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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 Jean Janzen at jean.janzen@yrdsb.ca

Engineering Mathletics

The Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) – York Chapter is hosting their annual “Engineering Mathletics” competition for York Region students. This year there will be two sessions, one for elementary students in grades 7 and 8 and a second session for secondary students in grades 9 and 10. The event will take place on Saturday October 26, 2019 at Sir William Mulock Secondary School in Newmarket (see the attached poster for event details and online registration instructions). [Mathletics](#)

Cell Phones in Classrooms

We would like to remind families that cell phone use in the classrooms is only permitted for educational purposes as assigned by a teacher. Any other use of cell phones in classrooms is not permitted. Should you need to reach your child during class, please call the main office instead of contacting your child directly. We ask that you review this school policy with your child as we work towards increasing student achievement and continue with our commitment to a respectful classroom environment.

Thank you for your support.

Guidance News

Class of 2020

Have you signed up for Remind yet? Parents/guardians and students who are planning on graduating June 2020 are encouraged to sign up for Remind to get important information sent to your phones or email.

Sign up for the **SDHS Class of 2020** group and get notifications or messages through your phone or email. If you have a smartphone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/fbbd99 and follow the instructions to sign up for Remind.(this will also work for email notifications)

No smartphone? No problem!

Text **@fbbd99** to the number **(587) 316-6156**

*standard text message rates apply

School Council

The SDHS School Council will meet at 7 p.m. in the school library on the following dates:

November 18, 2019; Feb. 18, 2020; and Apr 21, 2020.

(all dates are subject to change)

Attendance

Student attendance is directly related to student success. It is very important that students are at school on time and in class daily.

At Sutton District High School, when a student misses a class without a valid reason, our automated attendance program will phone home and email in the evening stating what grade the student is in and what class(es) were missed that day. If parents have any questions regarding the reported absence, they should check with their child and his or her teacher, as well as the appropriate Vice Principal if necessary.

Valid Absences

Only absences due to illness, medical/dental/legal appointments, bereavement, and school-sponsored activities are valid. All other absences, including missed buses and oversleeping are invalid. When a student is absent, it is the student's responsibility to ensure that his or her parent(s)/guardian(s) confirm knowledge of the validity of the absence. **Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are asked to call or email the Attendance Office at 722-3267 or**

sutton.dhs@yrdsb.ca (accessible 24 hours daily) on the morning of each day their child will be absent or write a note verifying the absence. Informing of the absence prior to the day or on the day of the absence will allow the information to be entered and will prevent the need for a phone call home or for the student to obtain an admit slip upon return. If no phone call or note is received, students must obtain an admit slip from the office. In certain instances, medical documentation may be required. Students who are 18 years of age or older are to sign in and out at the Attendance Office when leaving or entering the school for any reason. **Students are responsible for informing teachers in advance of an anticipated absence. Students are responsible for all missed work (tests, assignments, class notes) when absent and are encouraged to obtain this work from their teacher beforehand when possible.**

Upcoming Events

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| October 21 | PA Day |
| October 21-30 | Greece Trip |
| October 23 | Annual Indigenous Career Fair |
| October 28 – Nov.2 | Mid-Term Break |

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER HOURS

Students are 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.

Community Events

Please see our website for up-coming community events.

Farmer’s Harvest Dinner/Dance – Saturday November 2nd Please see the below link for details.

[Harvest Dinner/Dance](#)

Islamic Heritage – Beyond Islamic Heritage Month

Inclusive School and Community Services (ISCS) and the Alliance of Educators for Muslim Students (AEMS) invites our YRDSB school communities (families, staff, and students) to an exciting evening of learning and dialogue. Children will have an opportunity to listen to stories by Muslim authors, while families, staff, and community engage in learning and dialogue that celebrates diverse Islamic Heritages. Please share with your school communities!

When :Wednesday, November 6, 2019 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Where: Bill Hogarth Secondary School Cafeteria, 100 Donald Sim Avenue, Markham Program

1. YRDSB Greetings
2. Community Greetings by *York Region Muslims & The National Council of Canadian Muslims*
3. Dialogue by Gilyr Massa - Framing Intersectionality in Muslim communities
4. Keynote by Timaj Garad - Acting in Solidarity with Muslim communities
5. Keynote by Rania El Mugammar – Centering Muslim & Minoritized Voices in Institutional Decision-Making
6. Children’s Story-time and Crafts

**Bookstores, community resource displays and more.*

Registration

Please register [here](#).

Keynote Presenters: Rania El Mugammar, Timaj Garad, Gilyr Massa

(details on next page)

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

BUS SAFETY

Students riding school buses must observe the following procedures:

- Be at the bus stop five minutes before scheduled pick up.
- Keep well away from the road until the bus has stopped. Do not move toward the bus until it has stopped.
- Watch for the bus driver's signal before crossing the road. Look both ways and then cross the road.
- Board the bus quickly using the handrail and go directly to your seat.
- Remain seated while the bus is in motion.
- Do not eat or drink on the bus as these are prohibited.
- Keep the aisle clear of books, knapsacks, lunch bags and other items.
- Keep windows closed unless the driver permits you to open them and never put hands, arms, head or legs out of the window.
- Never throw anything inside the bus or out of the window.
- Talk quietly, so as not to distract the driver.
- Shouting, horseplay and fighting are strictly prohibited; students engaging in these activities will have their bus privileges suspended.

HOLIDAYS, CELEBRATIONS AND OBSERVANCES IN OUR GLOBAL COMMUNITY

BUDDHISM

October 13 Kathina Ceremony marks Buddha's "descent from heaven." The day is dedicated to remembering the dead and respecting elders.

October 13 Pavarana Day signals the completion of the Rains of Retreat.

JUDAISM

October 14-20 - 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.

October 21 - Shemini Atzeret is a festival marking the end of the holiday of Sukkot on which a special prayer for rain is recited.

October 22 - Simchat Torah is marked by singing and dancing which celebrates the end of public reading of the Torah in the synagogue and the beginning of its reading anew.

Attendance Report

Please review the following attendance report. The report includes all lates and absences for your son/daughter for the week of October 11-17, 2019 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_E» |
| «Course_D» | «Period_D» | «Teacher_Last_D» | «Absence_D» | «Lates_F» |
| Totals | | | «Total_Abs» | «Total_Lates» |

SUTTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL LINKS

Sutton District High School Website

<http://www.suttondistrict.hs.ca>

York Region District School Board

<http://www.yrdsb.ca>