



September / October 2017

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Unionville Meadows Messenger

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The start of the school year is a time of new beginnings. Staff, students and parents alike, view the beginning of the school year as a time to start anew, a time for second chances and a time to look at things with a fresh new perspective.

Thank you to our caretakers who have worked very hard over the summer to prepare our classrooms for a fresh start, as well as our office staff who are always at the frontlines of everything we do for students.

We are excited to welcome our new students, parents and teachers to our school. We also welcome those who have been with us and are returning again. Our staff is committed to creating welcoming spaces for their learners and preparing meaningful lessons. Many teachers participated in professional development courses, workshops, and did professional reading and cannot wait to implement all of the wonderful things they learned.

Safety is always a main priority at our school. As a board we are committed to providing safe learning environments for all students. On the PA Day in September all staff were involved in safety training ranging from general health and safety to anaphylaxis and epi-pen training. We have also planned safety and fire drills which will continue throughout October.

We look forward to a great year of learning and growing together!

Alison Hall & Nancy Tsang

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October at a glance

- 5 Gr.1 (Risman / Christidis) to Markham Stouffville Hospital
- 5 School Council at 6:30pm
- 6 Picture Day
- 9 Thanksgiving (No School)
- 11 Gr.8 @ Pine Crest
- 12 Gr.8 @ Pine Crest
- 12 Gr.7 Hep B Shot
- 13 Gr.8 @ Pine Crest
- 17 Regional Cross Country
- 18 Diwali
- 20 PA Day (No School)
- 27 Scientist in School for Gr.4s
- 27 Mustang Bowl
- 27 Harvest Dance for Gr.7



STUDENT ALLERGIES

Due to the severe allergy to peanuts / nuts and shellfish of several of our students, we are asking that NO peanuts / nut products or shellfish be brought into the school for snacks or lunches. As well, we have some students allergic to eggs. If you have received a letter indicating there is a specific allergy in your child's class to eggs, please refrain from sending that specific food item to school in your child's lunch. If you would like a list of nut free snack and lunch ideas please visit:

<http://snacksafely.com/>



TERRY FOX RUN / WALK AT UMPS

The week of September 18 was Terry Fox Run week at Unionville Meadows. All of our students participated in this event to raise awareness and money for cancer research. Our students ran / walked between 30–45 minutes while donations were made to The Terry Fox foundation. It was a successful week as students were raising money to support cancer research while being active from a healthy run / walk.



UMPS GOES GREEN

Please bookmark this website so you can check to see what is happening at Unionville Meadows PS. You can also follow us @UMPSMarkham on Twitter.

Our website and Twitter aims to be more environmentally friendly by reducing the amount of communication sent home on paper.

This will be the last newsletter that we will be sending to our families on paper. All future newsletters, Board letters and updates will be sent via email and uploaded on our website.

<http://unionvillemeadows.ps.yrdsb.ca/>



BABY NEWS



Ms. Puddy welcomed her daughter, Lauren Grace McQuirter, on August 16th, 2017.

Ms. Berman welcomed her son, Benjamin Berman, on September 3rd, 2017.

Everyone is doing well and we can't wait for them to come in and visit us soon!

REMINDERS

Please send forks and spoons with your child(ren). We will not provide these at the office.



Please label your child(ren)'s lunch container and any clothing they may take off during the course of the day. This way, you will be sure to get it back at the end of the day!



PICK UP AND DROP OFF SAFETY AT UMPS

- **We strongly encourage UMPS students to walk to and from school**
- **Parking lot** entry is only for Kindergarten Parents (please make sure you have a yellow entry pass). There is no parking on school property unless there is a meeting planned or if you have school business to attend to
- **Parking lot** is a loop where staff will meet you beside your car to help get your child out of their seat and bring them to their kindergarten enclosures
- At the end of the school day, please only park along the loop to pick up your Kindergarten child/ren. If you cannot find a spot along the loop, please keep going around the loop until you can find one.
- Two left lanes will be blocked with safety pylons at our **front loop** so that only one lane is operable
- **Front loop** is for kiss and ride where parents / guardian need to drive up along the inside curb lane as far up as the car in front of you. This will help to move traffic along South Unionville Ave.
- Please continue to signal and check your blind spot before proceeding into the exit lane once the drop off has been made



INFORMATION NIGHTS AT BILL CROTHERS SECONDARY SCHOOL

Bill Crothers Secondary School
44 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario.

Tuesday October 3rd, 2017 – Students in the East and North area of York Region

Thursday October 12th, 2017 – Students in the West and Central area of Region

Information sessions will be from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the school cafeteria and/or Gym A

Applications will be available from the Bill Crothers school website: Friday, October 13th, 2017





Helping kids eat well and perform better.

OCTOBER 2017 UPDATE

Autumn is officially here. A time to give thanks.

We are excited to bring back our first annual seasonal lunch this month along with other favourites.

It is never too late to order. The Kid's Kitchen hot lunch program is fully flexible and convenient. Place orders at any time for as many days as you like that suits your lifestyle. Please visit www.kidskitchen.ca to view our full menu.

THANKSGIVING SPECIAL LUNCH

Our popular Thanksgiving Special is available for the month of October only!

Roast Turkey Slices with gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Peas and carrots with a Mini homemade pumpkin spice cupcake.

Don't delay, place your orders to- www.kidskitchen.ca

The Thanksgiving lunch is available each day we service your school for the month of October.



OCTOBER SPECIALS

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

For the month of October your child can enjoy:

Salisbury steak with steamed veggies or

BLT sandwich on a Kaiser bun (with turkey bacon)

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

Our October specials are only available till October 31st. Place your orders today!



Now available - fresh baked pumpkin pies and pumpkin spice cupcakes!

Our in-house nut free bakery The Sweet Dish is currently featuring fresh pumpkin pies and pumpkin spice cupcakes.

Order for your Thanksgiving celebrations with family & friends. These goodies and more are nut-free and baked fresh to order!

Need something different to wow your guests? Ask about our novelty cake jars and push pops!

Call us to order for your next event.

905.604.6447 thesweetdish.ca
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These are available as an entrée only or as a combo.

Our October specials are only available till October 31st. Place your orders today!

Made from scratch every day.

Your child(ren)'s lunches will always be made fresh in the morning. If we can't make something, we only use suppliers that share our passion for high quality food.

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. In your Account Profile, check the box "Send me lunch reminders and details for specials."

Ordering is easy!

Login to place your orders at www.kidskitchen.ca

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

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



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Please **DO NOT** send any food items to school to celebrate your child's birthday or other holidays. Unionville Meadows is a Healthy School and we do have students who are allergic to certain food items. Thank you for your understanding.



Youth Community Fair 第一届新移民青少年社区展览会

What do I have to know about the Ontario education system?

我对安省教育制度知多少? 如何能

I want to improve my English. Is there a program that can help me?

够提高个人的英文水平? 志愿工作

I need volunteer hours but don't know what opportunities are available.

哪里寻

I feel lonely in Canada. How can I make more friends?

我如何交到更多的朋友?

Come and Connect with us! 请来参加!

Date: Saturday September 16, 2017

日期: 9月16日(星期六)

Time: 10am to 2pm

时间: 早上10时至下午2时

Location: North Toronto Chinese Alliance Church (11221 Bayview Ave) 多伦多城北华人宣道会 (湾景路 11221 号)

Programs: 活动内容:

Understanding the Ontario Education System (in Mandarin)

安省的教育系统面面观 (普通话)

10:30am – 12:30pm (Space is limited. Registration is required)

早上10时半到下午12时半 (由于名额有限, 有意参加者请尽早报名)

Community Booths (10am – 2pm) 社区展板 (上午10时至下午2时)

Big Brothers Big Sisters, Catholic Community Services of York Region, Centre for Information & Community Services, Hong Fook Mental Health Association, Richmond Hill Public Library, York Regional Police

Upcoming workshops: 未来讲座:

September 23 (10am-Noon) Stress Management

9月23日 (早上10时至中午) 压力管理

September 30 (10am-Noon) Community Safety & Human Rights

9月30日 (早上10时至中午) 社区安全和人权

October 6 (Evening) Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration

10月6日 (晚上) 加国团圆庆中秋

For information and registration, please contact:

报名及查询, 请联络:

Cathy Ng cathy.ng@yrdsb.ca or Eileen Wan on 416.627.7563

活动主办单位及资助者:

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From the list below, select what you need help with in order to find or secure sustainable employment:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Finding and using information | <input type="checkbox"/> Using digital technology (computer skills) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communicating ideas and information | <input type="checkbox"/> Managing your learning (goal setting and action plans) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Understanding and using numbers (math) | <input type="checkbox"/> Engaging with others ("soft skills" such as customer-service) |

The iWIN Program is offered at no cost to eligible learners by the York Region District School Board, with support from the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.



DESIGN YOUR PATH TO SUCCESS



Book your assessment today!

Date: _____ Time: _____

This program is right for you if you are a resident of Ontario (19+) and need to:

- Enhance your employability skills
- Gain or upgrade computer skills for the workplace
- Prepare for college, university or apprenticeship programs
- Prepare for a High School Credit program or GED
- Gain confidence in life, work and studies

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at Unionville High School

- A four-year, 8-credit, intensive arts high school program for artistically interested and talented students.
- Open through application and audition. Applications due: December 1, 2017.
- Dance, Drama, Winds, Vocal, Visual Arts students residing in the Arts Unionville boundary of York Region may apply.
- Strings students residing in the Arts Unionville, Arts Westmount and Arts Huron areas of York Region may apply.
- Piano students residing in all areas of York Region may apply.
- For more information and to complete our online application please go to:

unionville.hs.yrdsb.ca

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR INFORMATION SESSION:

Tuesday November 7, 2017 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Flato Markham Theatre

Complimentary tickets must be reserved by calling Flato Markham Theatre at 905-305-7469 after October 1st.

Online Applications open on November 8, 2017

October 2017

SUN

MON

TUE

WED

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FRI


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1	2 (Day 4)	3 (Day 5)	4 (Day 1)	5 (Day 2)	6 (Day 3)	7
					Picture Day	

8	9	10 (Day 4)	11 (Day 5)	12 (Day 1)	13 (Day 2)	14
	Thanksgiving (No school)		Gr.8 @ Pine Crest	Gr.8 @ Pine Crest	Gr.8 @ Pine Crest	



15	16 (Day 3)	17 (Day 4)	18 (Day 5)	19 (Day 1)	20	21
		Regional Cross Country			PA Day (No school)	

22	23 (Day 2)	24 (Day 3)	25 (Day 4)	26 (Day 5)	27 (Day 1)	28
					 Scientist in School for Gr.4 Mustang Bowl Harvest Dance for Gr.7 & 8	

29	30 (Day 2)	31 (Day 3)
		Halloween
