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Monday February 15	•	Family	y Day (N	o Scho	ol)								
Tuesday February 16	•		Visual Ai Girls Vo	,		•	shop 11:15	5 am to 3:0	0 pm				
Wednesday February 17	•	School Council Meeting 6:30 pm											
Thursday February 18													

All visitors to UHS must report to the main office to sign in.



Message from our Trustee

Message from our Trustee – Mr. Billy Pang

Although winter still feels far from over some days, we are now halfway through the school year. With report cards coming home, this is a good time to review progress and celebrate what your children have learned both inside and outside of the classroom. This is also a good time to set goals for the months ahead.

One of our goals set out in the Board of Trustees' <u>Multi-Year Plan</u> is to "continuously increase student achievement and well-being through a culture of caring and learning." Developing this supportive culture includes engaging parents/guardians and other members of the school community in public education and working together to create safe and supportive school environments that enable students to thrive.

As parents/guardians, there are many ways you can get engaged in your child's education and support their learning, including talking with them about school, communicating with teachers, attending school events or school council meetings, and volunteering in the school. However you get involved, know that you are making a difference.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I wish you all the best an enjoyable and successful second term.

Mr. Billy Pang

I M P O R T A N T M E S S A G E S

Community Immunization Clinics

York Region Public Health is offering evening and weekend immunization clinics in convenient locations for students that need to catch up on their vaccinations.

If you recently received a letter from York Region Public Health requesting immunization information, the community clinics are a great way for your child to get immunized. Clinics are offered in Keswick, Markham, Newmarket, Richmond Hill and Vaughan. To book an appointment, visit <u>york.ca/</u>

<u>immunizations</u> and click on **Community Immunization Clinics**. If your child has received their vaccines, you can update your child's immunization records in one of the following ways:

- Online at https://eimmunization.york.ca
- Call York Region Public Health at 1-877-464-9675 ext. 73456
- Fax documents to 905-895-6066 or 1-866-258-2026

Photo Re-Take Day

Thursday, February 11th is "last chance" photo day for 2016.

On that day, any new Semester 2 students, and any staff that need an ID card may get their first picture taken between 8:30 am and 10:30 am.

All graduates that want a re-take photo must sign up for a time slot in the main office.

Waterloo Math Contest

The deadline to register for the Waterloo Math Contests Pascal (gr. 9), Cayley (gr. 10) and Fermat (gr. 11) is Monday February 8th, and the cost is \$5. Students may register with their teacher or using school cash online (they are automatically registered when using the online option). Good Luck!

Guidance News

Course Selection Timelines – 2016/17

Unionville High School

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February 5	Course selection grade assemblies in cafeteria during periods 1 & 2
February 9 and 12	Grade 9, ELL and Special Education classes will be visited to assist with the course selection/IPP process.
February 10	Course Selection Information Fair – Cafeteria – Periods 1,2 and 5
February 11	Computer lab Rm.356 available for "drop in" to all students who need support with the course selection process.
February 22	Course Selections Due In Career Cruising
February 22-26	Course selection round-up! Please collect course request forms in all homeroom classes.
End of March	Course Selection Verification Forms distributed to all feeder schools and all current UHS students
Early April	Changes to Course Selection Verification Forms due

Course selection assemblies were held on Friday and students were informed of key information pertinent to their grade. Students will be able to submit their courses starting on Tuesday, February 9th and we encourage students to have conversations with their guardians/ parents regarding their course selections. Here are some important websites for students to visit when making their course selection decision, <u>www.electronicinfo.ca</u> and <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u> to be informed about potential post secondary programs and requirements.

After School Literacy

The After school Literacy Program (ASLP) is a series of 10 classes designed to help students be successful on the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT). This semester the ASLP is running from 3:30 until 5 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning on February 16 and ending March 29 - two days before the OSSLT.

The OSSLT is a graduation requirement for all students in the province of Ontario. If your child needs support in their English language skills then it is strongly recommended that they take the after school literacy program. This program is offered free of charge for most students (there is a small fee for VISA students) and is taught by UHS teachers.

Students can pick up an application form in the attendance or main office. Application forms must be submitted by February 12. If you would like more information, please contact our literacy teacher via email at <u>eliza-</u> <u>beth.sloan@yrdsb.ca</u>

9 for 9 Student Survey

This January, UHS hosted its first 9 days of exam stress reducing workshops for grade 9 students. We are asking all grade 9 students to complete the following survey to help us plan future events.

If your son or daughter is in grade 9, please have them complete the following survey even if they did not attend ANY workshops.

Surveys need to be completed by February 12 and students will need to log into their gapps account to access the survey.

http://goo.gl/forms/rWG9P4MFHQ

Thanks for your help.

UHS Transition Committee



UNDERSTANDING LEARNING DISABILITIES AND ATTENTION DISORDERS

Date: Tues. Feb 23rd 2016

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Location: R L Graham Public School 70 Biscayne Keswick, ON L4P 3M8

Date: Wed. Feb. 24th 2016

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Location:

YRDSB Community Education Centre North 130 Carlson Dr. Newmarket, ON L3Y 5H3

For more information and to register please contact:

YRDSB 905-895-5155 ext. 144 Pauline Costello pauline.costello@yrdsb.ca

LDAYR 905-884-7933 ext. 23 Stephanie Gatti info@ldayr.org

Parents Reaching Out Grants



Idayr • Learning Disabilities Association of York Region



presented by: Learning Disabilities Association of York Region

in collaboration with: Inclusive School and Community Services York Region District School Board

*Free event. *Light refreshments provided. *Free child-minding is available upon request.

Workshop Information:

The workshop will help parents and students better understand Learning Disabilities.

- ◊ What are Learning Disabilities/ADHD?
- Advocating for children/youth
- ◊ How to teach self-advocacy skills
- ◊ Problem solving model
- Or Building resiliency and well-being skills
- Mental Health awareness and stress management strategies
- Programming to support children, youth and families



Presentation Speakers:

Renee Flannery (LDAYR) is a Resource Facilitator with the LDAYR. Renee has provided support and guidance to parents for over 20 years.

Stephanie Gatti (LDAYR) is a Program Coordinator and Resource Facilitator at the LDAYR.

