

END OF SCHOOL  
YEAR 2020



# The Stonebridge Story

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## A Message from the Administration

Dear families 敬愛的石橋學校的家長們,

This year we have to say fond farewells to staff members as they go off to pursue other opportunities:

We say farewell to Mr. Hassanali who will be moving to Barbara Reid PS next year, Ms. Holmshaw who will be moving to Reesor Park PS, Ms. Skillen who will be moving to Stonehaven PS, Ms. Ciampa is moving to a new school, and Mr. Neve who will be teaching at Ballantrae PS next year.

今年我們要向一些將離開另尋高就的教職人員說珍重再見:

Mr. Hassanali 老師會明年轉到Barbara Reid 小學, Ms. Holmshaw 老師會轉到Reesor Park 小學, Ms. Skillen老師會轉到Stonehaven 小學, Ms. Ciampa 老師會明年轉到另一所小學和 Mr. Neve 老師會到Ballantrae 小學教學。

Some of our Long Term Occasional staff have finished up their year with us including our DECE Ms. Imran (working with Ms. Komar in Kindergarten), Ms. Wickramaratne (Grade 7/8), Mr. Grewal (ESL and Prep Coverage), Mr. Liu (Grade 6), Ms. Alshawa (Grade 4), Ms. Cooper (Grade 4), Ms. Morse (Primary Prep), Mr. Patel (CYW), Ms. Wong (in our office), and Ms. Sahib (Primary Student Support Centre). We wish them all the best in their new positions next year.

另外我們的長期合約教職人員會今年約滿離職, 包括特約幼兒教育工作員Ms. Imran 老師 (和Komar 幼兒園老師合作), Ms. Wickramaratne 老師 (七八年級班), Mr. Grewal 老師 (英語第二語言教學和代課), Mr. Liu 老師 (六年級班), Ms. Alshawa 老師 (四年級班), Ms. Cooper 老師 (四年級班), Ms. Morse 老師 (低年級班代課), Mr. Patel 老師 (青少年教育), Ms. Wong 女士 (辦公室) 和 Ms. Sahib 老師 (低年級學生支援中心)。我們祝願他們在前程錦繡。

Ms. Lung (Grade 8) will continue as a member of our Intermediate team, and Ms. Welshman (Kindergarten) will continue working with Ms. Yu for the beginning of the school year. Ms. Ko and Ms. Lam are returning to Stonebridge next year. We are also looking forward to having Ms. Shum back as part of our office team!

Ms. Lung 老師 (八年級) 會是我們高年級隊的成員, Ms. Welshman 老師 (幼兒園) 會和 Ms. Yu 老師在新學年開始一起繼續合作。Ms. Ko 老師和 Ms. Lam 老師會在新學年回來石橋。我們亦期待Ms. Shum 女士回來辦公室隊伍。

Mr. Bansal and I need to acknowledge the hard work of the staff this past year. We thank them for their commitment to our students during the distance learning we engaged with from March until the end of the school year with their care for our students well-being during these challenging times. Please join us in saying our heartfelt THANKS to them!

Bansal副校長和我肯定要趁此表揚我們教職人員在這過去一年的共同努力。我們感謝, 當謠距教學從三月到這學年完期間, 他們的投入為學生們的盡責, 關注學生們在這段具挑戰性的時間的身心健康。請跟我們一起向他們說句衷心的“感謝”!

We know that there are many unknowns about September as our Minister of Education shared a plan for school reopenings in September on June 19th. Please continue to check your e-mail and EDSBY for communication from our school board and us, along with Twitter and the YRDSB website for updates.

我們知道九月份的情況仍然有很多未知之數, 儘管六月十九日我們的教育部長跟我們分享了九月份學校重開的計劃。請繼續查看您的電郵和亞士比Edsby 以保持和教育局和我們的溝通, 跟隨推特和約克區教育局的網站有關所有更新信息。

Last but not least, we want to wish all of our graduates all the best as they move on to Grade 9. We can't wait to celebrate this achievement with you once we are able to do so.

最后但衷心地, 我們祝願我們所有的畢業生在升讀九年級一切美滿順利。我們熱切期待在未來可能時候, 跟您們一起慶賀您們的成就。

Have a great summer. Can't wait for September 8th!

我們祝願大家有個美好的夏季! 真的期待九月八日快點來臨!

Sumir副校長 and Kevin校長

### 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

# International and Indigenous Languages Fall Registration

## Elementary School Programs

Students in Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8 can learn to read, write and speak a new language or maintain their heritage language. More than 20 different language courses are available. Registration for the 2020-2021 school year will begin in early July 2020. For locations, times and dates, please see the list of [Elementary courses](#).

Research shows that speaking more than one language has many cognitive benefits and may:

- improve how the brain functions such as improving memory and concentration
- enhance decision-making and multi-tasking skills
- open future employment opportunities

Please check our [website](#) in July for the most up to date information on registration and program delivery. Due to space limitations, registration will take place on a first come first served basis.

## Secondary School Credit Programs

The Credit International and Indigenous Languages program, offering 15 different languages, is available to students from Grades 9 to 12. Registration is now open for the [upcoming 2020-2021 school course offerings](#), and closes on September 9, 2020.

Did you know there are many benefits to taking credit language courses? Students can take one International Languages Course as a Group 1- Compulsory or as an Elective Credit towards their Ontario Secondary Diploma. Students can also earn up to three credits towards graduation. If students successfully complete the Level D - University course, it can be used as one of their top six (6) marks for post-secondary entry.

Please visit our [website](#) for more information about our courses, program delivery and registration information.

## For More Information

Thank you for your interest in our programs. Please do not hesitate to e-mail us if you have any questions

[international.languages@yrdsb.ca](mailto:international.languages@yrdsb.ca)

## Summer Learning Programs Available

While schools remain closed, we continue to offer credit and non-credit summer school program opportunities for elementary and secondary students.

- [Elementary Summer School](#) (Grades 6-8) ·
- [Summer School e-Learning](#) (Secondary credit courses)
- [Secondary Summer School](#) (Acceleration courses, Credit Recovery/Reinforcement)

All programs will be offered in a remote learning environment with a mix of synchronous (real-time) and asynchronous learning. YRDSB continues to follow direction from the Ministry of Education and public health authorities to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. If there are any changes to our program delivery model, we will communicate those changes.

## Adult Programs Available

We are still offering adult programs through distance learning. Improve your skills at home. Courses available include:

- [Adult Literacy and Basic Skills](#)
- [English as a Second Language](#)
- [Citizenship Classes](#)
- [Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada](#)

For more information about school closures and resources for families, including information on summer learning programs during COVID-19, please visit [www.yrdsb.ca/covid19](http://www.yrdsb.ca/covid19) and follow us on Twitter @YRDSB.

## Summer Institute Programs Cancelled

To help reduce the spread of COVID-19, York Region District School Board is cancelling Summer Institute programming this summer. This is in line with public health guidelines. Summer Institute was scheduled to run July 6 - August 14.

Families who are already registered for the program are being notified and full refunds will be processed for families who have paid. Processing refunds may take some time and we are asking families to be patient.

Staff who were scheduled to work at Summer Institutes will no longer be required. If you have questions, please reach out to your Regional Coordinator.

This applies to Summer Institute only. Other summer programs, such as summer school. For more information:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/summer/Pages/Grade-7-8-Summer-School.aspx>

## Online Summer Program/Camp Opportunities for Children and Youth

With the cancellation of many in-person programs and camps this summer, we are happy to provide you with a list of on-line opportunities for your children and youth. These are being provided by several of our YRDSB community partner organizations. Please right click on the link below to find a list of summer programs organized by category and age group.

[Summer 2020 Online Program Opportunities for Children, Youth and Families](#)

For information that you might require throughout the summer months, about community resources, financial benefits, food programs and mental health supports, please take the [Novel Coronavirus Update](#) link on the YRDSB website to access additional and up to date information.

Please check these links regularly as we will be making weekly updates to available programs and resources. For more information, you can also reach our department by emailing [iscs@yrdsb.ca](mailto:iscs@yrdsb.ca)

We wish all of you a safe and healthy summer.

Sincerely,

Our Inclusive School and Community Services, Community and Partnership Developer Team.

## Active School Travel

Just a reminder that Stonebridge P.S. will be continuing to participate in the Active School Travel Pilot project in the upcoming school year, 2020/2019. This project is a partnership program between York Region District School Board and York Catholic District School Board's Active School Travel Team, City of Markham and York Region. It is pilot project made possible through financial support from Green Communities Canada and the Government of Ontario.

The purpose of the project is to implement Active School Travel programs and tools to:










- promote walking/cycling/scootering and riding the bus to school
- reduce traffic congestion on our school site and in the neighbourhood
- improve students physical and mental health
- increase social development and academic performance and
- reduce air pollution and greenhouse gases

**Summer** is a great opportunity for families to walk or cycle in the neighbourhood. It helps you and your family to become familiar with your neighbourhood, as well as teach your children the rules of the road and how to practice safe walking/cycling and road skills. STAY SAFE, STAY WELL, STAY ACTIVE! Come September let's choose to walk, cycle or ride the bus to school. Leave your cars at home!





## School Zone Tools

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| Wayfinding Signage *                            | Distance points around school to provide students and families with an indication of how long the journey to school is by walking or cycling. They are also great meeting spots for families who can walk to school together and good student drop off and pick up points for parents. |    |
| Sidewalk Stencils                               | Painted games for student and families to participate in as they walk to and from school. Typically within 500 m of school. Provides excitement and activity along the journey to and from school  |    |
| No stopping signs on streets adjacent to school | No stopping allowed during the specified times, including to pick-up or drop-off of children   |     |
| No parking                                      | No parking allowed at the specified times  |    |
| Supervised Crossing                             | Supervised Crossing where families should cross. Obey the crossing guard.  |   |
| School Zone                                     | You are approaching a school. Lower your speed and be more aware for students crossing the street  |   |
| Ladder crosswalks                               | enhances visibility of pedestrian crossings  |   |
| No Stopping "red" zone                          |  |  |
| School Zone pavement markings                   | Supplemental to the existing "School Zone" signs, these markings increase driver awareness that they are entering a school zone and need to modify their speeding and be mindful of the presence of students   |  |

# Online Kindergarten Registration for 2020-2021

## Kindergarten registration for the 2020-2021 school year is now open.

This registration is for Kindergarten classes beginning September 2020, ending June 2021.

Please visit the link below for more information:

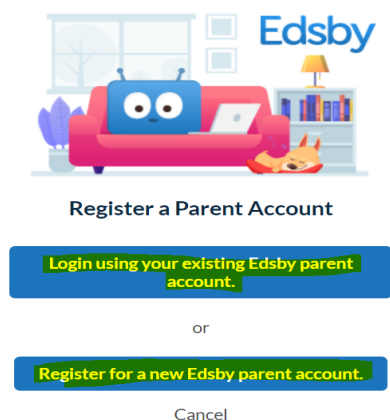
<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/Repository/NewsEvents/Pages/BoardNews/Online-Kindergarten-Registration.aspx>

**Note:** If you already have an Edsby account, please login with your existing username and password in order to link your Kindergarten child with your existing account. (Step 1)

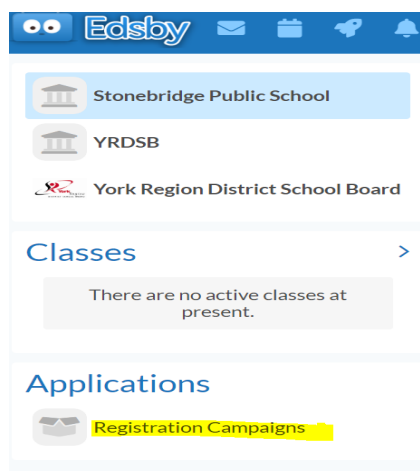
Once you are logged in, to register a new student for Kindergarten, go to “Registration Campaigns” under “Applications” on the left side of the welcome page. (Step 2)

If you need assistance, please email to: [stonebridge.ps@yrdsb.ca](mailto:stonebridge.ps@yrdsb.ca)

Step 1:



Step 2:



## Change of Address

If you're moving or changing your phone number, please email your new information to our head secretary (Sharon Fernandez) ASAP @ [sharon.fernandez@yrdsb.ca](mailto:sharon.fernandez@yrdsb.ca).