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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 Candice Mott at candice.mott@yrdsb.ca

Student of the Week:

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

Take Our Kids to Work Day - Wednesday Nov 2

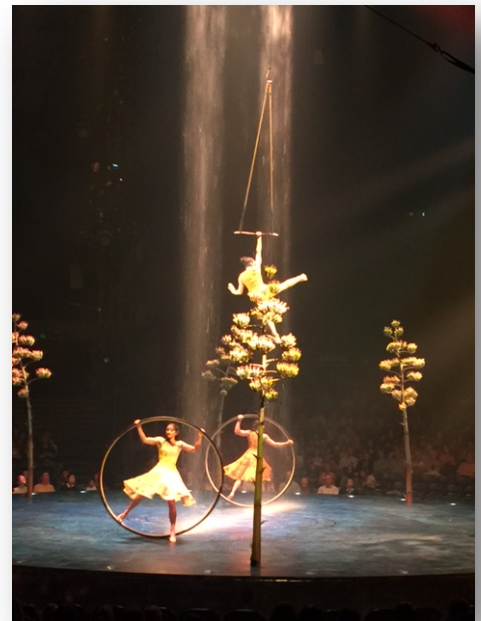
Take Our Kids to Work Day is a national initiative to provide the opportunity for all grade 9 students to observe a work environment for one day. This year TOKW Day is on Wednesday Nov 2. An information package and permission form has been sent home with all grade 9 students. Please complete this form and return it to the school as soon as possible.

Parents' Night Questionnaire

We are requesting your input on what time frame works best for our community for Parents' Night. Please take a moment to check of a time period in the following [link](#). Thanks very much for your time.

Cirque du Soleil

On Thursday October 6th our students had a fabulous night out in Toronto at Cirque du Soleil's Luzia. They were mesmerized by the performance, the costumes and music. As usual our students were fantastic, well behaved and incredible ambassadors for our school.



Updates from our Cafeteria

Do you want to receive a weekly reminder of the daily specials in our cafeteria sent right to your phone? Sign up for this service by texting @sdhsmenu to (289) 205-1037.

Student Achievement Awards Ceremony

This past Thursday, Oct. 13, we gathered in the library to acknowledge and celebrate the academic achievement of many of our students from second semester last year. We were joined by Chief Donna Big Canoe, from the Chippewa's of Georgina Island, and many family members. We enjoyed a wonderful performance of the song "Riptide" by three students, Rachael Kataja, Olivia Smith and Samantha Bell. The event was emceed by two of our senior students, Taimo Pajos and Maddie McPhail. Congratulations to all award winners. We are very proud of the time and effort you put into your studies and happy to recognize your outstanding achievements.

College Fair - Enecare Centre - October 18, 2016 reminder

The purpose of this field trip is to assist grade 11 and 12 students who are thinking of applying to College after highschool. Students will be able to talk to representatives from Ontario Colleges to ask questions about programs, entrance requirements, etc. The bus will leave SDHS promptly at 9:30 am from the back of the school. Students will return to SDHS at approximately 3:15 pm. The cost to students is \$10 to cover transportation costs. Students are responsible for their own lunch. There is a cafeteria on site for lunch purchases. Permission forms(available in Guidance), signed by a parent, as well as proof of payment (using Cash On Line) is due by noon on Monday, October 17th, 2016. A minimum of 25 students is required to run this field trip. For a 2nd bus to run the first bus must be full and another 25 students must sign up. Please make Guidance aware of any

medical concerns

Aboriginal Career Day 2016

Georgina Island First Nation welcome all students to be a part of the seventh annual FNMI career day. Wednesday, November 2, 2016. We welcome all students to tour the small gym at lunch hour.

School Council

Come out and join our school council. The SDHS School Council will meet at 7 p.m. in the school library on the following dates:

November 21, 2016 February 21, 2017 May 1, 2017

(dates are subject to change and will be posted on our school outdoor signs and website.)

Upcoming Events

Oct. 20	OSSLT on-line
Oct. 25	Grade 11 distracted driving assembly
Oct. 27	Halloween Dance – 6:30 – 10:00 pm
Oct. 28	PA Day
Nov. 2	Take our Kids to Work Day
Nov. 4	Last day of Term 1
Nov. 7-11	Mid-term Break

Concussion Management

The below video contains concussion information with important highlights around *returning to learn* after suffering a concussion.

[Concussion Management](#)

The Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) is going online!!

On Thursday, October 20, after several years of research, development, consultation, trial runs and system checks, EQAO will take the important step of holding a large-scale assessment of OSSLT-eligible students in a digital environment. Open to all of Ontario's secondary schools, this is a critical trial of EQAO's online testing system and of schools' and school boards' technological capacity to support online assessments. At SDHS, all grade 10 students will be participating in the online administration of this test. In addition, all previously-eligible students who are not enrolled in the OLC (literacy course) for the 2016/2017 school year will be participating. In addition to the classroom preparation provided for this test, there are sample materials and sample tests on the EQAO website. There is even a sample on-line version at the following link:

<http://www.eqao.com/en/assessments/eqao-online/Pages/sample-online-osslt.aspx>

Additional support and/or practice materials can be provided by Lisa Schneppenheim, SDHS's Literacy Teacher. Lunch n' Learn sessions for students will also be offered in October.

Please note, if students are unsuccessful and/or there are technological issues during this online administration, all students will still have the regularly scheduled OSSLT in March 2017 to satisfy their literacy requirement. Those who pass the online test will not have to write the one scheduled in March.

Halloween Safety Tips

With Halloween just around the corner, it's a good time to remind students about safety. Please share this [letter](#) with your school families.

International Baccalaureate Program Information Evening

The International Baccalaureate (IB) program is student-centred with a focus on developing intellectual, personal, emotional and social skills for students who live, learn and work in a rapidly changing world. The program emphasizes critical, compassionate thinking, community involvement and intercultural understanding. It is founded on international standards and assessment. Students who complete the program earn both an Ontario Secondary School Diploma and an IB Diploma.

We are pleased to announce the expansion of York Region District School Board's IB Program offerings. In addition to [Bayview Secondary School's](#) IB Program, YRDSB has four candidate school sites for the Diploma Program:

- [Alexander Mackenzie High School](#)
- [Dr. GW Williams Secondary School](#)
- [Maple High School](#)
- [Milliken Mills High School](#)

Current Grade 8 and Grade 9 students and families interested in YRDSB's IB Program are invited to attend an information session to learn more about the program and application process. No registration is needed.

IB Information Evening – Wednesday, October 26, 2016

Location: Le Parc

8432 Leslie Street, Thornhill, Ontario L3T 7M6

Hall: to be announced

Times:

Families living EAST of Yonge St. 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Families living WEST of Yonge St. 8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Students eligible for Grade 9 and Grade 10 in September 2017 may apply.

Assessment Dates – Saturday, November 19 or Tuesday, November 22, 2016

Admission to the York Region District School Board IB programs includes an assessment. At the time of application, students will select to write in either the a.m. or p.m. on Saturday, November 19 or in the evening on Tuesday, November 22.

There is a \$35 fee to apply to this program.

For additional information, please visit www.yrdsb.ca/IB.

Reporting a Student Absences

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.

Holidays and Observances

Islam

October 12 – **Ashura** falls on the 10th day of Muharram. The 10th day commemorates the Martyrdom of Hussein, the grandson of the Prophet Muhammed (pbuh).

Buddhism

October 16 – **Pavarana** signals the completion of the Rains of Retreat.

October 17 – **Kathina** marks Buddha's "descent from heaven." The day is dedicated to remembering the dead and respecting elders.

Judaism

October 17-23 – **Sukkot** is a harvest festival or thanksgiving. Small huts are constructed in which meals are eaten, weather permitting, to commemorate the time when the Israelites dwelled in booths in the desert for 40 years.

Community Volunteers Hours

Parents for Children's Mental Health is offering a support group for parents with children suffering from anxiety, mood disorders, ADHD, learning disabilities or behaviour challenges. Starting October 17, 2016. Please see link for further details. [PCMH Support Group Poster October 2016.pdf](#)

Addiction Services for York Region presents an eight week program for parents/guardians dealing with youth (age 12-24) and issues around substance use, problem gaming or gambling. Starts October 5, 2016. Please see link for details. [Parent Group Flyer addictions services of York Region.pdf](#)

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.

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.

Scholarship Opportunity for students attending Post-Secondary Institutions in September 2017

Horatio Alger Association Scholarship

A need based scholarship of up to \$5,000.00 could be awarded to full time students in the last year of high school.

Criteria: Family income must be under \$65,000 and the student must have demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity and show a commitment to pursuing a post-secondary application.

Deadline: **October 25, 2016** at 5:00 pm

The scholarship application is completely

online: <https://application2.horatioalger.org/Security/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

For more information: <https://www.horatioalger.ca/en/scholarships/frequently-asked-questions/>

Community Events

Please see our website for up-coming community events.

Community News.

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 busses 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 October 7-13, 2016 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>

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