

## **Upcoming Dates At A Glance**

#### January

#### **February - Black History Month**

<ul> <li>18th - French Immersion Info night (held at Poplar Bank PS @ 7pm - Not the 17th as on the calendar)</li> <li>18th - Huddle Up Assembly</li> <li>19th - P.A. Day - No school</li> <li>24th - Jump Rope kick off</li> <li>25th - Jr. Co-Ed Area Volleyball</li> <li>26th - Spirit Day</li> <li>26th - Gr 8 Course Selection</li> </ul>	
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Future newsletters will not be sent home in print copy. Please visit the school website: https://sharon.ps.yrdsb.ca

# Kindergarten Registration to Commence January 19, 2018

Kindergarten registration will commence on January 19, 2018 for the 2018-19 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: <u>www.yrdsb.ca</u>. Children who turn four or five years old during 2018, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. A kindergarten information session for parents is being planned for this spring. For more information please visit the YRDSB website or contact your local school.

#### Updating Student Immunization Records for York Region Public Health

If parents/guardians or students receive a letter from York Region Public Health requesting immunization information, here's what to do:

Update York Region Public Health on your child's immunization status in one of the following ways:

- Online at <u>https://eimmunization.york.ca</u>
- Fax documents to 905-895-6066 or 1-866-258-2026
- Mail immunization information to Immunization Services, Box 147, Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1
- Call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 73456

#### **Spirit Committee - Upcoming Spirit Days**

Friday Jan 26 - Dress like a Snowman Day



**February is Black History Month** 

Tuesday Feb 6 - 100th Day of School - Dress like a 100 year old to celebrate!

Feb 7th, 8th & 9th - Valentine O'Grams for sale - \$1.00 each They will be delivered Feb 14th.

Wednesday Feb 28th - Pink Shirt Day - Say NO to Bullying!

Per the French Immersion Procedure, Corporate Communications will select and communicate the dates of information sessions and the French Immersion registration period. The sample newsletter insert below will be updated each year to reflect the dates for that year and will be sent to all schools to be inserted in school newsletters

#### French Immersion Information Sessions and Registrations

Information sessions for the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at French Immersion schools on January 18, 2018 at 7 p.m. Please visit YRDSB's website in January 2018 (http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/fi/Pages/Program-Locations.aspx) to find the FI program location for your elementary school location. FI registration will begin January 19, 2018. Parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2018, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can visit or call the school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to the designated FI program location to register between January 19 and February 9, 2018. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.

YRDSB's FI Accommodation Plan provides long-term consistency and equity of access to all students in York Region and will enable YRDSB to continue to offer the FI program to all who wish to enrol. The FI program will be offered in Dual Track or Single Track settings, in a variety of configurations. In order to meet community needs and optimize available space in our schools, a community's Grade 1-8 FI program may be provided over more than one school during the course of a student's FI education. Space requirements at some schools may mean that siblings are in different schools for primary dual track French Immersion programs due to differing grade structures. Like any of our schools across the Board, changes to school boundaries, and/or the accommodation model for the French Immersion program may need to be considered when new schools open, a school experiences enrolment growth, and program changes occur. This will allow flexibility in addressing community needs and the opportunity to use existing space in schools.

More information is available on the Board's website: <u>www.yrdsb.ca</u>. Please note: Some of the Fl accommodation plans will require facility modifications or the development of new schools and will require short-term transition plans that might include overflow while we work toward the long-term vision. Overflow refers to situations in which the Board directs students to attend a school other than their community school or optional program for a specific period of time, as defined in Policy #108.

#### Please note the location and time for the French Immersion Information night as follows:

Poplar Bank Public School 400 Woodspring Ave East (Bonshaw Ave) Newmarket ON. 905-953-8995

Thursday January 18 at 7 pm.

### Arts Camp - Gr 7 & 8 only

Please follow the link for information and application for the 2018 Arts Camp at Camp White in Haliburton, Ontario. Camp will be May 26th - June 2nd, 2018. Deadline for applications is February 9th. No late applications will be accepted. <u>bit.do/ArtsCamp2018</u>



**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** February 9th, 2018

## **Student Absences**

Please **DO NOT** email absence notes to the teacher. Please inform the office by phone at 905-478-4952. (You can leave a voicemail on our attendance line 24 hours a day), or by email at <a href="mailto:sharon.ps@yrdsb.ca">sharon.ps@yrdsb.ca</a>. We will notify the teacher. Please include child's first and last name, teacher, reason and anticipated return to school date.

## **Inclement Weather - Call in Absences**

If the YRDSB deems a day an Inclement Weather Day, all bus and taxi transportation will be cancelled. If your child will be late or absent, please inform the school before 9:00 a.m. to
avoid an attendance phone call. You may leave a message 24 hours a day at 905-478-4952
on the attendance line, or you may email us at sharon.ps@yrdsb.ca to inform us of your
child's attendance.

Please note that the regular school arrival procedure of calling home for absent students is not in effect for eligible bussing students on a Board declared inclement weather day.

#### No Hot Lunches

Please be reminded that on Inclement Weather Days, there is no hot lunch (pizza, subs, Lunch Lady) delivery. If you send your child to school, please make sure s/he has a lunch!

#### Please arrange to pick your child up by 3:30 p.m.

Inclement weather days mean transportation is cancelled, but the school is still open. If you send your child to school, please be aware that you are responsible for arranging their transportation home by 3:30 p.m.! Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Bussing**

- 1. Per Student Transportation Services policy, students may not ride on any bus that they are not already assigned to.
- STSYR works closely with school bus operators to help ensure safe, reliable transportation is provided to students. Occasionally service times may be disrupted for various reasons. As a result, parents and students are encouraged to review the Late Bus Report

http://net.schoolbuscity.com/latebus



To: School Principals, Vice Principals

From: Joe Guchardi, Manager, STSYR

#### RE: School Bus Cancellation Notice

On occasion service cancellation due to inclement weather conditions may be required.

To ensure all education partners (staff, parents and students) understand how they can be informed of any service cancellation, please take the appropriate steps to distribute the attached **School Bus Cancellation Notice.** 

Suggestions for sharing the information include but are not limited to:

- Sending copies home with students;
- Sending copies home in Report Card envelopes;
- Including notice in school newsletters and/or websites.

A decision to cancel school bus transportation will be **region-wide** meaning all buses, vans and taxis will not operate.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access local radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information. A bus cancellation message will also be available at <u>www.schoolbuscity.com</u> and 1-877-330-3001 or by following the YRDSB on Twitter.

## Please note that school bus charters will not operate when regular home to school service is cancelled.

Student Transportation Services thanks you for your efforts to distribute this information.



#### School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.
- School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather may not be affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

#### RADIO

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM
1540 AM	1580 AM	88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM
94.9 FM	95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM
101.1 FM	102.1 FM	104.5 FM	100.7 FM	105.9	107.1 FM

#### TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at <u>www.schoolbuscity.com</u> and by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on twitter. Live in EG! Play in EG!

### 2018 Outdoor Soccer Season REGISTRATION NOW OPEN Register online: www.egsc.ca

2018 REGISTRATION FEES	Jan 1 – Feb 28	Mar 1 – Apr 15*
Micro: U4-U6	\$170.00	\$220.00
Mini: U8-U10	\$185.00	\$235.00
Youth: U12-U18	\$200.00	\$250.00
Over 30: (7 a-side)	\$200.00	\$200.00
Adult: (11 a-side)	\$230.00	\$230.00
*Additional fees may apply for any regist	ration received after April 15	

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2018 LEAGUES AVAILABLE

Micro: U4, U5, U6 Mini: (Boys and Girls) U8, U10 Youth: (Boys and Girls) U12, U14, U16, U18

Adult (all skill levels welcome): Men (Open), Men (30+), Women (Open), Women (30+)

For full details on league format, program description & night of play visit www.egsc.ca • (905) 473-7656 • admin@egsc.ca • #soar2018

Division	Location(s)	Game Formats	Offered on	
U4 (2014 Mixed)		3v3 (15 minutes)	Tuesday or Saturday	
U5 (2013 Mixed)	Mount Albert	3v3 (20 minutes)	Wednesday or Saturday	
U6 (2012) Boys & Girls		4v4 (30 minutes)	Thursday or Saturday	
			Game	Optional
U8 Boys (2011-10)	Mount Albert	5v5 (2X25 halves)	Wednesday	
U8 Girls (2011-10)		545 (2725 Holves)	Thursday	Monday
U10 Boys (2009-08)		7v7 (2X25 halves)	Tuesday	(Staff Led)
U10 Girls (2009-08)			Tuesday	
U12 Boys (2007-06)	Mount Albert,	9v9 (2X30 halves)	Tuesday	Monday (Staff Led)
U12 Girls (2007-06)	Georgina	909 (2A30 Halves)	Thursday	
U14 Boys (2005-04)	Mount Albert, Georgina, Newmarket, Stouffville,		Thursday	Monday
U14 Girls (2005-04)		11v11 (2X45 halves)	Wednesday	(Staff Led)
U16 Boys (2003-02)			Tuesday	N/A
U16 Girls (2003-02)	Markham		Tuesday	

## WOULD YOU ENJOY COLLABORATIVELY LEARNING THE ONTARIO CURRICULUM THROUGH THE ARTS?

If so, the York Region District School Board offers an Elementary Integrated Arts **Program** at Baythorn Public School. If you are currently in grades <u>four or five</u> you may apply for the arts@baythorn program, where you will have the opportunity to explore the disciplines of Dance, Drama, Visual Arts, and Music in a cooperative learning environment.

To learn more about the **arts@baythorn** program, you and your family are invited to attend an information evening at Baythorn Public School on:

Thursday, January 18, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.

Applications will be available at **bit.ly/arts\_application2018** online after the January 18th, 2018 info night.

If you require further information, please call us at Baythorn Public School (905) 889-7992.

Kate Kurek Principal

The Arts Team

Meytal Daniels Vice Principal



January



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