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March Character Trait: Perseverance

Upcoming Events

March

- 5 Int. Boys Basketball
- 4-6 Gr. 5/6 YMCA
- 8 Daylight Savings begins
- 9 Gr. 7/8 Career Fair
- 13 PA Day
- 16-20 March Break
- 27 Jersey Day

April

- 1 School Council
- 3 Good Friday
- 6 Easter Monday

School Council

Have you ever wondered what the School Council does? Are you considering attending an upcoming meeting to find out? I was in the same boat 2 years ago... I had NO idea!

Members of School Council devote significant amounts of their personal time, during and after school hours, ensuring our children have a positive educational experience. Their efforts help to provide the means by which our school is able to offer our children the quality education and experience that Sharon Public School is known for.

I've come to learn that the School Council has many responsibilities within the school. Here are a few key things Council is responsible for:

- raising money and distributing funds associated with a \$25,000 council budget which supports a wide range of school initiatives/needs/programs. For example, grade 8 graduation, library funding, music program, athletic programs, purchasing new IT equipment (iPads, computers, etc), curriculum support (i.e. scientist in the school), student agendas, etc etc.;
- organizes and executes the pizza, subway, milk, and frozen yogurt food programs which generates over 50% of funding for the council budget;
- manages and executes 2-3 large fund raisers for the school each year to ensure there are funds to support the council budget i.e. September Meet the Staff Night, QSP and Elf day; and
- are responsible for running various other programs/activities for the school such as snack box, Santa Claus Parade float, Yearbook, Gingerbread Shop, etc.

The School Council is always looking for more members to help out with the daily/weekly/monthly activities that it is responsible for running. Its responsibilities and initiatives contribute not only to our children's education but to their daily well being. It is a very important responsibility and council welcomes any parent(s) interested in attending any meeting to share ideas and learn about what's happening around the school.

The next School Council meeting is April 1st, 2015 at 7:00 pm in the Library.

If you have any questions for the School Council or would like to speak with a School Council parent, please don't hesitate to send an email to drennan6526@sympatico.ca.

York Region District School Board Student Surveys

In order to provide information for Board and School planning, York Region District School Board students in Grades 5 to 12 will be invited to participate in a school survey. The survey, which is anonymous and confidential, will be conducted from **April 7 to May 15, 2015** and will take place at school. The information from this survey will be used to identify areas to be addressed, monitor progress and plan strategies to support student achievement and well-being. Aligned with Board priorities, the survey will address topics including equity and inclusion, school safety, learning environment, student well-being and other priorities. If you have questions, please contact the school office.

York Region District School Board School Climate Survey for Parents Key Findings

In May and June 2014, parents were invited to complete a questionnaire to collect perception data about their child's school environment and learning. The survey addressed topics including equity and inclusion, school safety, learning environment, student well-being and parent engagement. More than 14,000 parents participated in the survey.

Overall, parents tended to have positive perceptions of school safety, the learning environment at their child's school, and reported that the school environment was welcoming, equitable and inclusive. Parent responses indicated some areas for attention, specifically in areas related to parent engagement, the provision of information related to mental health supports and community agencies and services, and the steps taken by the school to prevent and address bullying.

Thank you to all who participated. Information gathered from this survey will support school and Board planning processes.

The Sharon Public School Eco Skyhawks

We still have a few cookbooks for sale and we will be selling re-usable water bottles with the school's logo on them in the Spring. So please help support these Eco Team's initiative, so we can purchase and install a Water Bottle Filling Station for our school.

We will be receiving \$1000 from the Aviva Community Fund Grant that we applied for and the money will go toward the Water Bottle Filling Station.

We finished the Appliance Audit and the students were amazed at the huge difference in the electrical consumption between the Milk Fridge and the Library printer. It just brings awareness to the students about the amount of Greenhouse Gas emissions that each unit produces.

We continue to monitor our "NO IDLING AT SHARON P.S. Campaign".

We continue to do our community used battery drive so any households that have used batteries please drop them off at the school and we will dispose of them at a Hazardous Waste Facility.

We are brain storming ideas to improve our school yard greening. If you have any suggestions or can help with this, please contact Mrs. Bechberger or Mr. O'Neil.

If there are any Parents/Guardians that would like to be part of our school's ECO TEAM, please contact Mr. O'Neil or Mrs. Bechberger.



Healthy Schools

March is Nutrition Month

A lot of people struggle with making healthy food choices outside of the home. That's why Nutrition Month 2015 is dedicated to helping Canadians learn how to eat well all day long – whether at work, at school or at play.

With the right recipes, tips and a little planning, anyone can prepare nutritious meals and snacks for anytime and anywhere. Make it and take it, wherever the day takes you.

<http://www.eatrightontario.ca>

The Big Crunch



The Great Big Crunch is a special day of good food education, ending with a massive synchronized bite into a crunchy apple to celebrate. The Great Big Crunch will be taking place on Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 2:30 pm.

Georgina Girls Hockey Association

P R E S E N T S

THE MINI WORLDS GIRLS HOCKEY WEEKEND

3 Game Guarantee - \$65 Registration Fee - All Girls Welcome

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MINI WORLDS WEEKEND

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LEARN key skills & MEET new TEAMMATES



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Intermediate (2002-2005)

Seniors (1997-2001)

PLAY LIKE A GIRL

www.georginagirlshockey.com or Call Renee 416.427.0211

If you don't have access to hockey equipment call Renee at 416.427.0211 and we will do our best to find borrowed equipment for the weekend.



GEORGINA GIRLS HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

OPEN HOUSE



Free On Ice Open Skate

Helmet Required, bring equipment and sticks if possible. Come meet current players, families, Novice Coaches Eric Desrosiers, Joel Tout, Jeff Benn and Chris Budd plus Atom coaches John Davidson and Bill Towle. Learn about girls hockey programs in Georgina.

March 8, 2015 3:30pm at Georgina Ice Palace

All ages welcome

All Abilities

Goalie equipment available to try

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Please join the York Region District School Board Psychological Services Department for:

An Evening Presentation for **PARENTS**
with **Dr. Debra Pepler**
Promoting Resiliency Through Healthy Relationships

The symposium will be of interest to parents/guardians in promoting caring and supportive relationships within their family.

Healthy relationships are critical for the development of resiliency in children and youth.

These relationships start at home and then extend to school, peers and the community.

Recent research is showing that the quality of children's relationships is important for many outcomes: healthy DNA and the expression of genes in cells, brain development, behaviour, learning and physical, mental, and social health.

This workshop will:

- Provide a deeper understanding of how healthy development depends on healthy relationships, which sets the groundwork for developing resiliency and well-being;
- Focus on strategies to support children and youth's healthy development;
- Focus on strategies to support the development of resilience; and
- Describe the work being done within PREVNET (Promoting Relationships and Eliminating Violence Network) to promote healthy relationships in all places that children and youth live, learn and play.

When: Wednesday, May 6, 2015
Where: Riviera Parque Convention Centre
2800 Hwy. #7 West
(Hwy. #7 & Creditstone Road/ between Keele and Jane, North Side)
Time: 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Registration Fee: \$10.00 per person **or** \$15.00 per Family (parents or guardians of student(s))
(no refund if unable to attend)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU VIA YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED

Name(s): _____ Contact Phone #: _____
(Please print clearly, name or names of each Parent/Guardian attending)

E-mail: _____ Number Attending: _____ Amt. Attached: \$ _____

Please **return this portion** of the flyer with your **CHEQUE only**. **(ABSOLUTELY NO CASH)**
made payable to York Region District School Board by April 30, 2015



By Mail: Elizabeth Iarocci, Psychological Services, York Region District School Board,
300 Harry Walker Parkway South, Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 8E2

By YRDSB Board Courier: Attn.: Elizabeth Iarocci - Psychological Services - C.L.L. - Newmarket

A confirmation of registration will be sent to you on receipt of payment.

Please note: **THE E-MAIL CONFIRMATION IS YOUR TICKET FOR ENTRANCE TO THE SESSION.**

March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Lunch lady</i>	3 <i>Pizza</i>	4 <i>Gr. 5/6 Camp YMCA</i> <i>Subway</i>	5 <i>Gr. 5/6 Camp YMCA</i> <i>Int. Band to Park Ave</i> <i>Lunch Lady</i>	6 <i>Gr. 5/6 Camp YMCA</i> <i>Lunch Lady</i>	7
8 <i>Turn Clocks Ahead</i> 	9 <i>Gr. 7/8 Career Fair</i> <i>Lunch Lady</i>	10 <i>Pizza</i>	11 <i>Subway</i>	12 <i>Lunch Lady</i>	13 <i>PA DAY</i>	14
15	16	17 <i>St Patrick's Day</i>	18	19	20	21
March Break						
22	23 <i>Lunch Lady</i>	24 <i>Pizza</i>	25 <i>Subway</i>	26 <i>Lunch Lady</i>	27 <i>Jersey Day</i> <i>Lunch Lady</i>	28 <i>Earth Hour 8:30-9:90 pm</i>
 Perseverance We stick to a goal and work hard even in the face of obstacles and challenges. We complete all tasks and assignments.						