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Upcoming Dates

April 28 - Federal Election – Polling Station at Silver Pines

April 29 - Junior Girls Basketball Tournament

April 30 - Scientists in School – Grade 7

May 2 - Jump Rope for Heart

May 5 - SODA - Students of Differentiated Access- Elementary Athletics and Activities Festival

May 5 - School Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

May 9 - School Immunization – Grade 7

May 12 - Wesak

May 14 - High School Musical Performance @ 7:00pm

May 16 - Track and Field



FAMILY FUN AND WELLNESS NIGHT – THANK YOU

Thank you to our families for joining us for our Family Fun and Wellness Night. It was an amazing event with lots of fun activities for everyone! A “big” thank you to our staff and our School Council and community partners for organizing and supporting this night. And Congratulations to all our raffle prize winners!!!

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART – MAY 2 – WEAR RED

Our school is excited to participate in Jump Rope for Heart this year! Our students will discover fun ways to get active, practice healthy habits and learn about helping others while raising money to beat heart disease and stroke. Our Event Day is set for May 2nd.

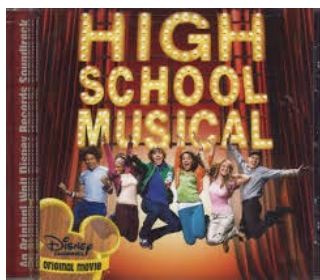
As part of the event, we’re also working toward a school-wide fundraising goal of **\$2,000** in support of heart health. All proceeds go to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada. If your family would like to contribute, there are two ways to get involved.

Begin by clicking on the link to our school’s fundraising page: <https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/84275>.

Next, choose one of the following options:

- To make a **general donation** under our school’s name, simply click on **"Donate"**
- If your child would like to **fundraise individually and be eligible for a gift card**, please click **"Register"** to set up your child’s fundraising page

Let’s get our hearts pumping and our goal jumping—thank you for your support!



HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL – WEDNESDAY MAY 14

Disney's *High School Musical Jr.* is playing at Silver Pines on Wednesday on May 14th 2025! There will be only **ONE** performances for families at 7 p.m.

The fun-filled 60-minute musical, designed for middle school-aged performers, is based on the 2006 Disney Channel Original Movie and the subsequent National Tour. Our Grade 6-8 cast and crew includes more than 40 students led by a team of dedicated staff members.

Tickets will be available for \$2.00 each

Before each performance, we will also be having a special VIP seating draw! Purchase your VIP tickets at the show for an additional \$2.00 each. If your ticket is drawn, you will have access to front row comfortable couch seats to watch the show! Refreshments will also be on sale.

EQAO MATH WEBINAR - APRIL 29 - for Parents and Guardians

Join us for a free live webinar where EQAO staff will discuss math questions that Ontario students encounter when they participate in Ontario's large-scale assessments. These assessments are taken by all Ontario students in Grades 3, 6 and 9. During the webinar, EQAO staff will show how these math questions help assess the skills students are learning in their math classes. Staff will also share valuable insights from the past three years of assessment results, which can help parents and guardians support their children's math learning.

[Register](#)

WESAK – MAY 12

Wesak or Vesak, is the most important festival of the year for the Buddhist community and recognized on May 12, 2025. It is the observance that commemorates the Birth, Enlightenment and Final Nirvana of the Buddha. Wesak occurs annually during the full moon of the lunar month of Vesākha, usually in April, May, or June.

JEWISH HAERITAGE MONTH COMMUNITY EVENT – MAY 29

The Network of Educators Supporting Jewish Learners (NESJL) and ISCS are hosting a Jewish Heritage Month celebration to honour the history, resilience, and contributions of diverse Jewish communities. Together, we will celebrate Jewish heritage by rolling up our sleeves and learning to braid traditional challah, a beautiful and symbolic Jewish bread. This event, focusing on fostering equity, inclusion, and community engagement, is open to all YRDSB students, families, and staff. Please join us on **Thursday, May 29, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. at Langstaff S.S.**, 106 Garden Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON L4C 6M1.

[Registration link](#). Registration due date is Friday, May 16, 2025.

Please see [flyer](#) for more information

SUMMER INSTITUTE 2025

Summer institute programs and learning opportunities are offered weekly to YRDSB students from June 30 to August 8. Please see link below for more information and registration.

[Summer Institute 2025 – Contact and Bursary Information](#)

GRADE 8 GRAD WEAR!

Grade 8 Grad Hoodies and T-shirts are now available for purchase. Please visit the following link for ordering information:

https://stores.inksoft.com/silver_pines_grads/shop/home

CELL PHONES AT SCHOOL

A reminder about the use of cell phones in school. Cell phones and other personal communication devices are to be turned off and kept out of sight during instructional time, unless otherwise permitted by the teacher for instructional purposes. Cell phones are not allowed outside at recess, lunch or anytime in hallways or washrooms. If students need to contact parents, they are expected to do so through the office with the permission of their teacher. Students should not be texting at school, taking photos of any kind, or going on social media. Failure to abide by this may result in confiscation of their electronic device. Please speak to your child about this at home and help us keep our school safe. Should you need to contact your child during the school day, please call the office.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP - PARKING IN THE FIRE ZONE

Please note that parking is not permitted in the Bus Zone/Fire Zone in the front. Cars may be ticketed by the city. Please use the parking spaces in front of the school to park your car before coming into the office. You can also park on the street if there are no parking spaces in front of the school. Never leave your car parked, idling or unattended especially with children inside! Drive slowly, be aware of your surroundings, obey the road rules, crosswalks, and speed limits.

As always, the safety of our students is our top priority. Please give yourself enough time and be patient with other drivers and our staff.

END OF DAY – EARLY PICK-UPS

Though we encourage families to make appointments and other engagements outside of our school hours, we understand that sometimes this is not possible. To limit disruptions to end of day routines in classrooms, we ask that any early pick-ups be **completed by 2:30pm**. The last 30 minutes of the school day is a busy time for students and staff who are engaged in many end of day activities, and we would like to limit any additional disruptions to the learning of all of our students during this time. As always, please try to inform the office **and** your child's teacher by email/Edsby ahead of time.

FAMILIES PLANNING TO MOVE - students not returning in September

As we begin our planning for the 2025-2026 school year, we kindly ask you to inform the school office if your family has plans to move over the summer, or if your children will not be returning in September for any reason. This information helps us to ensure a smooth transition for all students and to make necessary staffing arrangements for the upcoming academic year.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated and helps us in planning effectively for the new school year. Thank you for your support.