

Sutton District High School

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To the Parents/Guardians of «First_Name» «Last_Name»

INFORMATION ITEMS

This e-bulletin contains important school information and a summary of your student's attendance. If you have any comments or feedback, please email Anton Skerritt, at anton.skerritt@yrdsb.ca

Student of the Week:

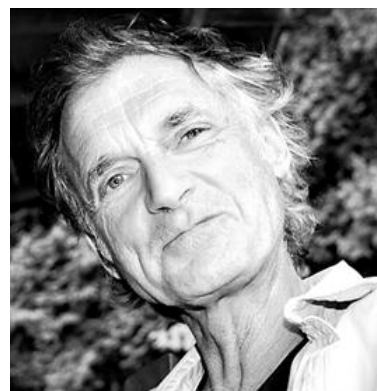
Congratulations to Abby Jerome for being chosen as this week's "Student of the Week". Well done!

Paul Rothfels – Former Teacher at Sutton DHS

Paul Rothfels December 30, 1946 - February 9, 2017 Paul died suddenly of a heart attack at his home on February 9, 2017 at the age of 70.

Paul made major contributions to the betterment of his community. was on the first board of Georgina Trades Training Inc. (GTTI). He was a very popular shop teacher at SDHS, remembered vividly by his students for the positive impact he had on their lives, both then and on-going.

A Gathering in his memory will be held in the Udora Community Hall on March 4, from 2 - 4. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to one of his favourite charities: Ontario Nature, EcoJustice Canada, Earthroots Fund, and the David Suzuki Foundation.



Trustee's Greeting

With spring approaching and the hours of daylight increasing, now is a good time to enjoy the outdoors and our natural environment. Did you know that our Board has five [outdoor education centres](#), and students have opportunities to visit them and other outdoor learning spaces throughout their schooling? This is part of our commitment to giving students an opportunity to learn in and about the natural world. This learning supports students in gaining a deeper appreciation for nature and the importance of environmental sustainability.

"Modelling continuous environmental sustainability" is one of the goals outlined in our [Board of Trustees' Multi-Year Plan](#). We believe that we all have a role to play in reducing waste and protecting our environment. Our students, staff members and families continue to show leadership when it comes to supporting student learning and initiatives to reduce our ecological footprint.

Spending time outside as a family also provides a great opportunity to support and enhance your child's learning outside of school. Whether visiting a park or museum, reading with your child in your home language or asking questions about their day at school - know that there are many ways you can support their education and that you are making a difference.

I hope you all have a happy and safe March Break and enjoy the warmer weather ahead.

Information about the Ontario Secondary Literacy Test

This year's Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) will be written on **Thursday, March 30th, 2017**. The test will be written in the morning in two 75 minute sessions, with a 15-minute break in between booklets. The school day has been adjusted so that only students who are writing the test are in the building during the morning. The modified timetable then allows for every student to

attend all four shortened periods in the afternoon. The modified timetable will be shared next month.

All students writing this year's OSSLT will attend an orientation session in the lecture theatre during period 3 on February 28th, or March 1st (depending on which class they are in). This orientation session will introduce all students writing this year to the format of the test, the requirements of the test, and some tips for success in writing the test. Each student will be given an orientation booklet to refer to, which also includes information on how to access practice materials on-line at www.eqao.com. Students requiring accommodations for the OSSLT are continuing to work with the Special Education department to ensure that these are implemented on the day of the test.

In preparation for the literacy test, all Grade 9 and 10 courses have been incorporating the explicit teaching and use of OSSLT tasks and strategies into the curriculum so that all students have various opportunities to practice each of the tasks in a variety of subject areas.

In addition, all students who are writing the OSSLT this year are invited to attend a series of Lunch n' Learns in room 325 to practice the various tasks that they will see during this year's literacy test. During each of the sessions, students will complete one OSSLT task and self-assess the task using the scoring tools that are appropriate to each task. The schedule of these sessions is listed below:

March 6 th	March 7 th	March 8 th	March 9 th	March 10 th
Reading: Graphic Text	Writing: Multiple Choice	Reading: Literary Text	Writing: News Report	Reading: Real-Life Narrative
March 20 th	March 21 st	March 22 nd	March 23 rd	March 24 th
Writing: Short Answer	Reading: Information Paragraph	Writing: Series of Paragraphs	Reading: News Report	Long Writing Tasks (revisit)
March 27 th	March 28 th	March 29 th	March 30 th	
Reading Tasks (revisit)	Open Forum *	Open Forum *	OSSLT (a.m.) Modified School Day	

* assistance for tasks on an individualized basis (missed sessions, extra practice, reviewing strategies, etc.)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lisa Schneppenheim at lisa.schneppenheim@yrdsb.ca.

Thank you,

Lisa Schneppenheim

NON-BOARD GRADUATION ACTIVITIES: SAFETY ADVISORY

Every year, there are individuals/businesses that seek to recruit students for ticketed trips or parties at local or international destinations. The York Region District School Board and Sutton District High School, do **not** support, promote or endorse any form of involvement in these activities. This advisory is being shared in the interest of students' personal safety.

Allergies/Medical Conditions

There are students and staff members in our school who have life-threatening allergies to nuts and other allergens. If they smell or come into contact with these foods, they may have an anaphylactic reaction.

To help create an allergen-safe environment, do not bring nut or nut products (especially peanut products), or sprays with odour (such as perfume or colognes) to school.

If your child has a serious or life-threatening allergy or medical condition, let the school know immediately and speak to the school office about completing the appropriate medical forms. There are students in our school who have a life-threatening allergy to nuts and other allergens. If they smell or come into contact with these foods, they may have an anaphylactic reaction.

We request that staff and students refrain from bringing peanut products into the building. Peanut products are not sold in our school vending machines or cafeteria. Please inform the school, if your son or daughter has any allergies. Care and caution must be used when eating outside the cafeteria. Additional items may be restricted based on information that we receive throughout the year.

Many students and staff members are highly sensitive to perfumes, colognes, aftershaves and other scented products. By choosing to use unscented personal care products, we can make Sutton District High School a better place for all of us to learn and work.

[The Charitable Trust of the Canadian Federation of University Women Aurora/Newmarket Inc.](#)

The CFUW members are dedicated to helping young people reach their education goals. As a result, four 1000.00 award will be presented to students graduating from the following schools:

Aurora High School	Dr. GW Williams Secondary School
King City Secondary School	Dr. John M. Denison
Newmarket High School	Huron Heights SS
Keswick H.S.	Sir William Mulock SS
Sutton DHS	Stouffville D.S.S.

One applicant per school will be accepted. Please see below link for details. Interested applicants should submit application to Guidance by April 28, 2017.



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[What is MOBYSS?](#)

- Confidential, non-judgmental space for youth aged 12 – 25
- Operated by Canadian Mental Health Association YR
- Walk-in format
- Health cards not required
- Staff include: Nurse Practitioner, Youth Mental Health Worker, Peer Support Specialist
- Services reflect a holistic approach to healthcare: primary care and mental health support, including:
 - Assessment, diagnosis and treatment of acute illnesses (such as a sore throat or bladder infection)
 - Preventative health care (such as yearly health exams or cervical screening)
 - Lab testing
 - Medical referrals including video access to specialists through the Ontario Telemedicine Network
 - Mental health support including counseling, skills building, referrals and peer support
 - Health education and prevention strategies, including harm reduction



YRDSB MOBYSS
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For information specific to the service provided, please reference:

Glen Gifford, Program Manager, ggifford@cmha-yr.on.ca. Or call 905-841-3977 ext 2222.

[Program Schedule for MOBYSS](#)

[The next visit to our school will be on Thursday March 23](#)

[6th Annual DIVA BALL](#)

Choose from over 100 FREE new and gently used dresses suitable for graduation or prom. Lots of shoes and accessories too!

- March 9th - 6:00-8:30PM at Keswick High School



Finalized School Flyer
Invite To Send.pdf

Eco Tip

March is Monitors-Off Month

Did you know that computer monitors average 30 watts when they are turned on?

If a monitor is on all day, it would use 720 watt-hours. That's over 26kw-h each year. Even when "sleeping" or "hibernating", energy efficient monitors average 2 watts. If a monitor is turned off instead of sleeping for twelve hours each day, it would save almost 9KW-h each year.

While that may only save \$ 1.30 a year, if everyone turned off all their monitors when not in use, we would greatly decrease energy consumption.

Please turn off computer monitors when not in use to reduce your eco-footprint!

Greece Student Trip 2018

We have started planning our next Europe Trip for November 2018 and our destination will be Greece. Any interested students should come and see Ms. Kontozis and if parents have any questions please contact Ms. Kontozis directly through her email at elena.kontozis@yrdsb.ca. We will be having a parent meeting within the next few weeks to discuss all the details. We have many fundraising opportunities for our students to help alleviate some of the cost. This is a fantastic opportunity for your son/daughter to experience international travel.

SDHS Café Card

For your convenience, we are now offering "CAFÉ CASH CARDS"! No need to worry about sending money for lunch any longer! Simply go on <https://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/> and you can purchase a \$25.00 card with a credit or debit card. Once purchased, cards can be picked up in the main office. If you prefer to pay by cash, have your son or daughter come to the main office to purchase and receive the card.

Our cafeteria prepares a variety of healthy choices daily including our sub sandwich shop, salad bar, a Café special and homemade soup. Please note that lost/stolen cards are non refundable.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the main office.

School Council

Come out and join our School Council. The SDHS School Council last meeting for this school year is May 1, 2017 at 7 p.m. in the school library on the following date:

Upcoming Events

Feb. 27	Sign off sheet for course selections with parent signature due in homeroom
March 2	Diva Ball – 6:00 – 8:30
March 9	Student Achievement Awards Ceremony
March 13-17	March Break
March 21	Immunization Clinic at SDHS
March 23	Interim Reports distributed in Homerooms
March 30	Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test
March 30	Parent's Night 5:30 – 7:30

Reporting a Student Absence

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are asked to call the Attendance Office at 722-3267 (accessible 24 hours daily) on the morning of each day their child will be absent or write a note verifying the absence.


Community Volunteers Hours

Students are now required to submit the form for Community Volunteer Hours PRIOR to volunteering. The students will need to get pre-approval from a Guidance Counsellor and have the form returned to them BEFORE they volunteer. This will require a minimum one-week turnaround time. Please ensure that you follow these procedures so that you can get credit for all of your Community Volunteer Hours. **Holiday season is a great time to acquire some volunteer hours.**

Students are reminded that any hours obtained over the summer should be handed into the Guidance office.

As a graduation requirement, students are required to complete 40 hours of community volunteer hours. It is recommended that students complete these hours in grades 9, 10 and 11. «First_Name» «Last_Name» has completed «Community_Servi» hours of community volunteer hours. Community volunteer hour forms can be found in the Guidance Office. Please be advised the completed forms are processed periodically, the hours submitted to the office may not appear for up to four weeks. Please contact the Guidance Office to follow up should community service hours not appear after that time.

Community Events:

Would you like upgrade your skills in English, Math or Computers? Are you seeking for employment? Applying for College, second career or apprenticeships? Free courses are being offered at no cost. Please see link for further information.  [i-WinComputer-Skills-Training.pdf](#)

**Late Bus Pass Schedule
Monday - Thursday - Pefferlaw
Tuesday and Thursday - Keswick
No late buses on Fridays**

Attendance Report

Please review the following attendance report. The report includes all lates and absences for your son/daughter for the week of February 24-March 2, 2017 inclusive.

The attendance report below contains information for all courses attended. Classes with zero lates and zero absences may not appear on the report.

Please note: the midterm and final report card is the official document for reporting attendance. Students and/or their parents can pick up a detailed attendance report from the Attendance Office.

Course	Period	Teacher	Total Absences	Total Lates
«Course_A»	«Period_A»	«Teacher_Last_A»	«Absence_A»	«Lates_A»
«Course_B»	«Period_B»	«Teacher_Last_B»	«Absence_B»	«Lates_B»
«Course_C»	«Period_C»	«Teacher_Last_C»	«Absence_C»	«Lates_C»

«Course_D»	«Period_D»	«Teacher_Last_D»	«Absence_D»	«Lates_D»
Totals			«Total_Abs»	«Total_Lates»

SUTTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL LINKS

Sutton District High School Website

<http://www.suttondistrict.hs.yrdsb.edu.on.ca>

York Region District School Board

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