

# Tommy Times - Parent Edition

Week of Dec. 4 - 8, 2023



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## This week:

Dec. 4	Jr. Boys Basketball @ LEW Curling @ York Curling Club
Dec. 5	Grade 10 History Trip - ROM Sr. Boys Basketball vs BRE
Dec. 6	Sr. Girls Volleyball @ HNS
Dec. 7	
Dec. 8	TPJ Blood Clinic Sr. Girls Volleyball Tournament @ Milliken Mills

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## Administrative Team

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## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

**Dec. 13** - York Region Swim Finals

**Dec. 13** - Winterlicious 6:00 - 8:00 pm

**Dec. 14** - SNAP Community Class Basketball 8:45 am

**Dec. 15** - Athletic Council Holiday Fair

**Dec. 22** - Holiday Assembly

**Dec. 25** - Jan. 7 - Winter Holiday

**Dec. 25** - Christmas

**Jan. 8** - return to school

To support your family planning, the 2023-2024 YRDSB School Year Calendar is available on the [YRDSB website](#).

### **SCHOOL NOTICES:**

We would like to thank our families for your understanding as we navigated through a board wide system shutdown over the last month. Most applications are now up and running. INFORM - the platform which shares this Parent Bulletin has just returned to full function, so we have plenty of updates.

### ***Semester 1 EXAM SCHEDULE - January 25th - 31st***

On Examination & Culminating Activity Days, students will be informed by their teachers which days they need to attend. Students are only to be at the school for their exams or if they have an appointment to meet with a teacher, for extra help, or are returning school materials. Once students have met with the teacher, they are expected to leave the building.

**Vacation time, employment and appointments must not be planned during the scheduled exam period.**

### ***Literacy Loop OSSLT***

Last week Grade 10s and previously eligible Grade 11 and 12 students wrote the Fall session of the OSSLT. The Ministry will return results to the school sometime in early January. Each student will receive a letter with their final result, successful or unsuccessful.

If your student was scheduled to write but missed one or both of the days they will have an opportunity to complete the test in the Spring session. Dates to be determined.

### ***A Night in Hollywood - Semi Formal***

Tommy Douglas held its annual semi formal in the middle of November. The evening was well attended and everyone enjoyed good food, great music and even better company! Our students represented Tommy Douglas with pride, they were respectful and responsible citizens, thank you Titans!!

A huge thank you to the staff who organized and guided the organizing committee, and the organizing committee, your hours of work and creativity made it a very special evening. Thank you to the staff who chaperoned the evening and to Mr. Sacchetti for getting the dance floor going!

### ***Clubs @ Tommy Douglas***

Tommy Douglas is the place to grow and learn, not only during the school day but also through the many extracurriculars that are offered. Here is a [list of the clubs](#) currently being offered at TDSS. Clubs run after school, many are student lead and all have a staff advisor. Your student can access the google classroom through the class codes found in the link. In future bulletins, the TITAN icon on the opening banner (top right of page 1) will give you access to *Clubs @ Tommy*. **Find your passion Titans!**

### *Guidance*

In light of the recent system outage throughout the YRDSB, the new transmission date to OUAC/OCAS was Thursday, November 23rd. This date fell within the timelines set out by OUAC/OCAS, Grade 12 marks were received before the deadline and this did not have any impact on student applications to colleges/universities.

### *Community Based Education Career Fair*


Last Friday the Coop Department hosted the TDSS Career Fair. This semester's Coop students filled the Library with displays of their work placements and shared the skills and knowledge they have gained while at their placements. Students also shared some of their favourite things about being a part of the Coop Program and how it has prepared them in making decisions about their post-secondary education. The fair was also attended by many of our Community Partners who were impressed with the work of our students and had many wonderful things to say about our Titans in the workplace. So PROUD!! Thank you to our Coop Teachers for developing strong community partnerships and preparing our students for the world of work!

### *Grad Photos*

Your turn is coming soon Grads! Grad photos will be taking place at Tommy Douglas from **February 20th 2024, to February 29th 2024 ONLY**. You will sign up online. Stay tuned for more information and don't miss out on this opportunity to celebrate your successes!

### TDSS Educational Supports

The following supports are available to all students throughout the semester. Please encourage your student(s) to access these resources to help support their learning.



### TDSS STUDENT SUPPORTS

**PEER TUTORING**  
TUESDAY AND THURSDAYS PERIODS 2,3,4-TUTEES REGISTER EVERY MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY BY FOLLOWING THE LINK IN THE CLASSROOM. CODE- **so62fle**

**MATH SUPPORT**  
MONDAY - FRIDAY DURING PERIOD 4 IN ROOM 109/239  
WEDNESDAY :PERIOD 3, 2ND HALF IN ROOM 229 EXTRA HELP FOR ALL GRADES & PERIOD 4, 1ST HALF IN ROOM 232


**MULTI- LANGUAGE LEARNERS**  
MON, WED, FRI:  
ROOM 229 - P3  
ROOM 232 - P4  
FOR EXTRA-HELP OR A QUIET SPACE TO WORK.

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
P1,2,3,4,5  
RESOURCE ROOM  
REGULAR IN-CLASS SUPPORT ALSO OFFERED.

### SCIENCE

FOR ALL OTHER SUBJECTS PLEASE CONNECT WITH THE CLASSROOM TEACHER.

Period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
2	Phys 11/12. Room 246	Chem 11/12. Room 246		Bio 11/12. Room 246
3	Grade 9. Room 258	Bio 11/12. Room 258	Grade 9. Room 253	Chem 11/12. Room 253
4	Chem 11/12. Room 257	Grade 10. Room 257	Phys 11/12. Room 268	Grade 10. Room 268Bio 11/12. Room 257



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### YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS

The following resources are available to teens in need of mental health supports.



**Kids Help Phone**

Text 686868

KidsHelpPhone.ca

Call 1-800-668-6868



**360° kids**

Surrounding kids in crisis with care

905-475-6694

www.360kids.ca

**york hills**  
Centre for Children, Youth and Families

905-503-9560

yorkhills@yorkhills.ca

www.yorkhills.ca



**MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS?**

**1.855.310.COPE (2673)**



Suicide Prevention Canada

Call 1.833.456.4566

Text 45645

*Mental Health Matters*



### SCHOOL SAFETY - Student Drop Off and Pick Up



As the winter weather is near, we are reminding parents/guardians of the need to help keep our students safe.

Students who are driven to school **must be dropped off and picked up** in the **North parking lot only.**

**The South lot is for buses and Staff use only.** Please help us ensure the safety of our school community. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

