

Sharon P.S. Flyer

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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 21. 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. It seems like they go faster every year! We are very proud of our student and staff achievements this year, from athletics to the arts, we have amazing participation. The SPS Math Evening in the fall, sponsored by the Ministry of Education, was a great success with students demonstrating the many ways they are learning about math through games, puzzles and problems. Our students have continued to engage in deep learning in the Learning Commons Makerspace with 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. 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 spring Canada 150 concert. Each class has enjoyed hands-on learning opportunities with Scientists in the School programs and most recently learned about "Movement, Mateship, and Mindfulness" through X-Movement's Aussie X program. We look forward to them returning in the Fall with their X-Fusion program. It was amazing to see students engaged in extra-curriculars this year like the knitting club, beading club, Mathletes, choir, band, and much more. 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 the new friends at Huron Heights SS. We wish Mrs. Claxton all the best in her retirement. We appreciate all that you have done at SPS over the years and will miss you in September! We want to thank Ms. Kolkman, Mrs. T. Laver and Mrs. N. Laver for being a great addition to the SPS staff this school year. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours. Welcome to Mr. Foster, who is joining our staff from Wellington PS, Mrs. Pitkin, who is joining our staff from Deer Park PS, and Mr. Nikitopoulos who will be returning next year.

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 SPS.

We wish everyone a safe and happy summer. See you on September 5th. Sincerely, Mrs. Gilbart and Mrs. Stevens



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 2017. 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!

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

5th—First Day

15th—School Bus Safety

25th-PA Day

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 2017-2018

The 2017-2018 School Holidays will be as follows:

Labour Day September 4th, 2017
Thanksgiving Day October 9th, 2017

Christmas Vacation December 25th, 2017—January 5th, 2018

Family Day February 19th, 2018
Mid-Winter Break March 12th-16th, 2018
Good Friday March 30th, 2018
Easter Monday April 2nd, 2018
Victoria Day May 21st, 2018

The 2017-2018Professional Activity Days will be as follows:

PA Day	September 25th, 2017
PA Day	October 20th, 2017
PA Day	November 24th, 2017
PA Day	January 19th, 2018
PA Day	February 2nd, 2018
PA Day	June 4th, 2018
PA Day	June 29th, 2018



SPS Schedule for 2017-2018

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!*

2017/18 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.

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



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
- <u>New student registration</u> (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.

<u>Pre-registered students</u> 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 5th

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.

