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September 6, 2019

Welcome to our community newsletter, a quick update of the going-ons at Thornhill Public School.

## Dates for the Calendar

Sept 23 - P.A. Day (No School)  
Sept 24 - Terry Fox Run; School Council  
(7pm in Library)  
Sept 25 - Pizza Day Fall Term begins!  
Sept 26 - Picture Day

## Daily Schedule at TPS

8:15 am	Morning supervision
8:27 am	Entry Bell
8:30 am	Classes Begin
10:10 - 10:30 am	Morning Recess
12:10 - 1:10 pm	Lunch & Recess
2:50 pm	Dismissal

Office hours are 7:30-3:30pm



## Safe Arrival (& Edsby)

Our Safe Arrival program depends on parents/guardians to notify the office in the event of their child's late arrival or absence. We ask that absences are reported before 8:45am. Parents/guardians can now report student absences online through Edsby. If you have activated your Edsby account, you can login to Edsby and report your child's absence online. You can access an [online video tutorial](#) to learn more on how to do this. If you have not yet created an Edsby account, please contact the school office. Your child's safety is important to us!

*(Families can still continue to report absences by phone or e-mail.)*

## Bus Loop Safety



Parents/guardians, please remember to bring your cars all the way to the **front of the line** where a staff member will be waiting to assist your child(ren) in getting safely across to the walkway. **Do not pass another car in the Kiss'n'ride lane!** We ask that you abide by the signs posted as well as directions given by staff members. Please keep the safety of our

staff and students in mind when you are dropping off and/or picking up!

## SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

**Pizza Day Fall Term (due Sept 19)**  
**Agendas** *(only for those who have not purchased)*

**Contact the school office if you have not signed up for your School Cash Online account!**

Dear Families,  
York Region District School Board's **Elementary International and Indigenous Languages Program** is pleased to offer over 20 languages at 35 different sites from Tuesday to Friday evenings, and Saturday mornings. Our Board has one of the largest International and Indigenous Languages programs in the province with approximately 15,000 students who register each year. Classes run 2.5 hours once a week for 30 weeks for Elementary SK-8 students who want to learn a new language or maintain their heritage language. The cost for the entire program is \$20.00. Program brochures will also be sent home from your child(ren)'s school. We would like to share with you our program information:

- New student registration (New registrants must submit a copy of the Birth Certificate) begins at the language location during the specified registration hours listed on our brochure or on our webpage.
- Please note online registration through EDSBY is now closed so families must register in person.
- First day of classes begin at the language location during the specified dates and times listed on our brochure or on our webpage.
- Students pre-registered online through EDSBY are to attend the first day of classes at the language location during the specified dates and times listed on our brochure.

Huron Heights Secondary School is a new language site opening for the 2019-2020 school year. For elementary courses, registration times and locations, please see our [updated flyer](#). For elementary program information, please visit:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/ConEd/Pages/International-Languages-Elementary-Program.aspx>

If you require any further information, please contact us at:  
[international.languages@yrdsb.ca](mailto:international.languages@yrdsb.ca)

Thank you,  
International and Indigenous Languages Program

### NUT-FREE ZONE!

TPS is a **peanut and nut-free** school. We have a number of students and staff who have **life-threatening allergies** to peanuts/nuts or other by-products. If some of these individuals smell or come in contact with these foods, they may go into **"anaphylactic shock"**, a potentially life-threatening condition. We ask all parents to please check the ingredient list of all snack and lunch items for peanut and nut products before sending them to school. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping TPS a safe environment!



### Visitors & Volunteers

For the safety of staff and students, **visitors** to the school must **sign-in at the office** and obtain a 'Visitor' tag. Volunteers must have a valid Vulnerable Sector Screening/police check on file.

### SCHOOL ASSISTANTS NEEDED

We are looking for School Assistants to help supervise students over the **lunch hour (12:10-1:10pm)**. This is a paid position. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the school office.

# PIZZA DAY

Pizza Days for the Fall Term is now available for purchase on [School Cash Online](#)! The Fall Term runs from September 25-December 19. Payments for the program are online only—do not send cash payment to school with your child. **Late orders will not be accepted so be sure to place your order by Thursday, September 19th!** Contact the school office if you need assistance with your account or with ordering!



## Message from Our Trustee

I am so pleased to welcome all of our new and returning families to another school year. As your school board trustee, it is my role to advocate for quality public education in York Region, and to ensure that our students remain at the centre of all of our decision making. The [Board of Trustees](#) makes [policy](#) and [budget](#) decisions, and communicates with the public, among other [responsibilities](#).

We are also responsible for setting direction for the school board, through our [Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#). This plan sets out four priorities: Foster Well-Being and Mental Health, Build Collaborative Relationships, Champion Equity and Inclusivity, and Empower Ethical Leadership.

As we start the new school year, I want to highlight the importance of relationships. We want to build and maintain relationships with our families that are built on trust, respect and responsive communication. To support that, I will continue to keep you informed of our work and priorities, and I encourage you to [contact me](#) if you have any questions or concerns. You can also find the [message from the Chair of the Board](#) on the Board's website.

In addition, I invite you to share your feedback on our Board policies. Policies govern everything from field trips, school volunteers, equity and inclusive education, student discipline and much more, and we greatly value input from families on these important matters. We regularly post on our website the [policies that are under review](#) and available for comment as well as information about how to share your feedback. I hope you will take a look.

I know school staff are excited to welcome back students, and I look forward to meeting more of our families throughout the upcoming school year. I encourage you to build a relationship with the staff members and community at your school. There are so many [different ways to get involved](#) and support your child's education. I hope you have a great start to the school year and wish you a happy, safe and successful year ahead.

David Sherman  
Trustee, Markham Ward 1, Vaughan Ward 5



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September 3, 2019

Dear families,

We are so excited to welcome you to the 2019-2020 school year at York Region District School Board. We hope that you are looking forward to a year of learning, growth and discovery. It is important to us that all of our students and families know that they are a valued part of our school community. Each and every child has important and unique contributions to offer and we aim to create learning environments where they feel safe, respected and supported in making those contributions.

It is a privilege to work alongside families to support your children in exploring their interests, learning more about the world around them and reaching their full potential. We are more successful in doing that when there are strong connections between our schools and families, and we hope you will find opportunities to build those important connections throughout the year.

Our work to provide your child with the best possible education is guided by four priorities set out by the Board of Trustees in our Multi-Year Strategic Plan: Foster Well-Being and Mental Health, Build Collaborative Relationships, Champion Equity and Inclusivity, and Empower Ethical Leadership. [Our plans](#) are available on the Board website or you can make a request through your school office.

As part of our commitment to build collaborative relationships, we will continue to keep you informed about our work at the board and important news and events through our website, social media and through your school. We look forward to connecting with you, and wish you a happy, safe and successful school year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L Sirisko".

Louise Sirisko  
Director of Education

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C McBain".

Corrie McBain  
Chair of the Board

**Welcome back!** We hope you had a wonderful summer break.

As you get organized for the start of school, please remember that we are here to help. Kick off the new school year right. *Simplify life.* Let us take care of your child's lunches.

We are excited to bring back many of your favourites and some new meals for the school year ahead. Please visit [www.kidskitchen.ca](http://www.kidskitchen.ca) to view our full menu.

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## SEPTEMBER SPECIALS

Each month we feature new specials and combos to bring you even more variety!

For the month of September your child can enjoy:

**Butter Chicken with basmati rice  
& cucumber raita**

or

**Chickpea spinach curry with basmati rice  
& cucumber raita**



These are available as an entrée only or as a combo.

Our September specials are only available for September 9<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. Place your orders today!

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### Leave the lunches to us.

With everything that's on your plate, you can feel good about ordering our hot, fresh lunches because they're delicious, affordable and are as good as homemade. Rely on us to make your child's lunch in our nut-free kitchen and delivered fresh at lunch time.

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### Stay in the know! Don't miss any important lunch updates.

Be sure to subscribe to Kid's Kitchen emails for specials, reminders and account updates. Create your account or sign in at [www.kidskitchen.ca](http://www.kidskitchen.ca). In your Account Profile, check the box "Send me lunch reminders and details for specials."

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### Ordering is easy!

**Login to place your orders at [www.kidskitchen.ca](http://www.kidskitchen.ca)**

Orders are accepted until 10am the previous business day (on Friday for Monday orders).

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**Spend more quality time with your kids. Leave the lunches to us!**

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