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PETHS Weekly Parent Bulletin

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Guide to the 2023-2024 School Year

Click on the link to read the [Guide to the 2023-2024 School Year](#)

PETHS 2023-2024 Student Handbook

Click on the link to read the [Student Handbook 2023-24](#)

School Cash Online (SCO)

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School Information

THIS WEEK @ TRUDEAU

Monday, December 18

- Winter Melodies - buy tickets on School Cash Online
- Co-op fair
- Spirit Week - Duo Day (dress with a friend as a famous Duo)
- Holiday Food Drive, Dec 18th-21st- bring donations to your homeroom

Tuesday, December 19

- Winter Melodies - Buy tickets on School Cash Online
- Spirit Week - Mini Me Day (dress like a photo of yourself as a child)

Wednesday, December 20

- Spirit Week - Ugly Sweater Day (wear an ugly sweater)

Thursday, December 21

- Spirit Week - Tropical Day (dress for the beach)

Friday, December 22

- Blizzard's Bash/Winter Market II
- Spirit Week - Students to vote for Festive or Sport Day

School Council Meeting Dates

School Council Meetings - 7:00 pm in the Library

January 18, 2024
February 22, 2024
April 18, 2024

Coming Up...

- December 25 to January 5 - Winter Break
- January 12 - Ski Club trip
- January 18 - Drama Mosaic
- January 18 - School Council 7:00 p.m.
- January 22/23 - Grade 9 Math EQAO
- January 25 - First day of semester 1 exams

Important School Information links

- [Staff Directory](#)
- [Guidance](#)
- [list of clubs](#)

Daily Schedule 2023-24

Period	Time
1 HOMEROOM	8:10 AM – 9:25 AM 9:25 AM – 9:30 AM
2	9:35 AM – 10:50 AM
3	10:55 AM – 12:10 PM
4	12:15 PM – 1:30 PM
5	1:35 PM – 2:50 PM

Attendance

To report an absence or for questions about your child's attendance, please call 905-887-2216 ext. 190 or send an email to pierre.elliott.trudeau.hs.attendance@yrdsb.ca

If you receive notification that your child has been marked absent and you believe this to be incorrect, please have your child ask the teacher to notify the office to make the correction. All attendance corrections must be verified by the classroom teacher.

School Updates/News

Holiday Food Drive

Pierre Elliott Trudeau's Student Council will be holding a Holiday Food Drive from December 18th to December 21st. We encourage all students to participate in spreading kindness and generosity.

This time of year is about coming together and supporting those in need, and our school has always been dedicated to fostering a spirit of giving. The food drive is a wonderful opportunity for us to make a difference in the lives of others and contribute to the well-being of our local community.

What to Donate:

Cash

Non-perishable food items (canned soup, cereal, pasta, rice)

Individually Wrapped Snacks for School

Packaged hot cereal (ie. Oatmeal)

Peanut Butter

Cake Mixes

Baby essentials (diapers, wipes, baby food, etc.)

Thank you in advance for your generosity and for making this food drive a success. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of those who need it most.

Extended Absences

In the event that your child intends to be away for three or more days due to vacation, please ask them to fill out the Extended Absence form, which can be obtained from the main office. This helps facilitate transparent communication regarding assignment expectations and the coordination of makeup assessments with their teachers.

It is also important to be aware that choosing to miss an exam for a vacation will lead to a grade of "zero." Exams cannot be written at an earlier or later date. The first semester exam period runs from January 25th to February 1st. Also if we have an Inclement Weather (Snow Day) exams would be postponed and written on a later date that week. The first semester exam schedule will be shared prior to the Winter Break.

Blizzard's Bash and Winter Market II

TSAC will be holding its annual Winter Carnival - this year named "Blizzard's Bash" on Friday December 22nd. We will be following an alternate schedule so all students can participate in the various holiday events. We encourage students to check out the Winter Market II where clubs will be selling festive treats!

Smoke Free School Environment

We want to remind students that the use of electronic products such as vaping, electronic cigarettes and cigars as well as cartridges of nicotine solutions and related products are not permitted on or within 20 metres of school property. This means 20 metres *beyond* the school boundaries as opposed to simply off of school property. [Health Canada](#) reports health risks associated with vaping particularly for young people.



This is in compliance with the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, which is enforced locally by York Region Community and Health Services and the [Tobacco and Smoke-Free Environment Policy and Procedure](#). A progressive form of discipline, including suspension from school and [fines](#) (up to \$5,000), is in place for students who break the law.

For more information visit Health Canada or the Board website. [Partnership for Drug Free Kids](#) also provides a resource on how to talk to your kids about vaping.

New School Sign In and Out Procedures at Trudeau

We want to inform you about a new visitor procedure that we are implementing at Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School. This new procedure is part of our ongoing efforts to create a more welcoming and secure environment for our school community.

We kindly request that all visitors to our school begin their visit by signing in at the main office. This includes parents, guardians, volunteers, and any other guests. After signing in you will be asked to wear a guest tag which can be returned when you are leaving the building and sign out.

This process will help us keep track of who is in the building. By doing so, we aim to create a safer and more secure environment for our students and staff.

Prayer Room

The York Region District School Board promotes respectful and inclusive working and learning environments. In recognition that there are staff and students who would like a quiet place for prayer, reflection or meditation, Pierre Elliott Trudeau HS is pleased to announce the availability of a Multi-Faith prayer Room/quiet space in the Guidance Office Reception Area.



Health & Safety

The York Region School Board is committed to ensuring the safety of students, staff, building occupants and visitors



in the event of an emergency situation. As such, during Safety Week (September 25 to 29, 2023) and throughout the school year, schools in our Board practise various safety drills including Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills, Hold and Secure Drills and the newly established Bomb Threat Drill. It is critical that all members of our school community become familiar with emergency protocols as they are designed to keep all of us safe at school. Please refer to

[Board Policy #669.0](#) for more information about Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management.

Practicing drills may create some anxiety for some students. If you are concerned about how these situations might impact the mental health and well-being of your child, please contact school administrators, as we have school mental health professionals available to support your child.

General Supports for Emotional Well-Being:

- 310-COPE: 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673) - available 24/7
- KidsHelpPhone: 1-800-668-6868, text 686868 - available 24/7, <https://kidshelpphone.ca/>
- Mental Health Helpline: 1-866-531-2600 - available 24/7
- York Hills Help Phone Line: 905-503-9561 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. for children and youth (0-18 years) and their parents, caregivers or adult supporters. Visit www.yorkhills.ca for more information.
- Trans Lifeline: <https://translifeline.org/>
- Black Youth Helpline: <https://blackyouth.ca/>
- Naseeha Helpline: <https://naseeha.org/>
- 2SLGBTQ+ Youthline: <https://www.youthline.ca/>

AFTER SCHOOL BUILDING HOURS

PETHS Library is open after school until 3:30 pm for students to utilize its resources and study.

All students are encouraged to exit the building by 4:30 PM unless they are engaged in one of the following activities:

- Attending a club meeting.
- Receiving extra academic help.
- Participating in a special school event.
- Participating in a sports practice.
- Attending a sports game or event.

For the safety and security of our students, we kindly request your cooperation in ensuring that your child adheres to this policy. If your child is not involved in any of the above activities, please make arrangements for them to leave no later than 4:30 pm.

We understand that there may be exceptions due to unforeseen circumstances or specific arrangements, but we encourage you to communicate with us in advance if your child needs to stay at school beyond this time.



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Dates: Sept. 27
Oct. 11, 25
Nov. 22
Dec. 6

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Resources for Families



Groups

Winter 2024

Learn more about

One Stop Talk

One Stop Health

One Stop Talk offers children, youth (within 18 years of age) and their families immediate access to free mental health support. [One Stop Talk](#)

[Family Services of York Region Winter 2024 Programs](#)



First Come First Serve - No Appointment Needed

No Health Card Needed

[Hong Fook Walk In Counselling](#)

BRIEF COUNSELLING SERVICE

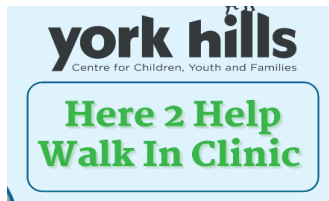


SHORT
TERM

Hong Fook Mental Health Counselling for Asian-identifying youth

Age 12 - 25 and their families living in the GTA. Form more information click on the link below

[Hong Fook Brief Counselling Service](#)



The Here 2 Help Walk In Clinic

York Hills offers free immediate access to single session counselling from a mental health professional. Click the link below for more information. [Here 2 Help Walk In Clinic](#)

Mental Health Workshops

Virtual or in-person workshops for youth ages 12 to 25, parents and caregivers, service providers and educators

[Hong Fook Mental Health Workshops](#)

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