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WESTMOUNT CI



April 23 May 4, 2018

Attendance: 905.882.0277 x 238

Inspire Learning!

Principal: Sheri Epstein

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Vice-Principal: Todd Taylor



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Message from the Admin Team

Dear Families and Community Members:

It is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of April and the beginning of May with the weather we have been experiencing. I am hopeful that things will improve soon and the meteorologists are promising that warmer temperatures and sunshine are on their way. As usual we are very busy at Westmount CI AS our students enter the second half of the second semester, otherwise known as the "home stretch". It is hard to believe that we have only 40 school days until exams!

On April 17th we held our annual OneMatch Bone Marrow Swab event. We added 128 new registrants to the Canadian Bone Marrow Registry which is an amazing number! We thank the students and teachers who were able to participate in this very worthy cause. To date, Westmount CI has registered more than 600 students and 1 match has occurred and that student donated their bone marrow and helped save a life!

On April 18th, Westmount CI hosted an Open House for grade 6 & 7 students and their families. This was an opportunity for our younger friends to get their first taste of high school and learn a bit about what is coming in their future. We had a great turnout and it was awesome meeting some future "wolves". Thank you to Mr. Conte for hosting this wonderful event.

On April 19th, We held our Relay for Life Rally Assembly to inform students about this year's Relay for Life event on May 24th and get them excited for this super fun day of fundraising to raise money for the Canadian Cancer Society.

On April 20th, Mr. Coates is leaving for Atlanta, Georgia with a small, but mighty group of students to attend the DECA International Competition. Our students will be competing with thousands of students from across the United States, Canada and elsewhere in the world, in areas such as hotel management, finance, marketing and entrepreneurship. Best of luck Westmount DECA team!

Our sports teams have also been very busy as well. Our Badminton team has done very well this year and all the students had a great team competing in the region. The Track & Field team is getting ready for some upcoming track meets. Westmount's Boy's baseball team is starting their tryouts and really looking forward to getting the season underway! We look forward to hearing more from them. Girls' soccer is underway and their season has just started as well. We are very proud of all our athletic students who take the time to practice and participate in the many different teams that we offer; high school is more fun when you get involved.

Upcoming Important Dates:

- April 23rd – Poetry Slam Team participating the Finals at Richmond Hill H.S.
- April 24th – Mid-term Report Cards are distributed in homerooms
- April 25th – Trip to London, Paris and Iceland departs – Bon Voyage to all!
- April 27th – Debating Club Competition at Thornhill S.S.
- May 2nd – Science Club participating in the Science Olympics at Seneca@York
- May 3rd – ARTS Banquet
- May 4th – P.D. Day

We wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

Sheri Epstein
Principal

Wednesday, April 25

- Baycrest Health Science Centre - Gr.9 Visual Arts - Clarfield

Thursday, April 26

- ROM - Malatesta, Vaccarelli

Friday, April 27

- Debating Club Competition—Thornhill SS—Bath

Tuesday, May 1

- Badminton - Gorewicz, Jarvis

Wednesday, May 2

- Baycrest Health Science Centre - Gr.9 Visual Arts - Clarfield
- Science Olympics—Seneca @ York U—Wodlinger, Nguyen

Thursday, May 3

- Pacific Mall - Rosen, Katyshev



Spoken Word team

We are very excited and proud to announce that, for the first time in school history, the Westmount Spoken Word team will be competing in the York Region Slam Finals this Monday, April 23rd at 6:00 p.m. at Richmond Hill High School. All are welcome. Come out and support your team. For more information, contact Mr. Wagman.

YRDSB Science Olympics

The annual YRDSB Science Olympics is a competition that encourages and promotes skills and attitudes preparing learners for success in the 21st century. The goal is to increase scientific literacy and global citizenship through problem-based learning, inquiry and performance tasks. We are sending 20 students this year (2 junior and 2 senior teams). Last year we came home with 3 medals including a gold in the senior biology event! Wish us luck.

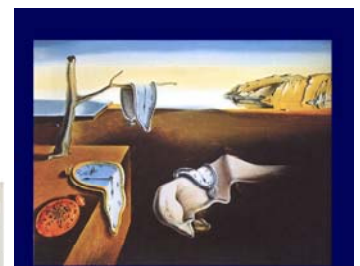
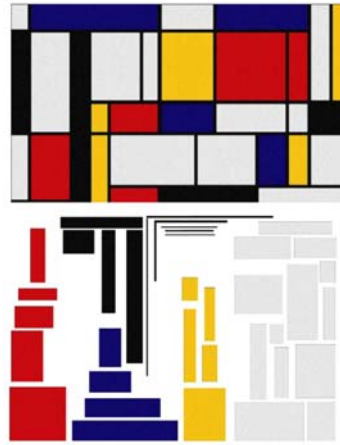
Westmount Apparel

Please see attached flyer for details on styles, sizes and prices.

Please come to **Bare Necessities** between 8:15 and 8:35 and 12:30-12:45 Monday-Friday to load your student / staff card with cash (with Mr. Coates). Then return to the store, at your convenience, to process your order with a student employee. Our first orders will be placed April 16th.

Tidying Up Art

Grade 11 Media Arts students explored the idea of "Tidying Up Art", inspired by the artist Ursus Wehri. Students used Photoshop to re-organize a famous work of art. They explored categorizing or even playing on concept. Enjoy!"



@WCI Guidance Team UPDATES

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** @WCI Guidance on Twitter. Get real-time notifications regarding news, events and more. You can even tweet or direct message your question to us.

GRADUATION CLASS NEWS

The Graduating Class NEWS page of the Guidance website has been updated. Please visit <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/graduation> Follow @WCI Guidance on Twitter for real-time #wcigrad updates.

Graduation Ceremony IMPORTANT NOTE! Friday, June 1 is the last day to RSVP for the Graduation Ceremony. You must pick-up your cap, gown and tickets by end of day Friday, June 1st!

Grade 12 Midterm Mark Transmission

Thursday, April 26 for both OUAC and OCAS

Grade 11 and 12 Full Disclosure

Wednesday, April 25

HOW TO DROP A CLASS – GRADE 11 and 12

The process is easy! Here's how <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/dropping-a-course> #wcidropacourse

Part-time Status Request

Wednesday, April 18 to Tuesday, April 24
Period 5 – Drop-in to Guidance for the paperwork

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Community involvement opportunities will be tweeted out using #wcigetinvolved. Grade 12 students need to have their 40 hours of community service completed by May 31, 2018 in order to be eligible for graduation. <https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/community-service-hours>



MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Check the main page of the [Guidance website](#) for an updated list of Guidance related dates and events. Dates and events are tweeted using #wcievent. Follow us @WCI Guidance.

Stay in the Loop

Follow @WCI Guidance on Twitter. Visit the Guidance website regularly for important news, information and announcements.

<https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/home>

Guidance Appointments

Need an appointment with your Guidance Counselor?

Here's how to book an appointment:

<https://sites.google.com/site/wciguideance/>

Follow us on twitter @WCI Guidance or check the website regularly for updates as to when you can begin booking Guidance appointments.



[@WCI Guidance](#)



FAST TRACK Student Conference

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The York Region District School Board are pleased to invite your child to the annual ***Fast Track Student Conference***, which takes place on **Tuesday, May 22, 2018**, from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM at the Edward Village Hotel (50 East Valhalla Drive, Markham).

The focus of the ***Fast Track Student Conference*** is to celebrate the success of graduating students who will be seeking full-time employment, apprenticeship or entrepreneurship opportunities, or other post-secondary education upon completion of high school at the end of this semester. This day promises to be both exciting and informative. Students will attend a special presentation on life management, inspiring students to take control of their own life to start creating the future they desire. Students will then hear keynote speakers sharing information with regards to the transition to the world of work, apprenticeship information, finding jobs, employment resources in York Region, and entrepreneurship. All of the activities are designed to heighten their awareness of employment/pathways opportunities and skills required for the world of work in the 21st Century.

In the afternoon, students are invited to attend a *Pathways and Career Expo* which will provide a valuable opportunity for these students to:

- Become informed about local services to assist with their preparation for entry to the workplace, to begin an apprenticeship or start a small business;
- Connect with local employers, trade unions, industry representatives, training agencies and small business to discover opportunities for which students may be eligible;

Explore post-secondary pathways and potential career opportunities.

Transportation and lunch will be provided for all registered students, and they will be supervised by teachers from their high school. Please make sure your son/daughter contacts a teacher in one of the following departments to request to be registered for the conference: Co-op, Guidance, Personalized Alternative Education, Student Success or Technology. Spaces are limited, and students must be registered by Monday, May 7th, 2018.

FAST TRACK

EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE

GRADE 12 STUDENT CONFERENCE CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESS – YOU MADE IT!

WHO?

GRADE 12 GRADUATING STUDENTS entering the workforce, apprenticeship and/or starting your own small business.

WHAT?

CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESS – YOU MADE IT!

- Become informed about local services to prepare you for entry to the workplace, begin an apprenticeship or start a small business.
- Explore different pathways and career opportunities to help you start out after high school.

NEW FOR THIS YEAR— PATHWAYS & CAREER EXPO!

- Connect directly with local employers, trade unions, industry representatives, small business supports, and post-secondary programs to discover opportunities for which you may be eligible.

WHERE?

EDWARD VILLAGE HOTEL, MARKHAM

WHEN?

**TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018
9:00 AM TO 2:30 PM**

HOW?

REGISTER TODAY! SEE YOUR GUIDANCE, CO-OP, PAE, TECHNOLOGY OR STUDENT SUCCESS TEACHER



EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EIAC) ISLAMOPHOBIA SUB-COMMITTEE

You are invited to attend a community consultation regarding:

Islamophobia at YRDSB schools

We are seeking youth, families and community members to provide input related to islamophobia and experiences of Muslims in York Region public schools. EIAC will be providing recommendations to the board based on these consultations.

There are four community consultations hosted by York Region District School Board's Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee. Please join us.

April 20	3:30pm – 5pm	Maple High School, 50 Springside Road, Maple, ON L6A 2W5
April 23	6:30pm – 8pm	Dr John M Denison SS, 135 Bristol Road, Newmarket, ON L3Y 8J7
April 26	6pm – 7:30pm	H G Bernard PS, 245 Bernard Avenue, Richmond Hill, ON L4S 1E1
May 12	12:30pm – 2pm	Middlefield CI, 525 Highglen Avenue, Markham, ON L3S 3L5

[Registration online is preferred however not mandatory.](#)

For more information, accessibility, childminding, transportation or translation requirements, please contact:

Freyja Phillips by email at: freya.phillips@yrdsb.ca

Light refreshments will be provided.



EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EIAC) ANTISEMITISM SUB-COMMITTEE

You are invited to attend a community consultation regarding:

Antisemitism at YRDSB schools

We are seeking youth, families and community members to provide input related to antisemitism in York Region public schools. EIAC will be providing recommendations to the board based on these consultations.

There are three community consultations hosted by York Region District School Board's Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee. Please join us.

April 29	9:45 – 11:45am	Thornhill Woods PS, 341 Thornhill Woods Drive, Thornhill, ON L4J 8V6
May 10	7pm – 9pm	Richmond Green SS, 1 William Bell Parkway, Richmond Hill, ON L4S 2T9
May 16	7pm – 9pm	Dr John M Denison SS, 135 Bristol Road, Newmarket, ON L3Y 8J7

[Registration online is preferred however not mandatory.](#)

For more information, accessibility, childminding, transportation or translation requirements, please contact:

Freyja Phillips by email at: freya.phillips@yrdsb.ca

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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 8:15-8:35 am and 12:30-12:45 pm - 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 x \$7.00
to appear on lower back (First Name or Last Name)

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 x \$7.00
to appear on lower back (First Name or Last Name)

TOTAL: _____



Long Sleeve Shirt

100% Cotton
2 Colour Imprint Front Logo

	S	M	L	XL	2XL
Dark Heather					
Black					
White					

x \$20.00

Personalization x \$7.00
to appear on lower back (First Name or Last Name)

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 x \$7.00
to appear on lower back (First Name or Last Name)

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



groups & workshops

MAY 2018

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

THE CHALLENGE OF ANGER FOR WOMEN

A six 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, May 2, 2018
1:30pm to 3:00pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

MIND, BODY, CONNECTION for Women PART 1

Join us in a six session group for women who want to begin learning the practice of mindfulness and meditation in a safe and supportive group setting. Topics will include: stress and anxiety reduction, connecting with your mind and body, enhancing your self-worth and self-esteem, and learning about general relaxation and happiness.

Wednesday, May 2, 2018
2:00pm to 3:30pm OR
7:00pm to 8:30pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

WIDOW/WIDOWERS over 65+ BEREAVEMENT

A six session daytime group for men and women over 65 years of age and who have recently lost a partner or spouse. Topics to be discussed may include: coping with grief, living with loneliness, changing relationships, and new beginnings.

Thursday, May 3, 2018
1:30pm to 3:00pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

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.

Thursday, May 3 | 2-3:30pm
4600 Bathurst St
OR
Tuesday, May 8 | 6:30- 8pm
35 Madison Ave

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; parents rights and responsibilities; keeping the lines of communication open; realistic expectations, and the pressures of drugs, alcohol, dating and sexuality.

Thursday, May 3, 2018
7:30pm to 9:0pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

MIND BODY CONNECTION FOR MEN * BRAND NEW*

Join us for this brand new 6 session program for men who want to learn mindfulness and meditation in a safe and supportive group setting. Topics will include: stress and anxiety reduction, connecting with your mind and body, self-worth and self-esteem and general relaxation and happiness.

Monday, May 7 | 7:30-9pm
9600 Bathurst St
Lebovic Community Centre
OR
Wednesday, May 9 | 7:30-9pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

LIFE SKILLS FOR TODAY'S WOMAN

A six session wellness group for women wanting to discuss relevant issues and wanting to make a change in their lives. Topics include: Time and stress management; building self-esteem; becoming more assertive and improving communication skills.

Wednesday, May 9, 2018
7:00pm to 9:00pm
9600 Bathurst St
Lebovic Community Centre



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IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO DATE

A one session workshop for men and women in midlife (40+) who have been single for 2 or more years and are looking for information on how to nurture a lasting relationship. Topics include: dating myths and facts, the 5 stages of dating, the difference between the dating behaviours of men and women.

Tuesday, May 15, 2018
7:00pm to 9:30pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

EFFECTIVE PARENTING

A four session group to help parents of children ages 2 to 10 years, learn what they can do to raise a happy, motivated and well behaved child. Topics include: how to; nurture self- esteem, encourage problem solving, increase communication and set appropriate limits and discipline.

Wednesday, May 16, 2018
7:00pm to 9:00pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

PARENTING THE CHILD/TEEN WITH ADHD

This is a four week group for parents of children/teens diagnosed with ADHD who are wanting to learn more about ADHD and develop strategies for assisting their children at home and at school.

Thursday, May 17, 2018
7:00pm to 9:00pm
4600 Bathurst St
Lipa Green Centre

MAY 2018

Su	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sa
		1	2	3 * Valedictorian Nominations close * ARTS Banquet	4 PA DAY	5
6	7 * Valedictorian Voting Begins * Student Council nomination forms DUE to Guidance * Venture Week	8 * Venture Week	9 * School Council * Gr.11 Arts Drama performance	10 * Gr.11 Arts Drama performance	11 * Valedictorian Voting Ends	12
13	14 * Student Council Election Campaign Week	15 * Student Council Election Campaign Week	16 * Student Council Election Campaign Week	17 * Student Council Election Campaign Week	18 * Student Council Election HR Voting	19
20	21 VICTORIA DAY	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 * Gr 9 & 11 Guidance visits * Student Council Inauguration Meeting	29 * Gr 9 & 11 Guidance visits	30 * Drama Show * Gr 9 & 11 Guidance visits	31 * Drama Show * Gr 9 & 11 Guidance visits		

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 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.

