cannot end the year without extending appreciation to our bus drivers, lunch monitors, crossing guard, caretakers and office staff.

These individuals play an important part in your child's life every day. They help them succeed in so many different ways, *each and every day.*

School Assistants

During the lunch hour (12:50-1:50), the school ensures that students are well-supervised while they eat; during dismissal and on the playground. School Assistants are vital individuals who help out with this responsibility. School Assistants should be available to work daily from 12:40 - 1:55 during the entire school year. As well, we are always in need of persons interested in being part of the team on an "on-call" basis. The School Assistant position may also be suitable for retired persons. This is a paid position.

Please contact Sharon Public School at 905-478-4952 if you are interested.

School Year Calendar 2018—2019



That the school holidays be as follows:

Labour Day	Monday, September 3, 2018
Thanksgiving Day	Monday, October 8, 2018
Christmas Vacation	Monday, December 24, 2018 to Friday, January 4, 2019
Family Day	Monday, February 18, 2019
Mid-Winter Break	Monday, March 11, 2019 to Friday, March 15, 2019
Good Friday	Friday, April 19, 2019
Easter Monday	Monday, April 22, 2019
Victoria Day	Monday, May 20, 2019

Elementary

1. Monday, September 24, 2018
2. Monday, October 22, 2018
3. Friday, November 23, 2018
4. Friday, January 18, 2019
5. Friday, February 1, 2019
6. Monday, June 3, 2019
7. Friday, June 28, 2019



Summer Registration

Please let your new neighbours know that they are able to register their children at the following time/place:

Monday - Thursday only
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., July 10 to August 17.
 Community Education Centre North
 130 Carlson Drive, Newmarket
 905-895-5155



SPS Schedule for 2018-2019

Our instructional day begins with our National Anthem at 9:00 a.m. Students are considered late once the National Anthem has started. Please support your child(ren) with arriving to school on time on a daily basis. *Punctuality is a life skill we practice every day!*

2018/2019 Timetable

Period 1	9:00 a.m. to 9:40 a.m.
Period 2	9:40 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.
Period 3	10:20 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.
Recess	11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Period 4	11:30 a.m. to 12:10 p.m.
Period 5	12:10 p.m. to 12:50 p.m.
Lunch	12:50 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.
Period 6	1:50 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Period 7	2:30 p.m. to 3:10 p.m.
Period 8	3:10 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Period 9	3:10 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Elementary International Languages Program 2017-2018

Enclosed in your child's report card will be a Yellow International Languages Program sheet. Please note the following:

- **First day of classes** begin the week of Sept 15th - 21st, 2017
- **New student registration** (New registrants must submit a copy of the Birth Certificate) begins the week of Sept 8th - 14th, 2017. Site locations, registration times and dates are listed on the yellow flyer.

Pre-registered students are to attend the first day of classes beginning the week of September 15th - 21st

Hotmail and YRDSB Issues

Please be advised that over the course of the last several months we have been experiencing some difficulty with mass communications to our community. This affects all "hotmail" addresses, particularly when a mass mailing is involved. For those affected, please provide the office with a new email address so that you will be in receipt of future mail. The York Region District School Board is working on re-

Vacations extending past September 4th

Please be sure to let the office know by email or phone message if your child will not be present when school resumes. If your child is not here, and we have not heard from you, they will be demitted from the School and you will have to re-register them upon your return.

