

Spartan Speaks - Stouffville District Secondary School

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Terry Fox Fun

The 14th annual SDSS run will be held on Wednesday, October 2, in period 2! This great annual event raises funds for cancer research and is a national event.

Period 2 classes will be collecting money, and competing for prizes for the highest fundraising total per class and per individual. Student council will fund a Pizza Lunch prize for the class with the most money raised! Prizes for top fundraisers include T-shirts and other prizes!

Students can fundraise online or in their Period 2 class:

<http://www.terryfox.ca/StouffvilleDHSSStouffville>

Donations of \$20 or more will provide you with a tax receipt, but please ensure all details are clearly completed on the pledge form to get your receipt. Please help us support this great cause.

Wind Symphony invites you...

SDSS Wind Symphony will be performing at the Markham Fair on Thursday October 3rd from 12:00pm-1:00pm at the entertainment tent. Stop by and enjoy the beautiful music played by this talented group of students.

Senior Boys Rugby

The Senior Boys 7s Rugby team got their season off to a good start on Thursday of this week. After opening with a loss to Father Bressani they rebounded to beat both Thornlea and Denison. The boys will be practicing next Tuesday morning and Wednesday at Lunch. The games next Thursday are in the afternoon so they will be out of class about the middle of period and 2 and return right at the end of the school day.

College and University Fair

Hello Spartans! SDSS is hosting a College and University Fair on October 10th. This is your opportunity to hear from and speak with representatives from 20 different universities and 13 colleges.

The evening will start at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria with an over-all presentation, followed by individual university and college presentations. The Guidance Department encourages all grade 11 and 12 students to attend, but all students are welcome to come. If you have any questions please see the Guidance Department.

So Spartans....Come out on October 10th at 6:00 p.m. to help navigate your post-secondary options.

Take Our Kids to Work

Take our kids to work day (TOKTW) is a national initiative to provide the opportunity for all grade 9 students to OBSERVE a work environment for a full day. Across Canada TOKTW Day will be on November 6, 2019. The expectation is that all of our grade 9 students will participate in this wonderful career oriented activity. Please be aware that there are no regularly scheduled Grade 9 classes for that day. More information and consent forms will be sent home on Monday September 30, 2019.

Student Council Halloween Costume Contest

Student Council will be hosting its annual Halloween Costume Contest on Thursday, October 31.

Prizes will be awarded in several categories, including Most Original Costume, Group Costume, and more!

Join in the spirit of the season and find something awesome, frightening, or funny to wear - you can even get your picture taken for the year book!

Please remember that school dress code rules still apply, so no masks, no weapons, no cultural appropriation, and no promotion of offensive ideas.

Exciting Updates from the SDSS Library Learning Commons (LLC)

SDSS LLC Friday Film Series

Students were invited to join us in the LLC at lunch today for the first film in our Friday Film Series. The National Film Board's 'Baggage' is a film about teens new to Canada and their transition to High School.

Thank you to all students for making our First Friday Film such a success.

Join us next month for the next Friday Film!

Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library Teen Services Rep

We hosted the Teen Services Rep from the Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library twice this month. The Rep was here to showcase the Teen offerings and services available to our students at the WSPL.

Students were able to get an application form to obtain a Library card which will prove useful as we collaborate with them to ensure students have access to as many different resources and materials as possible.

Next visits: October 8 & Tuesday November 5

Online Resources

An overview of what is available on our webpage. Our webpage can be found on the SDSS website; click on the Library tab.

Sora (and the Sora App for personal devices)- eBooks for kids, teens, ELLs and students with accommodations

MLA8 Resources - MLA8 Guide and Checklist (for assessment)

APA Resources - APA Guide and Checklist (for assessment)

Book Request - Google form online and hard copies in the LLC

The LLC this month

Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept 15-Oct 15)

The International Week of the Deaf (Sept 23-27)

SDSS LLC Student Pass

Students must have a pass to be granted entry to the Library Learning Commons during class. They will get this pass from their teacher if they deem a visit to the LLC necessary.

"Golden Student of the Month" Nominations

The "Golden Student of the Month" is selected by nomination. It is to honor students who volunteer within our community for non-for-profit organizations. This award is sponsored by McDonalds Canada. Nomination forms are available in the Guidance Office. Please submit your nominations today.

MOBYSS - Youth Walk-in Clinic

Services are free for youth between the ages of 12-25. Includes health care from a Nurse Practitioner, specialized youth mental health worker, and peer support specialist. Confidential medical, sexual and mental health services. MOBYSS will be available bi-weekly starting on Thursday September 26th at Stouffville District Secondary School parking lot from 1:00pm-4:00pm. Or you may call 289-879-2376 or mobyss.ca

Please check out the following web sites for current Board and school information:

- 1) York Region District School Board - www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca
- 2) Stouffville District Secondary School - <http://www.stouffvilledistrict.ss.yrdsb.edu.on.ca/>

SDSS Upcoming Events – Sep/Oct 2019

MONDAY 30	TUESDAY 1	WEDNESDAY 2	THURSDAY 3	FRIDAY 4
♦ Rosh Hashanah	♦ Rosh Hashanah	Terry Fox Run (Period 2)	Music Concert Markham Fair 11:00am-3:30pm	
MONDAY 7	TUESDAY 8	WEDNESDAY 9	THURSDAY 10	FRIDAY 11
	WS Library Rep is here	♦ Yom Kippur	Interim Reports College/University Night 6:00pm-7:00pm	

