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# Westmount CII

October 8—19, 2018



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## *Fall colours and routines*

As we move into the holiday long weekend, it's a time to be thankful. As an Admin Team we're thankful for the smooth start up that we've had this year, the cooperation and enthusiasm of both students and staff and the support of you, our community, in ensuring our students are provided the best opportunities to learn and engage. Hopefully, over the weekend, you'll have a chance to reflect on what you're thankful for.

Starting the sixth week of the school semester means we've reached that time where routines have become established and we're looking forward to a number of opportunities and experience over the next couple of weeks. On October 15<sup>th</sup>, students will receive their Interim Reports, which serve as an early (but certainly not definitive) indicator of their performance in specific courses, to date. Beginning on October 15<sup>th</sup>, parents/guardians will be able to book appointments for your Parent Teacher's Night on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for a coffee and doughnut reception, in the Main Atrium to have quick conversations with your child's teachers between 6:30 and 7:15 p.m. Beginning at 7:20, teachers will be available for more in-depth 10 minute appointments, until 8:30.

Last week, information was shared with you about the [Every Student Counts](#) survey, which we will be conducting on November 15<sup>th</sup>, during Period 2, for the entire school. This survey presents us with a unique opportunity to collect specific data about our students, which will impact our planning processes moving forward. This survey is being conducted by a third-party organization that has been retained from the Board to ensure the security of the data. Each student will be provided with specific, personalized information on November 15<sup>th</sup>. No further action is required on your part, however should you have any questions, please feel free to contact either of the Vice Principals.

This coming week's Parent Council Meeting (on October 10<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:00 p.m.) is of particular interest to parents with students graduating this year. Join us as members of our Guidance Department present everything you've ever wanted to know (and probably more) about the application processes for post-secondary options in Ontario and information about how to pay for it (i.e. Scholarships and OSAP). No pre-registration is required, and while the information is likely most applicable to parents of graduating students, anyone is welcome to attend.

Of the many activities happening in the school currently, we are excited to share that Westmount Collegiate will be hosting the travelling Anne Frank Exhibit, from the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam. This exhibit will be taking over our library space, beginning October 9<sup>th</sup>, and students in Grade 10 History courses will have an opportunity to visit as part of their classes. The exhibit will be open to other WCI student, as well as students from other YRDSB schools over its run. If you are interested in attending, the exhibit will be open for self-guided tours during Parents Night, and also on two community evenings (with student docents) on October 30<sup>th</sup> or November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Should you have any questions, either about anything mentioned here, or anything else, please feel free to reach out to any of us in the Main Office.

Wishing you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving,

The Westmount Admin.

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## Field trips / Athletic events

### Tuesday, Oct 9

- Varsity Basketball— Home Vs Langstaff SS—Tarver
- Girls Golf—Windsor—Madill

### Wednesday, Oct 10

- Cross Country— Boyd Conservation—Alweyn, Soon Shiong

### Thursday, Oct 11

- Sr. Boys Soccer—Tommy Douglas SS—Gorewicz, Mati
- Varsity Basketball— Langstaff SS—Tarver

### Friday, Oct 12

- Basketball—Keswick SS—Hamilton, Tarver, Teixeira
- Music Retreat— Pinecrest Camp—Nixon, Shin, Alweyn, Jarvis, Capsa
- Be Heard Festival—Vaughan SS—Wagman

### Tuesday, Oct 16

- Swim Team—Vellore VillageSS—Gorewicz, Heart
- Sr. Boys Soccer—Alexander Mackenzie SS—Gorewicz, Mati
- Varsity Basketball— Home Vs Woodbridge—Tarver

### Thursday, Oct 18

- Sr. Boys Soccer—Thornhill SS—Gorewicz, Mati



## Girls Golf Team

The girls golf team participated in their first tournament of the season at Kettle Creek Golf and Country Club. All girls had a strong showing with Shehna Akbary coming in first place with a score of 61, followed by Lauren Zaretsky with a one stroke difference finishing in third place. The Goldshlager sisters had a great round with Jacky finishing in 6th place with a score of 67 and Gaby coming in 18th place with a score of 75. The new edition to our team Mirai Okada had a very strong first outing with a score of 96. Congratulations ladies and good luck on Tuesday for the Championship round.





## **Anne Frank Exhibit is coming to Westmount!**

From Oct. 15th - Nov. 8th York Region schools will be coming to Westmount to tour the Anne Frank Exhibit that is coming to us from Amsterdam's Anne Frank House.

Westmount classes, parents and community members will also have the opportunity to take the tour.

- Oct.30th and Nov 6th - Exhibit open to the public from 6:30pm-8:30pm for walk through tours.
- Oct. 25th - for Westmount Parents during Parent/Teacher Night.
- Nov. 8th - for Parents of Gr.8's on Gr.8 Open Night

## **A welcome to our new staff:**

We are pleased to welcome the following new teachers to WCI:

Ms Sukhvir Singh – Ms. Singh is joining our Careers department for the remainder of the semester. Ms. Singh attended York University and completed her teaching degree at the University of Western Ontario.

## **Golf Westmount Team goes Bronze**

Congratulations to Ben Scholes (Jr. Open golfer) and Yuqi Liu (Sr. Open golfer) for capturing the bronze medal respectfully in their divisions at YRAA golf championship on Oct 1st.



## Community class cooking program

On Friday, October 5, our Community class was cooking their Thanksgiving lunch. Students were very enthusiastic about cooking the turkey, peeling potatoes, cutting beans and vegetables. Everyone had great time cooking and eating the festive lunch.





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## HOWL Day

Thanks to the Guidance team, Green Acres, Student Council and, of course, our Wolfpack Leaders for an amazing Grade 9 Day.





## YOUR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT

Support and promote students' well-being and continuous growth in three areas: personal (student) development, interpersonal development, and career development in order to help them develop resilience and realize their potential (success) as individuals and as valuable members of society.

*-Ontario School Counsellors' Association, 2015*

## NEED AN APPOINTMENT WITH A COUNSELLOR?

### **Book an appointment. It's really easy!**

- Your child can drop by the Guidance office and Mrs. Pearlstein will book the next available appointment with their Counsellor.
- Mrs. Pearlstein will give your child a date and time for their appointment.
- Please tell your child to let Mrs. Pearlstein know if you will be attending the meeting so we can book extra time if necessary.
- Come to Guidance on the day and time of your appointment.

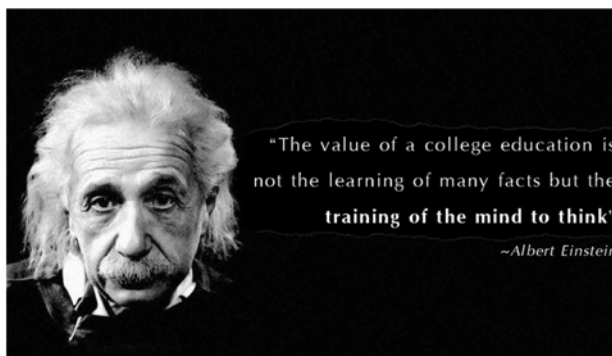
### **Have a quick question? Your child can do the following...**

- **Drop-in** to see their Counsellor. We can answer a quick question on-the-spot
- **Check-out** the YRDSB, Westmount and Guidance website
- <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/home>
- **Follow** @WCIGuidance on Twitter. Get real-time notifications regarding news, events and more. You can even tweet or direct message your question to us.

## UPCOMING EVENTS TO CONSIDER

### **Notifications/events to watch for:**

- **SHSM Student Info Sessions** – Wednesday, October 10 at 10:00 ((Gr 11 & 12) in the library #wciSHSM
- **McGill University Info Session** – Oct 10<sup>th</sup>, sign up in Guidance Oct 2nd
- **Post Destination Application Session @ Parent Council** – October 10th
- **College Fair @ the Direct Energy Centre** – Exhibition Place – October 23 & 24 #wcigrad #oncollege
- **Graduation Preparation Assembly** – Thursday, October 18 #wcigrad
- **Western Ivy Info Session** – October 26<sup>th</sup>, sign up in Guidance after Oct 15th
- **Post Destination Fair**- Nov 1 @Bayview Secondary SS 7-9pm
- **University tour of UWO and McMaster** – November 2nd
- **Scholarships**- watch Twitter for #wcimoney4school



**Stay in the Loop** All parents and guardians are invited to check out our [guidance website](#) and follow us on Twitter @WCI GUIDANCE





## Grade 12 University Tour to Western and McMaster University

**Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Interested Grade 12's come and join the Westmount Guidance Team on their annual University Tour. This year's tour will include Western and McMaster Universities. We will be meeting at 7:30 am and leaving promptly to travel to London. Our first stop is Western, where we will hear about programs and see the school's campus. After lunch at the University Community Centre, the group will be heading to McMaster for the afternoon. Once at McMaster, we will have a tour of the property, hear about programs and see a residence or two. The group will be back on the coach bus and home to Westmount C.I by approximately 6:00 pm.

The sign up is **first come, first serve** and limited to 48 students. Cost for the trip is \$34.00

**SHSM students are FREE, but must return forms by Oct 11. This would be considered a Reach Ahead!**

## University and College Workshops FOR STUDENTS

*\*\* The workshops on both dates will be the same. You choose the most convenient date*

*\*\*\*Please bring a device*

### Monday, October 29

Period 1 – College Information - Cafeteria

Period 2 – University Information - Cafeteria

### Monday, November 5

Period 3 – College Information – Room 317

Period 4 – University Information – Room 317





## School Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 10th, 2018

7:00 pm—8:30 pm— in the Library

Caring, quality, community

Please join us on Wednesday to learn more about *Applying to Colleges and Universities*

How do students apply to College & University?

What marks get sent?

What is “Early Acceptance”?

What scholarships are available?

Does it matter where my child attends school?

Our Guest Speakers will be Ms. Nat Popiel and Ms. Cynthia Jackson, Guidance Counsellors



**We hope you able to join us!**

**We look forward to seeing you there!**

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# ARTS WESTMOUNT

An Amazing High School Experience Awaits YOU!

## WELCOME TO ARTS WESTMOUNT!

The Arts Westmount is a fun-filled YRDSB program for those students who want to continue their love of the arts in high school. We offer specialized arts courses (2 credits per year) to artistically motivated students interested in Dance, Drama, Music, and Visual Arts. Come to Westmount to experience high school through the arts.



PLEASE BRING YOUR QUESTIONS TO OUR INFORMATION EVENING!!  
TUESDAY OCTOBER 16, 2018, 7:00PM- WESTMOUNT COLLEGIATE:  
1000 NEW WESTMINSTER DR, THORNHILL, L4J8G3

The evening will include a presentation, and a question and answer session in the school.



[yrdsb.ca](http://yrdsb.ca)

\*Designed by Arts Westmount student Shane Feldman



# ARTS WESTMOUNT DISCIPLINES



## DRAMA

This program is for all those who love drama! It allows you to explore all aspects of theatre in a safe and creative place. You will get instruction in everything from basic acting skills, personal expression and communication, to performances in musical and nonmusical theatre. Along the way you will have professional instruction in all the skills of the actor including film acting, singing, improvisation, modern and classical text, movement, mask, clowning, and so much more! This program will leave you with lasting memories of your high school experience and skills to last you a life time regardless of the profession you choose.



## DANCE

This program is designed for those who love to dance! It will develop your dance skills and help you learn the basis for communicating through movement. Even if you are currently working in a studio, Arts Westmount Dance will provide you with enriched and in-depth instruction to take your dance to the next level. You will study a variety of dance forms including ballet, modern, jazz and composition. You will learn about your body, nutrition, the history of dance, and more! Your experience in Arts Westmount Dance will include a wide variety of professional guest artists to help you further expand your repertoire. You will be able to participate in all Dance Department performances, guest artist workshops, trips and tours. The program puts a strong emphasis on your own personal development and working towards your potential within each designated area of dance.

## MUSIC

If you love music, then Arts Westmount Music program is for you! If you love to sing, or play in a band- the Arts Westmount music program is designed to develop and further grow your musical skills. Our program will help you become the musician you want to be. It will further your skills as a singer or player and give you performance experiences in solo and small repertoire situations throughout high school. You will get a chance to go on great field trips, learn from amazing guest artists and teachers and grow as a musician. Make the most of your time in high school by joining Arts Westmount Music (\*Strings, Piano, Guitar not offered)



## VISUAL ART

This program is geared toward those of you who love to create with visual art! It will give you the opportunity to grow as an artist in every way. In your time in Arts Westmount Visual Arts you will get to learn in-depth about drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics and crafts. You will also receive instruction in cool tech arts like media arts, computer arts, digital photography, film and video. Field trips and guest artists will complement and further enrich your experience. By the end of this program you will have a filled portfolio with amazing work created by you.



[yrdsb.ca](http://yrdsb.ca)

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# ANNE FRANK

## A HISTORY FOR TODAY EXHIBIT

WHEN:

OCT. 8-NOV. 9, 2018

OPEN TO THE  
PUBLIC:

NOV. 6 &  
OCT. 30

WHERE:

Westmount C.I. Library

1000 New Westminster Dr. Thornhill ON

TO BOOK: [WESTMOUNT.CI@YRDSB.CA](mailto:WESTMOUNT.CI@YRDSB.CA)

(905) 882-0277

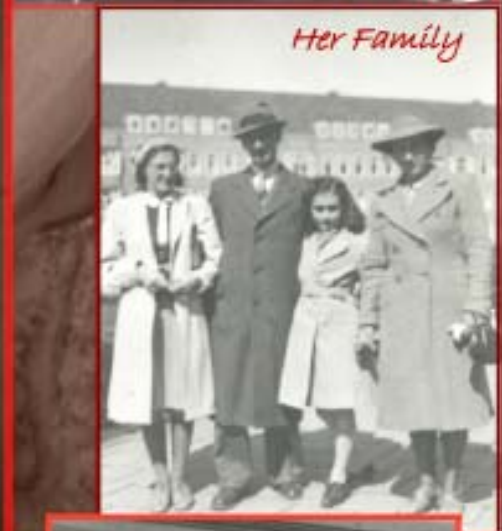


Photo collection of the Anne Frank Stichting (Amsterdam)



**JACS** Presents

*What To  
Expect When  
You're Expecting  
Legalization*

Perspectives and Guidance  
For Young Adults and Parents

October 21<sup>st</sup> 2018 - 7:30 pm

Thornhill Community Shul, 949 Clark Ave. West, Thornhill

RSVP appreciated at [info@jacstoronto.org](mailto:info@jacstoronto.org)

David Kaufman, Director of Outreach & Education at JACS, CCAC  
Rabbi Benny Kamchaji, RPH, BSC, PharmD

Opening Remarks:

Rabbi Avram Rothman, Rabbi of Thornhill Community Shul, Masters in Counselling



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## **GOT OLD GLASSES???**

IF YOU HAVE GLASSES YOU NO LONGER USE, PLEASE FEEL FREE  
TO DROP THEM OFF TO TARVER IN RM 146 FOR DONATION  
EACH SET WILL BE SENT TO A THIRD WORLD COUNTRY FOR THE  
LESS FORTUNATE





# groups & workshops

## OCTOBER 2018

For more information or to register please call Shawna Sidney at 416-638-7800 x 6215 or visit our website at [jfandcs.com/groups](http://jfandcs.com/groups)

As with all of our programs, registration is required. Our groups and workshops are open to all members of the community regardless of cultural, religious and/or racial background and we offer a sliding scale for those who require fee reductions.

### BEYOND THE CHUPPAH, BECOMING A COUPLE

A five session Marriage Preparation group for couples who are going to be married in the next year. Topics include: Changing roles and expectations, finances, conflict negotiation and resolution, communication, and Jewish home and family life. This program is offered in partnership with the Rabbinical Assembly- Ontario Region.

Tuesday, October 9, 2018  
7:00pm to 9:00pm  
1700 Bathurst Street  
Beth Tzedec Congregation

### MIND BODY CONNECTION FOR WOMEN PART 2 \*BRAND NEW\*

Join us for a 6 session series that continues building on the practice of Mindfulness for those who have already taken the part 1 group. Topics include: reducing stress and anxiety; gaining insights into limiting thoughts and habits; exploring self-worth and self-esteem; fostering positivity and happiness.

Wednesday, October 10, 2018  
6:30pm to 8:00pm  
35 Madison Ave  
Gordon S. Wolfe Branch

### THE CHALLENGE OF ANGER FOR WOMEN

A five session group for women who want to learn how to express their anger in an assertive, non-aggressive way. Topics include: understanding what triggers your anger; emotional and physical responses to anger and alternative techniques to express your anger.

Wednesday, October 17, 2018  
7:30pm to 9:00pm  
4600 Bathurst St  
Lipa Green Centre



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# October 2018

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	1	2	3	4 * Gr .9 Rep Election—P.2	5	6
7	8 <b>Thanksgiving Day</b>	9	10 * School Council * Photo Retake Day	11 * Awards Assembly—P.1	12	13
14	15 * Parent Teacher Appoint- ments Open * Interim Reports Distribu- tion	16 * Arts Info Night	17	18 * Graduation Prep Assem- bly—Gr. 12	19	20
21	22 <b>PA DAY</b>	23 * ON College Fair	24	25 * Parents Night	26	27
28	29	30	31 * Halloween			

## SCHOOL BUS CANCELLATION NOTICE

**Please remember that if the school buses are cancelled in the morning, then they will NOT operate in the afternoon.** Therefore, if you drive your children to school in the morning, you must also pick them up from school at 3:50 p.m. When buses are cancelled, it does not necessarily mean that schools are closed. Schools usually remain open with a modified program. To find out whether or not the buses are cancelled, please check the following website: [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) or access the following radio or television stations:

### Radio

CFRB 1010 AM      CHUM 1050 AM      CHUM 104.5      CHIN 1540 AM      NEWS 680  
 AM CJEZ 97.3      CKDX 88.5 AM      CHFI 98.1 FM      CHIN 100.7      CBC 99.1  
 FM CKFM 99.9 FM      Q107.1 FM

### Television

CITY TV, CFTO TV, THE WEATHER CHANNEL

A bus cancellation message will also be available at 1-877-330-3001.

