

MAY 2018



The Stonebridge Story

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A Message from the Administration

April was filled with innovative learning and inquiry at Stonebridge as students across the grades participated in various exciting initiatives!

The Intermediate Bands participated in Music Alive while the Area Bands visited the school to share their musical talents with our appreciative audience. The musical theme continued through to Thursday, April 26th. After hours of dedicated practice and rehearsals, students were ready to perform to their families and the school community. Our Junior students performed to an excited audience at the **STEAM** night event and families celebrated the Arts with their children.

The Science Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics evening was a huge success. The event was well-attended and represented all the grades and divisions of the school. This was a “hands-on” inquiry-based initiative which promoted problem-solving and critical thinking as students solved problems at different stations. Staff and student volunteers facilitated the activity at each station, ensuring that all students had access to this experience. The stations in the gym allowed for hands-on learning, while the Gallery in the Grade 2 hallway showcased student work. The Habitat Diorama exhibit inspired conversation as students shared their work with their families, and explained the research process they had followed. Another exhibit on Eco-Friendly habitats captured student thinking and their personal visions of energy-efficient homes. Other exhibits showcased balance and stability through various models and structures that students had completed as part of their learning and innovative thinking.

The Learning Commons was a hub of activity as students explored CODING with Bee-bots and Robotics. Students applied 21st Century Learning skills as they travelled the hallways with their families and completed the Scavenger Hunt STEAM THEME. After placing all the ballots in the box. Students awaited eagerly as our evening culminated with the Draw for the Prizes, and lucky winners took home fun STEAM-THEMED Kits to explore at home. We thank all of our Staff and Volunteers who helped plan, facilitate and support this exciting event! We thank parents and families for attending and invite feedback through a link provided in this newsletter.

Various important activities will take place in May. The Junior/Intermediate Musical “Best of Both Worlds” will be on Wednesday May 9th and Thursday May 10th. Tickets are available to be purchased. During the week of May 14th, students will participate in Area Track & Field. Later in May, all Gr.3’s and Gr. 6’s will be writing the EQAO Provincial Assessment. The Gr. 3’s will write the week of May 22nd and Gr. 6’s the week of May 29th. Families are gently reminded to avoid scheduling appointments during this period. Information letters for families will be sent home in the coming days. Looking ahead at our exciting month, we welcome the promise of May!

Yvonne Chan & Padmini Padiachy

- **PRINCIPAL**
Yvonne Chan
- **VICE-PRINCIPAL**
Padmini Padiachy
- **SUPERINTENDENT**
Camille Logan
- **TRUSTEE**
Billy Pang

Secretaries

- Mrs. Fernandez
- Mrs. Lau
- Ms. Shum

School Day Schedule

8:45 am Entry

8:55-10:35
Learning Block

10:35 - 11:05
Recess

11:05- 12:45
Learning Block

12:45-1:45
Lunch

1:45-3:25
Learning Block

3:25
Dismissal

YRDSB Land Acknowledgement Statement-

NEWLY REVISED.....

...The Williams Treaties



The Land Acknowledgement Statement has been revised to include a new paragraph which helps us understand the importance of the TRUTH & RECONCILIATION CALLS TO ACTION—# 62 & 63

Treaties were negotiated at the beginning of relationships between the Indigenous peoples and early settlers.

Treaties are living agreements, which are recognized and respected today.

We would like to start by acknowledging that we are on the traditional territories of the Wendat, the Haudenosaunee, and the Anishinaabe peoples, whose presence here continues to this day.

We also would like to acknowledge this is the treaty lands of the First Nations of the Williams Treaty and thank them and other Indigenous peoples for sharing this land with us.

We would like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our closest community and partners in education.

We acknowledge this land and the people because the first step to reconciliation is recognizing the existence of Indigenous people.

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Calls to Action (number 62 - 63) speak to the significance of education as the key to reconciliation.

A shared understanding of how our collective past brought us to where we are today will help us walk together into a better future.

Stonebridge School Council News

**Stonebridge
School Council
Members
2017–2018**

The new board is:

Co-chairs

Garth Morris

Ingrid Lambie

Treasurer

Wendy Wei Sun

Secretaries

Micol Mihaila

Bilal Younus

Voting Members

Hermeet Parmar

Virginea Ho

Betty Lum

Anup Ravindranath

Pizza Days



THURSDAYS

**School
Council
Meeting
Monday,
May 7th
6:30 pm**

The Stonebridge School Council invites you to our 2nd Annual

SPRING FUN FAIR

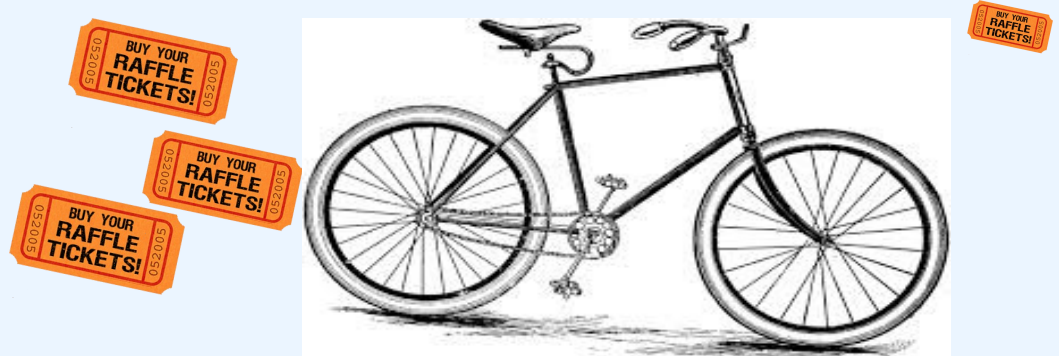
Monday, June 18th 2018

Details to follow

There will be a FUN FAIR RAFFLE



TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR A BIKE RAFFLE IN MAY. THE LUCKY RAFFLE WINNER WILL BE DRAWN AT THE FUN FAIR.



Stonebridge's Second annual Fun Fair will take place on **Monday, June 18th**. **School Council** is excited to host an evening of family fun. Parent Volunteers are needed for the Fun Fair. If you are able to volunteer a few hours to support this exciting event, please call Mrs. Fernandez in the school office.

We invite all parents/guardians to attend our next school council meeting on Monday May 7th at 6:30 pm.

As always, the Stonebridge School Council can be contacted via our email address at stonebridge.ps@sc.yrdsb.edu.on.ca

Thank you for your continued support,

The Stonebridge School Council

Stonebridge Events & News....

MUSICAL
"BEST OF BOTH WORLDS"
Wednesday May 9th & Thursday May 10th

The Junior / Intermediate Students present an enchanted musical
"Best of Both Worlds".

Two Evil Queens discover a way to go from Fairy Tale Land to a real life High School.

It is up to one character, an incidental character called The Woodsman, to save the day.

Join us on **Wednesday, May 9th** or **Thursday, May 10th** for an evening of fun for the whole family.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and are now on sale.

All ticket sales will cover the cost of costumes and microphone rentals.

Intermediate Division

Important Dates to Note.....

May 23rd to May 25th—Gr. 7 Trip to Kinark



June 20th to June 22nd—Gr. 8 Trip to Ottawa



June 27th— Grade 8 Graduation

Pierre Elliot Trudeau H.S. 6:00pm—8:00 pm



Kindergarten Registration

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN — THURSDAY, MAY 24TH 6.30 PM

This session is for all new Junior Kindergarten Students and their families.

We look forward to meeting you and hope to see you there!!



Student Transportation Information

2018—2019

Please be aware of the following :-

Student Transportation Services of York Region (STSYR) provides transportation service in accordance with the policies of its member School Boards, the York Region District School Board (YRDSB) and the York Catholic District School Board (YCDSB)

Students may be eligible for transportation if their primary address is located within their home school attendance area and is further than the following distances:

Grades JK to Gr. 3 1.2 km's

Grades 4 to 8 1.6 km's

Transportation: Students may be transported in exceptional circumstances within a school Non-Transportation Zone. This is an area designated by Board policy as ineligible for school vehicle transportation. This may include service for students with special needs and students with documented medical conditions from a certified medical practitioner.

FULL STEAM AHEAD...



Skills applied during inquiry & exploration of S T E A M Activities involve.....

- Problem Solving** **Creative Expression** **Critical Inquiry**
- Communication** **Growth Mindset** **Collaboration**
- Resilience** **Perseverance** **Initiative** **Curiosity**

WE INVITE YOUR FEEDBACK.....PLEASE USE THIS Hyperlink below
for your responses.

<https://goo.gl/forms/Nl9TTicbLJiDa1hR2>

The school team would like your feedback on the S T E A M event, what you found interesting/ different. How will you extend this learning and support your child with the S T E A M Activities and approaches? *We look forward to hearing from you and thank you for taking time to complete*

Building Resiliency & Well-Being



Parent Feedback

resilient well rounded contentment best self self-advocacy relaxing and calm
togetherness self-satisfaction relationships satisfaction healthiness active balanced lifestyle
helpful peace of mind independent healthy and happy
self esteem social high self esteem physical healthy confidence! **healthy** whole person
emotional balance medication happiness being content **happiness** peace health
confidence civilized wealthy **happiness** physical healthness
coping strategies happy, comfortable **happiness** well mannered bounce back
getting along **happiness** mind and body as one
mental satisfaction **be positive** mental health
healthy, comfortable being healthy perfection positive well being emotional healthy
self-sufficient strong relationships mentally healthy confidence independence self-satisfied

May 2018

Sun

Mon
















Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	<p>30  Day 1</p>	<p>1  Day 2</p>	<p>2  Day 3 Firefighter Visit Gr. 4</p>	<p>3  Day 4</p>	<p>4 Day 5</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>7  Staff Meeting School Council—6:30 Day 1</p>	<p>8  Fit Spirit 5Km Run-Downsview Park Day 2</p>	<p>9  Mr. Greek Lunch Day 3</p>	<p>10   Day 4</p>	<p>11 Day 5</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14  Mr. Sub Lunch Day 1</p>	<p>15  Day 2</p>	<p>16  Mr. Greek Lunch Day 3</p>	<p>17   Day 4</p>	<p>18 Day 5</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21 Holiday Victoria Day No School</p>	<p>22  Day 1 EQAO-GR. 3</p>	<p>23  Mr. Greek Lunch Day 2 Gr. 7 TRIP EQAO-GR. 3</p>	<p>24  Day 3  Welcome to Kindergarten 6:30 pm Gr. 7 TRIP EQAO-GR. 3</p>	<p>25 Day 4 Gr. 7 TRIP EQAO-GR. 3</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27</p>	<p>28  Mr. Sub Lunch Day 5 EQAO-GR. 6</p>	<p>29  Day 1</p>	<p>30  Mr. Greek Lunch Day 2 EQAO-GR. 6</p>	<p>31  Day 3 EQAO-GR. 6</p>	<p>1 Day 4 EQAO-GR. 6</p>	<p>2</p>

CITY OF MARKHAM
Engineering Department, Traffic

February 28, 2018

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Re: Centreline Flexible Sign Program in School Zones

The City of Markham Engineering Department, Traffic will be implementing Centreline Flexible Sign Program at 24 School Zones across the City in spring 2018 (see Attachment "A" for locations).

Traffic safety in school zones has become a growing concern in communities throughout the City, specifically with respect to vehicle speeds and pedestrian safety. The City has implemented several measures within school zones, including 40 km/h speed limits, parking-stopping restrictions, crossing guard services, crosswalk enhancements and deployment of speed radar display boards to enhance safety of pedestrians. In addition to these measures, we continued interest in exploring other appropriate measures, such as subject measure to slow down traffic through school zones.

The centreline flexible sign is aimed at reducing the speed of vehicles on street where pedestrian safety is ongoing concerns. The flexible signs are installed on the centreline of the road, creating a narrowing effect of the driving lane (see Attachment "A"), thereby giving drivers a perception that they need to slow down. The benefits of a centreline flexible sign are; lower capital and operating costs compared to traditional physical traffic calming measures, radar speed display boards and photo radar technology and more effective at slowing speeds compared to speed display board.

Traffic staff will collect speed data before the end of the school year to determine the effectiveness for future implementation in other school zones where operating speeds are deemed to be problematic, jeopardize traffic safety during school start/dismissal period.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please call the Contact Centre at **905-477-5530**, or email customerservice@markham.ca

Sincerely,

Dan Ahir
Engineering Technologist — Engineering Department, Traffic

Attachment A
SCHOOL ZONE FLEXIBLE SIGN LOCATIONS

<u>SCHOOL NAME</u>	<u>STREET NAME</u>	<u>WARD #</u>
Henderson Public School	Henderson Avenue	1
Woodland Public School	Royal Orchard Blvd	
Willowbrook Public School	Willowbrook Road	
St. Justin Martyr Catholic Elementary School	Hollingham Road	2
Ashton Meadows Public School	Calvert Road	
Sir Wilfred Laurier Public School	Hazelton Avenue	
Unionville Meadows Public School	South Unionville Avenue	3
William Berczy Public School	Carlton Road	
Central Park Public School	Central Park Drive	
Markham District High School	Church Street	4
Reesor Park Public School	Wootten Way North	
Wismer Public School	Mingay Avenue	
St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School	Cornell Centre Blvd.	5
Greensborough Public school	Alfred Paterson Drive	
Cornell Village Public School	Country Glen Road	
Castlemore Public School & All Saints Catholic School	Castlemore Avenue	6
Stonebridge Public School	Stonebridge Drive	
Donald Cousens Public School	Mingay Avenue	
Sir Richard W. Scott Catholic Elementary School	Roxbury Street	7
Cedarwood Public School	Elson Street	
Legacy Public School	Russell Jarvis Drive & Rouge Bank Drive	
Randall Public School	Randall Avenue	8
Highgate Public School	Highgate Drive	
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Elementary School	Highglen Avenue	

City of Markham

CENTRELINE FLEXIBLE SIGNS - TYPICAL LAYOUT

40

Two-way streets with a width between 6.0m and 8.5m

30m to A6rn

Two-way streets with a width greater than 8.5m

***For streets with frequent on-street parking, delineators on each side may not be required**

**City of Markham • 101 Town Centre Boulevard,
Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3 Website: www.markham.ca '
Tel: 905-477-5530 ' Fax. • 905-479-7767**



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
2018 SUMMER INSTITUTE

YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD Summer Institute

Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8?

[Summer Institute](#) offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum.

The program runs for six weeks during July and August. It is offered at 11 school sites around York Region.

For more information on dates, programs and locations, please visit the [Summer Institute](#) page on www.yrdsb.ca.

Registration opens March 7. Families can now register online, as well as in person or by mail.

Base Registration Weekly Fees:

York Region District School Board students:

\$105 (4 day weeks) \$120 (5 day weeks)

Non- York Region District School Board students:

\$130 (4 day weeks) \$155 (5 day weeks)

Inclement Weather—School Bus Cancellation



Student Transportation Services of York Region
320 Bloomington Road West
Aurora, Ontario L4G 0M1
905-713-2535
FAX: 905-713-2533
Web site: www.schoolbuscity.com

School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following:

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.
- School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather may not be affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM
1540 AM	1580 AM	88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM
94.9 FM	95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM
101.1 FM	102.1 FM	104.5 FM	100.7 FM	106.9	107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at School Bus City and by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on twitter.