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Upcoming Dates

May 22 – Victoria Day – No School

May 23 to 26 – Book Fair

May 29 to June 9 – Grade 3 and 6 EQAO

May 30 – Immunization for Gr 7 & 8 Students

June 2 – PA DAY

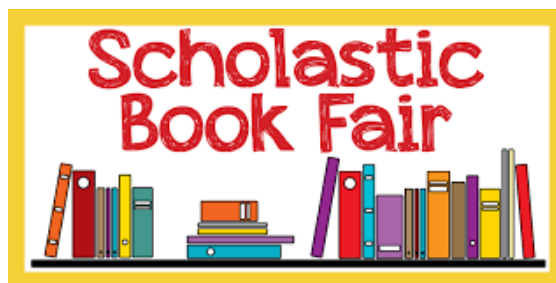
June 6 – Area Track and Field

June 7 – End of Year BBQ

June 7 – 8 – Scientists in School (Grade 1)



Wishing all of our Silver Pines Families a great long weekend!



The Scholastic Book Fair is returning to Silver Pines! It will run from Tuesday, May 23rd until Friday, May 26th. The Book Fair will also be open Tuesday - Thursday until 3:30pm if you wish to come with your child. Teachers will sign up their classes to come, so wait for your child's teacher to inform you as to what date they have chosen.

Due to technical issues, Scholastic will NOT be offering an online option for this Book Fair. The Book Fair will be In Person only.

End of Year School BBQ Celebration - June 7th - 5:30 – 7:30pm.

BBQ Order - Fire it Up BBQ will be onsite offering 4 different food combos which include either a hamburger, veggie burger, halal burger or hotdog along with a bag of chips and drink. Orders can be made on school cash online from May 5th to 19th.

We Need Your Help

We are asking families who are able to – please donate items for our raffle baskets. All items must be new. Donations are due to the office by May 26th

Presentation by Author Ryan Wagman (Grade 4 – 8)

This week our Grade 4-8 students participated in a mental health presentation by author Ryan Wagman. He read us his book 'I thought a thought' and helped us to learn that 'thoughts come and go but they don't define us'. We wrote our feelings down on a paper, counted to 5 and threw them away!



Go Fish Musical

A “Big” Thank You to all of our families who came out to see our “Go Fish Musical” this week. It was a big success. Students did a wonderful job singing and presenting. Thank you to all of our performers, artists and directors. We are very lucky at Silver Pines to have such talented students.





Track and Field

This week many of our students participated in Track and Field. Congratulations to everyone who came out and worked so hard. We are so proud of all of our students.



All schools in the York Region District School Board are committed to improving student achievement and well-being. On **Friday, June 30, 2023**, an early release day will take place to allow elementary teachers and support staff to take part in meetings during the afternoon of that day. These meetings will allow for school staff to engage in culminating activities regarding the review and revision of the School's Improvement Plan as well as year-end and transition activities that support student success.

As has been our practice in the past, students will attend school during the morning of Friday, June 30, 2023 only. Students will be dismissed early that day at **11:30am**. Arrangements will be made to ensure that students who are normally bused to and from school will receive transportation at this time. Parents/guardians whose children attend after school child care should make appropriate arrangements to address this change in schedule.

Emily Carr SS presents SARA WESTBROOK



A teen's emotional state affects their performance at school, their relationships and their physical and mental well-being. Emotions can be hard to identify, to move through and hardest of all...to talk about.

NURTURING YOUR TEEN'S EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING

DATE: Tuesday May 23rd

TIME: 6:45 - 8:00 pm

In this presentation, parents and guardians will learn
3 Strategies to help develop:



Resilience and Emotional Well-Being

Using the **3 Strategies** with your tee will help them:

- Navigate emotions
- Decrease anxiety and stress
- Strengthen their confidence muscle
- Communicate with empathy, respect & kindness
- Master the skill of making character-based choices

Register online now

*'Thank you for an incredible presentation!
You gave us a sense of honesty, understanding & connection.
As parents the journey can become rocky & doubtful at times wondering
if we are doing a good job.'*

As seen and heard on
Global TV, Sirius XM, Rogers TV, CHCH, CTV

www.sarawestbrook.com

Recreation Subsidies – Please see attachment from York Region



The Come Up Summer Program 2023

The York Region District School Board is pleased to announce The Come Up summer program 2023. This program offers self-identifying Black students who are entering high school in September 2023 with an opportunity to earn their first credit. Black students entering grade 9 will earn the grade 10 Civics/Career compulsory credit. It also includes guest speakers, field trips, lunch (Mondays & Wednesdays) and swag.

The program takes place Wednesday, July 5, 2023 - Friday, July 28, 2023 from 8:45am - 3:35pm. Attendance is mandatory for the full duration of the program. Each activity/workshop will use an identity affirming approach with emphasis on student engagement to build positive self-esteem for Black students embarking on a new journey.

Students will earn/receive the following:

- Swag bags including t-shirts and resources;
- Free lunch (Mondays & Wednesdays); and
- First high school credit;

For more information and to register please see the [flyer](#).

Students will be taking part in the provincial Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary Division (Grades 1–3) or Junior Division (Grades 4–6). These assessments, developed by Ontario teachers and assessment experts, are administered to all Grade 3 and Grade 6 students in Ontario’s publicly funded school system by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO).

At Silver Pines:

Grade 6’s will be writing EQAO week of May 29 - June 2, 2023

Grade 3’s will be writing EQAO week of June 5 - June 9, 2023

As consistent attendance is necessary. We kindly advise NOT to book any appointments or events during scheduled EQAO writing times.

Each assessment includes a language and mathematics component, along with a student questionnaire. During the assessment, students will complete four language sessions that range from 15 to 35 minutes each and four mathematics stages that each take about 30 minutes to complete. Each session or stage will be completed in one continuous sitting, and the sessions and stages may be administered throughout the administration dates.

Students will have the opportunity to become familiar with the types of questions on the online assessment and its platform through EQAO’s online sample test.

EQAO assessment questions are directly based on the expectations set out in *The Ontario Curriculum* for reading, writing and mathematics, which are what teachers teach in the classroom every day. Therefore, your child does not need to prepare in any special way. Students will complete the assessment in their regular classrooms with their current teachers and are simply encouraged to do their best and show what they know.

In the fall, EQAO will share individual reports for all our students. Your child’s results are private and will give you an indication of their achievement in relation to Ontario’s provincial standard. The standard, or Level 3, represents the range from B– to B+. Meeting the standard means your child has a solid grasp of the required knowledge and skills, which is a good indication that they will be ready for the next grade. The results of the assessment do not affect your child’s grades or report card in any way.

For more information about EQAO and to view a sample test, visit EQAO’s website, www.eqao.com.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or your child’s teacher.

SCHOOLIMMUNIZATIONS

York Region Public Health is returning to your child's school for an immunization clinic for Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) & Meningococcal vaccines. Vaccines are available for free to students in grades 7-12.

The Scheduled clinic day is TUESDAY MAY 30, 2023

A new consent submission IS NOT required for students who received vaccines at school in fall of 2022.

For students who did not receive vaccines at school in the Fall of 2022, it's not too late to submit a consent form. [CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE ELECTRONIC CONSENT](#) to complete a school clinic immunization consent form.

For more information about the school immunization clinics or eligibility for vaccines click here to visit our webpage or call **York Region Public Health** at 1-877-464-9675