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Please mark your calendars

Monday, September 23
P.A. Day

Monday, October 14
Thanksgiving Day

Monday, October 21
P.A. Day

School is closed on these days

Character Trait SEPTEMBER

INCLUSIVITY

We demonstrate equity and inclusivity in all that we do. We demand an environment in which all students, staff, parents and our community feel valued and have a sense of belonging. We expect empathy, mutual respect and understanding to be demonstrated in our words and actions.

Sixteenth Stars

September 2019

Administrator's Message

On behalf of the staff at Sixteenth Ave. Public School, we would like to welcome all of the families in our community to another exciting school year! As you are likely aware, many of the construction and renovation projects have been completed, and the school abounds with an air of renewal, vigour and excitement! We are very excited to see the excitement on student's faces as they explored their "new" learning environments, and engaged on the path to achievement and well-being during these opening days of school. As we walk through the halls and visit classrooms, it is clearly evident that students are ready and eager to meet the challenges and excitement that comes with the start of school endeavours!

We have been very busy at Sixteenth Ave. P.S. over the opening days of school, and will continue to initiate a number of projects moving forward. Many students will be preparing for our upcoming Area Cross-Country Meet (early October) and Volleyball tryouts will have started in earnest. Further, our school Concert Band, lead by our Instrumental Music Teacher, Mr. Bond, are starting to be organized for future practices and performances – please stay tuned for more information as it is shared in the coming weeks!

We look forward to seeing all of you at our annual Meet the Staff BBQ", supported by Sixteenth Ave. P.S. staff and School Council. It will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 2nd, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (BBQ and mingling from 5:30 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.; informal classroom visits – 6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.). Please remember that this evening is an informal one that provides an opportunity for parents to meet their child/ren's respective teachers; requests for formal interviews/meetings to discuss specific questions and/or concerns can be scheduled, as/if needed, at other times. Please check for an upcoming letter letting you know how you can place your order using School Cash Online.

Ongoing communication between the school and home is critical to the academic success and well-being of our students. Please note that the vast majority of school information and outreach can be found on our school website by using the following link:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/sixteenthavenue.ps/Pages/default.aspx>

We encourage you to use this link to access Board and school communications on an ongoing basis!

Further, as your child's journey gets underway over the next weeks and months, please be sure to share information, ask questions, and discuss any concerns with school staff; specific questions and concerns that relate to particular classes feel free to contact the appropriate teacher. Please remember that we always strive to be available to work with parents, students and community partners to ensure that the year runs smoothly, and that your child's well-being and academic achievement are supported in the most appropriate ways possible. Positive and constructive relationships between the school and the community are key ingredients towards supporting the success of your child!



MEET THE STAFF BBQ

Wednesday, October 2nd

BBQ is 5:30 p.m. – 6:15 pm

Visit your Child's Classrooms from 6:15-7:00 pm

Further details will be sent home in a few weeks



We are pleased to be bringing back

905-470-2598

www.thelunchlady.ca

Lunch Lady to the school this year. Please note that Lunch Lady is not operated by us. If you have any questions or concerns, you need to contact them directly.

Please click on the links below to find out more about the Lunch Lady.

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/sixteenthavenue.ps/NewsEvents/Documents/lunch%20lady%20flyer.pdf>

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If you wish to order you will need to order either online or call them.

SchoolCash

As in the last few years, we have been using



SchoolCash Online for online payments of things like field trips, agendas, and clothing, etc. We are encouraging all of our **new parents** to please register as soon as you can. Most of our programs this year will only be available by paying online, i.e. milk, pizza, field trips, etc.

Parents who register will receive notifications via email of student fees owed, from field trips to other events throughout the year. To start, please go to our website:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/sixteenthavenue.ps/Pages/default.aspx>

click on the **School Cash Online** button and select **Get Started Today** button and follow the prompts You will need your child's student number. Please call the school if you cannot find it.

To view a presentation about SchoolCash Online, go to: <http://kevgroup.com/http://kevgroup.com/>

Breakfast Club

Our famous Breakfast Club is starting up again this Monday, September 9.

Please note our breakfast club is not meant to feed every child in the school. We would ask that you try to feed your child before they come to school, but if not possible, our fantastic volunteers are here making nutritious breakfasts.



The 360kids program will be starting on Monday, September 9. It is open from 3:25-6:00 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for students in Grades 6-8. Registration forms can be picked up in the office or you can register online at:

<http://www.360kids.ca/programs-and-services/after-school-program/>

The 360kids After School Program (360ASP) provides students across York Region with activities that promote healthy and active lifestyles. Its objective is to encourage active and healthy lifestyles among kids in both mind and body. The program includes a variety of physical activities and sports, cooking classes, a daily healthy snack, guest speakers, some reading and homework help, along with self-esteem building activities.



ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT

Please remember to activate your **Edsby** account if you haven't already done so. For more information on Edsby, visit the Edsby website at <https://edsby.com/help/parents/>

As well as using Edsby for our attendance we will also be using Edsby for Teacher Interviews, posting newsletters, and communicating to you through Edsby. We will be sending out another invitation to activate your account and would appreciate your cooperation. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office for assistance. Thank you.

Dear Families,

York Region District School Board's **Elementary International and Indigenous Languages Program** is pleased to offer over 20 languages at 35 different sites from Tuesday to Friday evenings, and Saturday mornings. Our Board has one of the largest International and Indigenous Languages programs in the province with approximately 15,000 students who register each year.



Classes run 2.5 hours once a week for 30 weeks for Elementary SK-8 students who want to learn a new language or maintain their heritage language. The cost for the entire program is \$20.00. Program brochures will also be sent home from your child(ren)'s school.

We would like to share with you our program information:

- New student registration (New registrants must submit a copy of the Birth Certificate) begins at the language location during the specified registration hours listed on our brochure or on our webpage.
- Please note online registration through EDSBY is now closed so families must register in person.
- First day of classes begin at the language location during the specified dates and times listed on our brochure or on our webpage.
- Students pre-registered online through EDSBY are to attend the first day of classes at the language location during the specified dates and times listed on our brochure.
- Huron Heights Secondary School is a new language site opening for the 2019-2020 school year.

For elementary courses, registration times and locations, please see our [updated flyer](#).

For elementary program information, please visit:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/ConEd/Pages/International-Languages-Elementary-Program.aspx>

If you require any further information, please contact us at:

international.languages@yrdsb.ca

International and Indigenous Languages Program

September 2019 – Trustee Greetings for School Newsletters

Message from Our Trustee

I am so pleased to welcome all of our new and returning families to another school year. As your school board trustee, it is my role to advocate for quality public education in York Region, and to ensure that our students remain at the centre of all of our decision making. The [Board of Trustees](#) makes [policy](#) and [budget](#) decisions, and communicates with the public, among other [responsibilities](#).

We are also responsible for setting direction for the school board, through our [Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#). This plan sets out four priorities: Foster Well-Being and Mental Health, Build Collaborative Relationships, Champion Equity and Inclusivity, and Empower Ethical Leadership.

As we start the new school year, I want to highlight the importance of relationships. We want to build and maintain relationships with our families that are built on trust, respect and responsive communication. To support that, I will continue to keep you informed of our work and priorities, and I encourage you to [contact me](#) if you have any questions or concerns. You can also find the [message from the Chair of the Board](#) on the Board's website.

In addition, I invite you to share your feedback on our Board policies. Policies govern everything from field trips, school volunteers, equity and inclusive education, student discipline and much more, and we greatly value input from families on these important matters. We regularly post on our website the [policies that are under review](#) and available for comment as well as information about how to share your feedback. I hope you will take a look.

I know school staff are excited to welcome back students, and I look forward to meeting more of our families throughout the upcoming school year. I encourage you to build a relationship with the staff members and community at your school. There are so many [different ways to get involved](#) and support your child's education. I hope you have a great start to the school year and wish you a happy, safe and successful year ahead.

Cindy Liang

Trustee, Richmond Hill Wards 3, 5 and 6

June 2019

Sixteenth Avenue P.S.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Inclusivity		3 Day 1	4 Day 2	5 Day 3	6 Day 4	7
	8	9 Day 5	10 Day 1	11 Day 2	12 Day 3	13 Day 4
15	16 Day 5	17 Day 1	18 Day 2	19 Day 3	20 Day 4	21
22	23 Day 0 PA Day NO SCHOOL	24 Day 5	25 Day 1	26 Day 2 	27 Day 3	28
29	30 Day 4	1 Day 4	2 Day 4 Meet the Teacher BBQ	3 Day 4	4 Day 4	Scholastic Book Fair