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Please mark your calendars

March 2
School Council Meeting
7:00 p.m.

March Break
March 16-20

March 31
Norooz Assembly
11:15 a.m.
All are Welcome



Character Trait
MARCH
PERSEVERANCE

Sixteenth Avenue Star

Administrator's Message

March 2020

As we approach the March Break, we are hopeful that a (well-deserved) change of seasons will soon be upon us. Spring is often cited as one of the favourite times of the year for many people. It is a time of renewal, new growth and new opportunity. Spring always brings forth a buzz of activity in the school and in classrooms, and may be a symbol of our continued efforts as a school community to work together in supporting and promoting the academic, social and emotional growth of our students.

We are now well into the second term of this school year. In moving forward towards the goals of academic success and student well-being, we encourage you to contact your child's teacher(s) and the school on a regular basis to ensure that expectations regarding "next steps" for your child are put into action, and clearly understood by all involved: students, parents, teachers, and administration. We continue to encourage a proactive approach to productive and collaborative partnerships.

March 31st^t, 2020 will be a very important date for any families who wish to take part in a number of exciting and celebratory events at our school. Starting at 11:15 a.m., we will host a **Celebration of Nowruz** (a Persian celebration for the coming of Spring). This event (approx. 1 hour in length) will showcase a dramatic performance, dances, and – very importantly – the tradition of "jumping over fire" - a symbol of renewal for all those who celebrate this important astronomical event!

I would like to extend a "thank you" to our parent community for their efforts in supporting safe driving and parking practices during the very busy pick-up and drop-off times at school. It is both hoped for, and encouraged that, with the coming of warmer weather, parents will encourage their children who are not eligible for bussing, to walk to and from school. This is not only a healthy practice, but also reduces significant traffic congestion around the school. We feel that less traffic on the road will contribute to safer conditions for both pedestrians and motorists, alike! In addition to the aforementioned, please see below, some additional suggestions to support our continued efforts in supporting road safety:

a) **Richmond Hill Road Watch** is a community initiative that enables any member of the public to report dangerous driving by providing information about the offending incident on this website: <https://onlinereporting.yrp.ca/dors/en/crupfilingperson>. The report is anonymous and the registered owner of the vehicle will be contacted by the YRP in writing. More information about this initiative can be found at: <http://www.richmondhill.ca/subpage.asp?>

In partnership with York Regional Police, parents should be encouraged to report instances of dangerous driving and/or illegal parking around the school, as follows:

b) **Please follow the rules of the road:** Parents and community members are reminded to adhere to safe driving practices and to respect the posted signage on the road (i.e. parking along the road only where permitted and never in or along fire routes; not pulling U-turn's on the road – they are illegal; etc.).

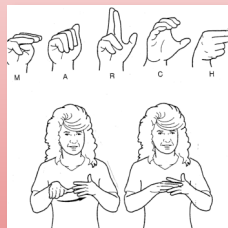
At all times, please feel free to contact the school should you have any comments or questions!

Tim Gervais, Principal
Claudio Tulipano, Vice-Principal

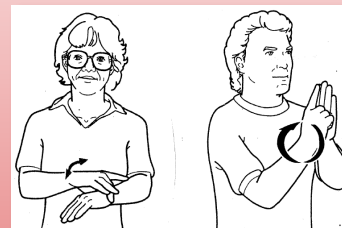
Signs of the Month



March is Perseverance Month



March Break



Earth Hour



Spring

Summer Institute Home

Summer Institute Registration Opens on March 10, 2020 at 4:00p.m.

We are pleased to offer online registration this year. Please visit the Summer Institute registration page on or after March 10 for the online registration link.

NOTE: ONLINE REGISTRATION MUST BE COMPLETED ON A DESKTOP BROWSER. ONLINE REGISTRATIONS CANNOT BE COMPLETED ON MOBILE DEVICES.

Families can continue to register in person or by mail on or after March 10.

The York Region District School Board's **Summer Institute** offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum for children and youth entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8.



New for Summer Institute 2020

Current YRDSB student 9 digit OEN number is required on the 2020 Summer Institute online registration form. The student OEN number is located on your child's report card.

Please have the student OEN number available for each YRDSB student before you begin the online registration process in order to avoid delay. Applicants will not be able to process without the student's OEN number.



Elementary Provincial Report Card

Date:

Student:	OEN:	Days Absent:	Total Days Absent:
Grade:	Teacher:	Times Late:	Total Times Late:
Board:	School:		
Address:	Address:		
	Principal:	Telephone:	

For complete information please follow the link below:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/summer/si/Pages/default.aspx>

Weekly Sessions

July 6, 2020 to August 14, 2020

Week A - July 6 to July 10

Week B - July 13 to July 17

Week C - July 20 to July 24

Week D - July 27 to July 31

Week E - August 4 to August 7 (4-day week)

Week F - August 10 to August 14

Weekly Fees

York Region District School Board fees \$110 (4-day week), \$125 (5-day week)

Non-York Region District School Board fees \$135 (4-day week), \$160 (5-day week)

Before and after care is offered by the YMCA for an additional cost.

Cancellation Policy

Before June 1, 2020 will be fully refunded less a \$25.00 per week, per child, administration surcharge. After June 1, 2020, the full registration fee is non-refundable. Challenges to credit card payments may be subject to a \$20.00 fee.

Locations

Programs are offered at [locations](#) in Richmond Hill, Markham, Stouffville, Newmarket, Woodbridge, Vaughan and Georgina from 9:00 am - 3:30 pm with extended YMCA before and aftercare programs available at all [locations](#).

Please note that due to construction and renovation work at some school sites, some Summer Institute programs will be offered at different locations this year. Please review program [locations](#) prior to registering.

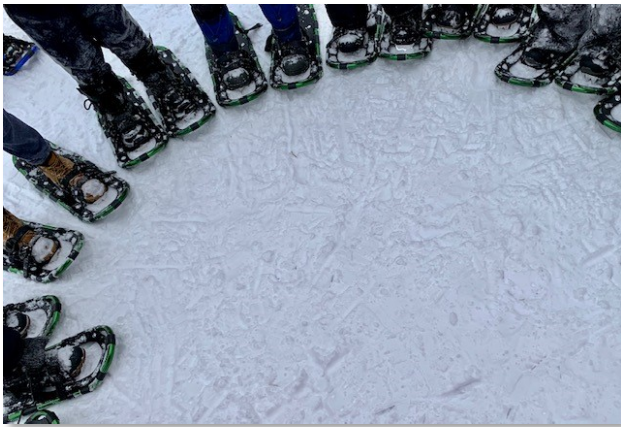
The Summer Institute is being offered to community members as a component of the [Performance Plus](#) (P+) Family of Schools.

- The “Performance” in the program’s name refers to student achievement and well-being.
- The “Plus” in the program’s name refers to the additional resources and leadership that can enhance learning in elementary schools in neighborhoods affected by poverty.
- Additional resources and leadership bring school staff members, families and communities together to ensure that every child is prepared to learn

Snowshoeing at Sixteenth














March 2020

Perseverance

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Day 3 Grade 8 VIP 11:15 a.m.	3 Day 4	4 Day 5	5 Day 1 	6 Day 2  Sub Lunch	7
8	9 Day 3 Grade 8 VIP 11:15 a.m.	10 Day 4	11 Day 5	12 Day 1 Grade 7 VIP 11:15 a.m. 	13 Day 2  Sub Lunch	14
15	16 Day 0	17 Day 0	18 Day 0	19 Day 0	20 Day 0	21
March Break No school!						
22	23 Day 3	24 Day 4  Grade 8 Grad photos	25 Day 5	26 Day 1 	27 Day 2  Sub Lunch	28
29	30 Day 3	31 Day 4 Norooz Assembly 11:15 am - 12:15 pm				

April 2020

Courage

Sixteenth Avenue P.S.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Day 5	2 Day 1	3 Day 2	4
					 Sub Lunch	
5	6 Day 3 School Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	7 Day 4	8 Day 5	9 Day 1	10 Day 0 Good Friday no school	11
						
12	13 Day 0 Easter Monday no school	14 Day 2	15 Day 3	16 Day 4	17 Day 5	18
					 Sub Lunch	
19	20 Day 1	21 Day 2	22 Day 3	23 Day 4	24 Day 5	25
					 Sub Lunch	
26	27 Day 1	28 Day 2	29 Day 3	30 Day 4		