

Westmount CII

Mar 18—29, 2019



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Dear Families and Community Members,

The second semester is now well underway! Shortly, you will be receiving the Semester 2 Interim Report Card. They will be distributed on March 18th. This report will give you an indication of your son/daughter's initial achievement in their current courses. Should you have any other inquiries, please don't hesitate to contact your son or daughter's teachers directly.

Before we begin building the timetable for next year we are giving the students one more chance to make changes. Right after March Break, we will be sending home a Course Verification sheet. Students can make changes on this form and return it to us by March 22nd.

We use these course selections to create our timetable for next year, so it is very important that the students choose the courses, and alternate courses, that they would like to see on their timetables for next year.

We are very proud to announce that during the recent provincial DECA competition six of our students won their category and qualified for the international DECA competition which is taking place in April in Atlanta, Georgia. We wish them the best of luck and look forward to hearing about their accomplishments.

We are also very proud to let you know that our "Spoken Word" team won the Area West finals and will be moving on to the next round of competition. We wish them Good Luck!

Our Semester 1 Awards Ceremony took place on March 7th. It was a wonderful event and students and parents enjoyed the ceremony and the cookies! Thank you to all the parents who attended our celebration. It is wonderful to have so much support for our students and our school.

Our second semester Parents Night is going to take place on Thursday March 28th. Our evening will begin in the Atrium from 6:30 pm to 7:15 pm. This will give all parents an opportunity to meet all teachers informally and have a quick conversation on how things are going in the classroom. Light refreshments will be provided. At 7:15 pm we will move into the formal portion of the evening. Appointments will be required at this time and can be booked on-line starting Monday, March 18, via Edsby. Registration emails for parents new to Edsby were sent last week. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Other dates worth notes in the coming weeks are:

- ✓ March 20th – School Council Meeting
- ✓ March 21st – Grade 10 Assembly – OSSLT Information
- ✓ March 26th – "Purple Day" for Epilepsy – we ask all staff and students to wear purple!
- ✓ March 27th – Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test Day

With warmest regards,
Sheri Epstein
Principal

Message From Our Trustee

I hope everyone has had a great start to the second half of the school year. Over the past few months, I have had an opportunity to connect with families, students, staff members and with our broader community. I have seen a lot of exciting opportunities for students to explore their interests, celebrate their identities, and develop skills and knowledge that will benefit them in the future.

Many students are participating in [skills competitions](#) or other events where they problem-solve, innovate, collaborate and further develop their technical skills. Students compete in robotics, construction, hairdressing, transportation, 3D animation and much more. These events are among the many options available to help students explore different careers and [pathways](#), and gain valuable experience. We are grateful for the support of community partners in helping to provide these great learning opportunities to our students.

I also want to express my appreciation to our broader school community. One of the priorities in our [Multi-Year Strategic Plan](#) is to build collaborative relationships. The relationships that our schools have with families is so important. There are many different ways you can be involved - talking to your child's teacher, asking your child about homework, or volunteering on a field trip or the school council. Your contributions make a difference to your child's success and to the success of our schools.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable March Break.

David Sherman
Trustee

Semester 2 Parent's Night Appointment Schedule

With Semester 2 underway, we wanted to remind you that our Semester 2 Parent's Night will take place on Thursday March 28th from 6:30 until 8:30. Please join us between 6:30 and 7:15 p.m. in the school atrium, for a Meet and Greet sessions with all teachers. This is a great opportunity for you to connect with those teachers who you don't really need a full-length appointment with. Beginning at 7:20, teachers will be available for ten-minute interviews, to discuss specific concerns about your child. Appointment bookings will open by the end of the day on March 18th, 2019. These appointments are limited and offered on a first-come, first served basis. In the event that you are unable to schedule an appointment with your child's teacher on Parents Night, you are able to set up an appointment at another, mutually agreeable time. Staff email addresses can be found by visiting our [online staff directory](#).

Westmount Welcomes

Hello, my name is **Wendy Kim** and it is my privilege to be joining Westmount Collegiate Institute as the new math teacher. It has only been few days but I am already fueled by the positive energy and passion from the team of staff and students. Having been raised up in the nearby community of Richmond Hill throughout my childhood and teen years, coming back to the neighbourhood as a teacher brings back many of my own memories as a high school student. It feels like a full circle moment for me, and I hope to create more unforgettable memories here at Westmount. I would also like to thank you in advance for your great partnership with me to help support your child's success. If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to building great experiences at Westmount with everyone.

Hello WCI staff, my name is **Ivan Tran**. I am a LTO teacher in the physical education department. I went to Brock University for my undergraduate degree and recently graduated from teachers college at York University in June 2018. I am excited to be part of this school community and I look forward to meeting and getting to know you all throughout the rest of this semester.

BARE NECESSITIES RE-OPENS FOR SEASON 29 - Monday, March 18th

Come by Bare Necessities to load your student / staff card with cash between 9:45 and 10:05 am daily as well as between 8:15 and 8:40 on Thursdays and Fridays with Mr. Coates. Then shop all day for clothing, snacks or Westmount SWAG. See clothing order forms for details.

Westmount Slam Poetry

Congratulations to the Westmount Slam Poetry team who came in first in the West Regionals and are now off to the YRDSB semifinals on March 22nd. All of Westmount wishes coaches Ashley Hermalin and Juliana Sarychev and their spoken word artists the best of luck as they try to make it to the York Region finals for the second year in a row.

FINAL CALL FOR YEARBOOK ORDERS

If you have not purchased your yearbook for 2018-2019 - please go to cash-online and place your order.

Westmount Wolves

- Congratulations to Sharon Markman who placed second in the third annual Westmount Invitational Badminton Tournament.
- Congratulations to Maia Koloditzky who competed at the OFSAA swim championships this week in Toronto. Maia is the first swimmer from Westmount to represent the school at this level.



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SNAP Floor Hockey Tournament

On March 5 our Community class participated in the SNAP floor hockey tournament at Richmond Green Secondary School. We played with teams from Vaughan SS and Richmond Green SS. Our goalie Lilliana was defending the net as well as defenders Jiten and Lauren. Patrick and Ilya were very successful forwards as attacked the net of the opposing teams. We lost in the first game but learned from our mistakes. The second game was very interesting and successful for our team. The score was 21:10. Patrick and Ilya did not stop scoring. The team was tired and happy. As a trophy we brought home ribbons. Way to go!



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Westmount Trip to the Art Gallery of Ontario

On Friday March 1, 2019, the students from Miss Folmeg's Grade 9 and Ms Ivanovic's Grade 10 and 11 Visual Arts classes travelled downtown to visit the AGO. Ms Folmeg's class enjoyed a guided tour and lesson on past and current Indigenous Canadian Art, along with the AGO's efforts to collaborate with the First Nations community from the area. Ms Ivanovic's class took part in a studio lesson on printmaking and a good part of their visit was devoted to carving and printing their lino block designs. It was quite an experience to learn from one of the working artists affiliated with the gallery!



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Gr. 12 photography use digital double exposures to explore personal identity in the Me, Myself & Eye project



Chef à L'école

Cette semaine les élèves de français en 9ième année dans les classes de Mme Jarvis et Mme Mati ont eu l'occasion de participer à une session de Chef à L'école. Nous nous sommes beaucoup amusés dans la cuisine! Les élèves ont fait des « Pets de Soeurs » une confection délicieuse avec les pommes et de la cannelle. Après les avoir cuits, nous les avons mangés avec la crème fouetté à la cannelle et le thé de pomme. C'était une expérience magnifique!

This week the Grade 9 French students in Mme Jarvis and Mme Mati's classes had the opportunity to participate in a Chef à L'école session. We had a lot of fun in the kitchen! The students made "Nun's farts", a delicious pastry with apples and cinnamon. After cooking them, we were able to eat them with cinnamon whipped cream and apple tea. It was an amazing experience!



Arts Westmount Vocal Festival

"The Westmount Concert Choir has participated in their first vocal festival of the school year at Central Peel Secondary School in Brampton. With a successful gold rating, the choir has been invited to participate in the national vocal festival. Despite the numerous snow days and short time frame to learn the new songs, the choir was dedicated to their performance and put on a great performance. Congratulations!"



SKI/SNOWBOARD TEAM

We are wrapping up the 2019 Ski and Snowboard season. We've had a great season with many personal bests and a lot of fun on the slopes.

We are proud of the accomplishments of all of you.

A special shout-out to Alice Fours picked up a couple of medals and qualified for OFSAA. Alice placed 10th overall, out of 110.

A huge congratulations to all.

Looking forward to our 2020 season.





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

COURSE SELECTION 2019-2020

On Wednesday, March 20th all students will receive a verification of their course selection. Student can make changes to their course selection directly on this verification form. Please read the form carefully and follow the instructions. The form needs to be signed by a parent/guardian and returned to the Guidance office by Friday, March 22 – with or without changes. After March 22nd, no further changes can be made to a course selection. The course selection process and timeline can be found at <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/course-selection>. For real time notifications and updates, follow @WCIGuidance on Twitter. Use #wcicourseselection.

GRADUATION CLASS NEWS AN UPDATE

Students and parents/guardians are encouraged to review the updated "Graduating Class NEWS" page of the guidance website <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/graduation> Items that have been updated include: **OUAC/OCAS grades** transmission dates, part-time status and **full disclosure** dates, final **GRAD assembly** date, **Prom, valedictorian** nomination and voting process, **community service** hours due date, **graduation ceremony** date and time and the **graduation awards of excellence** deadline.

FYI:

-The Class of 2019 Awards of Excellence are due to Guidance by end-of-day Friday, March 29th

-Community services hours for graduation are due Friday, June 7th

Students following @WCIGuidance on Twitter will receive reminders for all of the above important events and dates. Look under hashtag #wcigrad

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.

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



Field trips / Athletic events

Tuesday, Mar 19

- Snow Valley Ski Resort—Alweyn, Tran, Grossi, Cohen, Draxler

Thursday, Mar 21

- Orange Theory Fitness—Harte

Friday, Mar 22

- Slam Poetry Semi Finals—Wagman, Williams

Tuesday, Wednesday, mar 26, 27

- HOSA Competition—Metro Convention Centre—Chan

Friday, Mar 29

- Music Alive Festival—Newmarket Theatre—Nixon, Shin



WESTMOUNT APPAREL



Hype Pull-On Hoodie



Black Fitted Mid Profile Cap



Long Sleeve Shirt



Short Sleeve T-Shirts



Black Knit Skull Cap



Hooded Sweatshirt

Please load student card with Mr. Coates for total purchase amount at Bare Necessities, Monday-Friday 9:45am-10:05am as well as Thursday and Fridays 8:15am-8:40am. Then submit order form and make final purchase (with student card) at Bare Necessities with student employee. Please choose sizes carefully. All orders are made to order. Sizing samples are available at Bare Necessities.



Westmount Collegiate Institute - Apparel 2018

Student Name: _____

Daytime Phone #: _____ Period 2 Teacher: _____



Hype Pull-Over Hoodie

100% Performance Polyester
Fleece With Full Front
Decoration

100% Premium Fully
Embroidered Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Black Marle					
Black					
White					

x \$65.00

Personalization
to appear on lower back
(First Name or Last Name)

x \$7.00

TOTAL: _____



Hooded Sweatshirt

50/50 Cotton/Polyester
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Dark Heather					
Black					
White					

x \$35.00

Personalization
to appear on lower back
(First Name or Last Name)

x \$7.00

TOTAL: _____



Long Sleeve Shirt

100% Cotton
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Dark Heather					
Black					
White					

x \$20.00

Personalization
to appear on lower back
(First Name or Last Name)

x \$7.00

TOTAL: _____



Short Sleeve T-Shirt

100% Cotton
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Dark Heather					
Black					
White					

x \$15.00

Personalization
to appear on lower back
(First Name or Last Name)

x \$7.00

TOTAL: _____



Black Knit Skull Cap

100% Cotton
Embroidered Front Logo

QTY: _____ x \$18.00

TOTAL: _____



Black Fitted Mid Profile Cap

97/3 Washed Cotton/Spandex Twill
Embroidered Front Logo

QTY: _____ x \$20.00

TOTAL: _____

GRAND TOTAL

Prices include all applicable taxes

JEWISH FAMILY &CHILD

For more information or to register please call Shawna Sidney at 416-638-7800 x 6215 or visit our website at jfundcs.com/groups

groups & workshops

MARCH 2019

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.

LIVING WITH TEENS

Parenting your adolescent without losing your cool. A six session group for parents of teenagers. Topics include: setting appropriate limits; learning to let go; parent's rights and responsibilities; keeping the lines of communication open; realistic expectations, and the pressures of drugs, alcohol, dating and sexuality.

Tuesday, March 19, 2019
7:30pm to 9:00pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre



facebook.com/jfundcs

March 2019

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3	4	5	6	7 * Awards Assembly (P1)	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<h1>March Break</h1>						
17	18 * Interim Reports Distributed * Parents Night Appointments Open	19	20 * School Council * Course verification Distributed	21 * OSSLT Assembly	22 * Course verification due	23
24	25	26	27 * OSSLT	28 * Parents Night	29	30
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SCHOOL BUS CANCELLATION NOTICE

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be **region-wide** meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries which prevents the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.

Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. **If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.**

A bus cancellation message will be available at www.schoolbuscity.com, by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on Twitter.

Parents, students and school staff may also access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM 640 AM 680 AM 860 AM 1010 AM 1050 AM
 1540 AM 1580 AM 88.5 FM 89.9 FM 92.5 FM 93.1 FM
 94.9 FM 95.9 FM 97.3 FM 98.1 FM 99.1 FM 99.9 FM
 101.1 FM 102.1 FM 104.5 FM 100.7 FM 105.9
 107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

