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2014-2015 End of Year

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<u>Please check our website</u> regularly for updates.



NEWS & EVENTS

PARENTS

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Message from Admin Team

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we head into the summer we would like to thank all of you for your help and support with our students this year. We strongly believe that when parents are involved in their children's education students and schools benefit in a positive way. We look forward to working with you again in September.

We are so proud of both our staff and students for all that they have accomplished this year. It has been quite a journey since September...

We have:

- participated in the Terry Fox Run
- played hockey, volleyball, baseball, ultimate Frisbee, basketball, soccer, tennis, golf and badminton
- performed, sculpted, danced, acted, sketched, photoshopped, sang, played many instruments, and painted
- we visited Italy, Florida, went to the Aquarium, Science Centre, and the ROM
- had guest speakers visit the school to talk about computer safety and social media, traffic safety and social justice
- had a school dance, haunted house, camp days, school colour days, semi-formal, Relay for Life, swabbed, donated blood and of course Westock
- we raised thousands of dollars for charity!
- we celebrated our students academic achievement at our awards ceremony
- participated in math contests and Science Olympics
- studied hard, written EQAO, completed summatives, culminating activities, written exams and accumulated thousands of credits!

It has truly been an outstanding year! Congratulations to all of our graduates, we wish them all the best on their future endeavors.

Some important reminders:

- Reports cards for students in grades 9-11 will be mailed home in mid-July
- Grade 12 students can pick up their report cards, diploma, transcript, composite photo beginning the week of July 13th
- Beginning this September, our school will be accepting online payments through School Cash
 Online. School related expenses such as field trips and registration fees will be online soon for you
 to make payment. See additional information for registering for school Cash Online in this bulletin
- Registration for all students for the 2015-2016 school year will be on Tuesday, September 1st from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Wishing everyone a safe and restful!

Sheri Epstein, Lisa Wargo, and Sheldon Zelsman

These 2 Weeks

Annual Athletic Banquet

On Tuesday June 9 Westmount held it annual athletic banquet honouring all student athletes in the school who have represented Westmount in York Regionals and Ontario. A big thank you goes out to all coaches whom have generously taken time out of their personal lives to provide inspiration, leadership and guidance to the athletes. Thank you to the adminstrative team for supporting the development of athletes in the school and to teachers who have accommodated the interruptions in their class times to support the athletes.

Below is a list of the athletes whom received awards for their *hard work, character and sports-manship*.

Grade 9 Most Promising Athlete Female- Carly Shea

Grade 9 Most Promising Athlete Male- Jacob Levy

Grade 10 Athlete of the Year Female- Camilla Markman

Grade 10 Athlete of the Year Male- Cody Kotansky

Senior Athlete of the Year Female- Olivia Guido

Senior Athlete of the Year Male- Jonathan Benmordecai

Athletic Achievement to Graduating Student- Keira Crook and Daniel Shuman

Outstanding Contribution to Athletics- Ashley Zwaiman

The following is a list of the *Most Valuable Players* on a team

Caroline Levy- Cross Country

Ronnie Bodik- Varsity Boys Soccer

Michael Davidov- Varisty Boys Soccer

Sammy Raskin- Varsity Boys Volleyball, Co-ed Ultimate,

Jake Fromowitz- Boys Golf

Jordan Petroccia- Tennis

Camilla Markman- Tennis

Jordan Barsky- Varsity boys Basketball

Jackie Gerson- Junior Girls Volleyball

Olivia Guido- Senior Girls Volleyball

Lillian Li- Senior Badminton

Isabelle Zhang- Senior Badminton

Kaitlyn Tse- Junior Badminton

Megan Tse- Junior Badminton

Tamir Eshel- Table Tennis

Keria Crook- Varsity Girls Soccer

David Abraham- Varsity Boys Baseball

Sari Levy- Varsity Girls Slo-pitch

Daniel Shuman- Senior Boys Hockey

Cole Resnick- Junior Boys Hockey

Season 21 Apprentice and Season 12 Director Hired at Season Finale

Another profitable season, on all fronts, came to a conclusion at The Season Finale & Reunion Special in The Boardroom on June 16. All profits raised during Venture Week were added to the profits raised at Bare Necessities this season – to create a final profit margin for Season 21 of \$3,750 all of which will be donated to The Canadian Cancer Society today. To date – over the twenty one seasons of the Apprentice— we have together raised \$90,622.45! This season in the Marketing Director panel - business teams raised \$1,180 at Westock for a variety of other charities. Over the twelve seasons of The Director we have together raised \$34,000.08 for various other charities! Coates Securities has raised a cumulative total of \$124, 622.53 to date. Thank you to each and every candidate, past and present, who are to be commended for this outstanding ac-

complishment!! And of course we thank our valued customers for their business.



In the end - we welcome **Mr. Matchen** and **Ms. Park** as The Apprentice and **Ms. Gerlock** as Director of Marketing, Congratulations!

On a final note, Mr. Bellin, retiring Apprentice of Season 19 was awarded the annual Business Acumen award on behalf of the department. Congratulations and good luck in your future business endeavours and retirement from Coates Securities.









GRADUATION 2015

Thank you to all parents/guardian, friends and family that joined us in honouring the accomplishments of our graduation class. We wish all of our graduating students all the peace, happiness and success in the world. All the best!



SUMMER VACATION

Your Guidance Team wishes all of you a wonderful, restful, safe and peaceful summer.

Registration for grades 10, 11 and 12 takes place on Tuesday, September 1. Details to follow. Updates will be posted to Twitter

STAY IN THE LOOP / EVEN IN THE SUMMER

Follow WestmountGuidance on Facebook and @WCIGuidance on Twitter. Visit the Guidance website regularly for important news, information and announcements. Visit https://sites.google.com/site/wciguidance/home.





YORK REGION DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Westmount Collegiate Institute

REGISTRATION DAY 2015-2016

When: Tuesday, September 1st

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Where: Main Office

Why: To pay your registration fees, pick up your timetable and get

your locker



PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE SET UP YOUR SCHOOL CASH ACCOUNT AND HAVE PAID YOUR FEES AHEAD OF TIME! CASH AND CHEQUES WILL ALSO BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF REGISTRATION.

WESTMOUNT COLLEGIATE



Italy

Naples, Pompeii, Sorrento, Amalfi Coast & Rome
April 7 - 16
2016



TOUR PRICE:

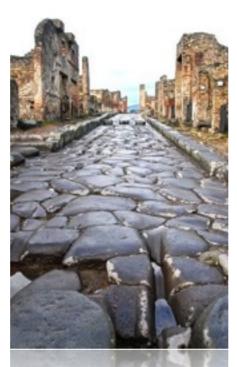
\$3,530.00 based on 32 paying students \$3,595.00 based on 28 paying students

THURSDAY APRIL 7 TORONTO - PARIS - NAPLES

Depart Toronto on an overnight flight to Italy with Air France.



Arrive and transfer to Naples.
Check into your centrally located hotel in the heart of the historic city centre. Meet your GHT escort and enjoy a walking tour of Naples' principal sites including Castel Nuovo, Royal Palace, Piazza del Plebiscito, Basilica San Francesco di Paola, etc... Later enjoy a traditional pizza made in the famous Neapolitan way!



SATURDAY APRIL 9 POMPEII

After breakfast, board your private motor coach and travel around the Bay of Naples to Pompeii. The Pompeii excursion will be an exploration into the ancient site and will include a half-day guided tour that of the following sites: Amphitheatre, Gymnasium, House of the Faun, Forum, Temple of Apollo, Theatre, Via dei Sepolcri. Head back to Naples for a panoramic bus tour of Naples. Bus tour will include Posillipo Hill for the stunning vistas across the Bay of Naples to Capri and the Sorrentine Peninsula. This afternoon, tour the National Archaeological Museum with a private guide. Originally part of the Farnese Collection, the extensive collection of artifacts from Pomepii, Stabiae, and Herculaneum are the finest in the world and include the Farnese Cup, Marbles, and Herculaneum Papyri. Enjoy dinner tonight in a local restaurant and an evening walking tour of Naples led by the chaperones.

SUNDAY APRIL 10 PHLEGREAN PENINSULA

Depart Naples via private coach for a full-day excursion to the Phlegrean Peninsula. Discover the Cumae Acropolis, including temples and Sibilla's Cave. During the walking tour, students will be organized into their teacher supervision groups and remain with the teacher at all times. In Bacoli, visit the Piscina Mirabilis, the largest Roman cistern ever built that was connected to the vast network of aqueducts that supplied the entire region with water. Later, visit the ancient Greek settlement of Pozzuoli and see the temple and amphitheater. This afternoon, travel from Pozzuoli to Mt. Vesuvius. Hike up to the top of Mt. Vesuvius, the active volcano that caused Pompeii's destruction in 79 AD. Students can gaze into the caldera and take in the unusual vocalic landscape and terrific views. Return to Naples for some supervised shopping and relaxation before dinner in a local restaurant. After dinner, enjoy gelato along the coast in Piazza del Plebiscito and a walking tour led by the chaperones.



MONDAY APRIL 11 CAPRI

Catch the hydrofoil in Naples for the voyage to Capri. This enchanted island, once home to decadent emperors like Tiberius, has now become a tourist destination because of its spectacular views, vegetation, mountainous terrain, and lagoons. Our morning's destination is Anacapri (the commune that sits above the town of Capri itself) to see the Villa of San Michele, built by the Scandinavian physician, Axel Munthe, who used materials salvaged from ancient Roman villas in the area. Stairs that were built by the Phoenicians 2500 years ago run down from the villa to the rocky coast and the town below. Later, explore the gorgeous island and charming village before returning to Sorrento, our home for the next two nights. Enjoy dinner as a group at the hotel. Evening walking tour of Sorrento led by the chaperones.

TUESDAY APRIL 12 SORRENTO

Today, enjoy a walking tour of Sorrento. Marvel at this charming resort town with streets lined with orange and lemon trees. During the walking tour, students will be organized into their teacher supervision groups and remain with the teacher at all times. This afternoon we will enjoy an olive oil tasting and then have dinner and a pizza cooking lesson. Evening walking tour of Sorrento led by the chaperones.



WEDNESDAY APRIL 13 AMALFI COAST

Today is dedicated to the Amalfi Coast, one of the most beautiful and picturesque sea coasts on earth. Stop first in the charming fishing village of Positano that descends steeply from the level of the roadway down to the beach in a cascade of medieval houses. shops, and fish restaurants. Continuing down the coast, arrive in Amalfi, for a walking tour of the town. Once a thriving and powerful seaport that rivalled Venice and Genoa in carrying luxury goods from the East, Amalfi's rich and powerful past is maintained in the cathedral of St. Andrew. Visit the guayside with the medieval boat houses carved into the rock above. We will enjoy lunch at La Tagliata which is in Monteportuso. Leaving the Amalfi coast behind, drive to Rome and arrive in the evening. Students will purchase dinner at an Auto Grill on route to Rome.

THURSDAY APRIL 14 ROME

This morning's guided programme centres on the Vatican City and Papal Rome. The Vatican City, a 109 acre state, is bounded by a wall built in the 9th century and by the colonnade of St. Peter's Square. We will take a tour of St. Peter's Basilica, one of the world's most majestic buildings, standing over St. Peter's Tomb and the spot where he was martyred. We will continue our guided tour to the Vatican Museum with its many treasures and see the Sistine Chapel where we can marvel at the restored ceiling and the many splendid works of art. This afternoon enjoy a guided walking tour of Rome, including Piazza Navona, the Pantheon, the Spanish Steps and the Trevi Fountain. Dinner in a local Roman restaurant. After dinner. enjoy gelato at the Spanish Steps and supervised time in Piazza di Spania.

FRIDAY APRIL 15 ROME

This morning's guided tour will focus on Imperial Rome. The Colosseum was built by Emperor Vespasian in AD 80 and is infamous for epic and gory gladiator fights. Immensely impressive with a circumference of 530 metres, the Colosseum was built to house 50,000 spectators. The Forum was the commercial, civil and religious centre of Roman life in the Republican era; walk in the footsteps of Julius Caesar and see the spot where he was assassinated on the Ides of March in 44 BC. The remainder of the day will be supervised time to visit Piazza Popolo and via Del Corso. Farewell dinner in a local restaurant. After dinner, walk as a group to the Trevi fountain, make a wish and savour one last Italian Gelato!

SATURDAY APRIL 16 ROME - TORONTO

Bid "arrividerci a Roma" and board the return flight to Toronto.



TOUR PRICE INCLUDES:

- Round trip airfare Toronto-Naples-Rome-Toronto on Air France
- · Departure taxes
- 3 nights in a 4-star centrally located Naples hotel
- 2 nights in a 4-star centrally located Sorrento hotel
- 3 nights in a 4-star centrally located Rome hotel
- · Breakfast daily
- Dinner daily (except one)
- 1 lunch
- Private coach transfers to and from excursions and tours
- · Guided tours as per the itinerary
- · Entrance tickets and fees as applicable
- · One local GHT escort
- Gratuities
- · Ultimate Upgrade Youth Travel Insurance

TOUR PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Lunches
- Anything not mentioned, as per the itinerary

*Based on air fares, land tariffs and currency exchange rates as of May 27, 2015 and a minimum of 28 participants. Please note the possibility of increases in airfares and land costs prior to departure. Any increase must be borne by the individual participant.

**Flight Schedules are subject to change.

APPLICATION, PAYMENT & BOOKING CONDITIONS:

- 1. Please visit <u>www.ghardytours.com</u> and then click the 'Apply Now' page for the full application and terms and conditions.
- 2. Click on "March Break and School Organized Trip" and enter code: WESTMOUNT-APR2016
- 3. Please have passport and credit card ready.

It is the responsibility of all participants to ensure that they have a valid passport and that no additional travel documents are necessary. Georgia Hardy Tours Inc. is not responsible for inadequate travel documents.

Georgia Hardy Tours reserves the right to make changes in the itinerary when necessary for the convenience and safety of tour participants. Any extra cost in the unlikely event of itinerary changes must be borne by the individual participant.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

Non-Refundable Deposit: \$525.00 due by September 30th, 2015 Second Payment: \$1,535.00 due by October 30th, 2015 Final Payment: \$1,535.00 due by November 30th, 2015

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION:

Payment Schedules are indicated in the body of the email(s) provided with your invoice(s). If at any other time you need a reminder of your payment schedule do not hesitate to ask.

CANCELLATION POLICY:

All requests for cancellation must be submitted in writing to Georgia Hardy Tours Inc. Charges for cancellation will be as follows:

- Deposit plus insurance: non-refundable
- Second Payment date + 1 day: 50% of the tour price is non-refundable
- Final Payment date + 1 day: 100% of the tour price is non-refundable

RESPONSIBILITY AND JURISDICTION:

Georgia Hardy Tours and their agents act only as agents for the passengers with respect to services supplied to passengers by others, including but not limited to transportation, hotel and restaurant services, on the express condition that they are not liable for any failure in such services, or injury, loss or damage, delay or inconvenience arising out of or in connection with any defect in any vehicle or any act, omission, accident or error in providing such transportation, hotel, restaurant or other services. There is no refund for unused portions of the tour. In case of an accident occurring during the land portion of any tour, the passenger must submit any claim therefore only to the competent judicial authorities of the jurisdiction where such accident occurred, to be determined exclusively in accordance with the laws of such jurisdiction. By accepting the coupons and tickets and utilizing the services, the passenger agrees that Georgia Hardy Tours nor any affiliated or subsidiary companies or representatives shall be liable for any loss, injury or damage to the passenger or belongings or otherwise in connection with any accommodations, transportation or other services or resulting directly from any occurrences beyond its control including breakdown in equipment, strikes, theft, delay or cancellation or changes in itinerary or schedules, etc. Georgia Hardy Tours and its agents reserve the right to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member of this tour. The right is reserved to withdraw any or all of the tour or portions thereof. All tour services including, but not limited to hotel accommodations, restaurants, guide services and transportation are furnished by independent contractors.





Summer Day JUNE <mark>29 TO AU</mark>GUST 21, 2015









RICHMOND HILL VAUGHAN MARKHAM • WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

Ages 16 and up

9:30am - 3:30pm daily

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Emily Carr high school

4901 Rutherford Rd,

Sadia Shaukat

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Vaughan

REGISTER AND RESERVE YOUR WEEKS NOW!

Before May 30: \$175.00/week* for Members, \$192.50/week for Non-members After May 30: \$192.50/week* for members, \$211.75/week for Non-members

- Additional costs: you will be advised of any extra costs in advance if applicable.
- One-to-one: speak to the coordinator in your area if your child needs extra support. Additional costs will apply.

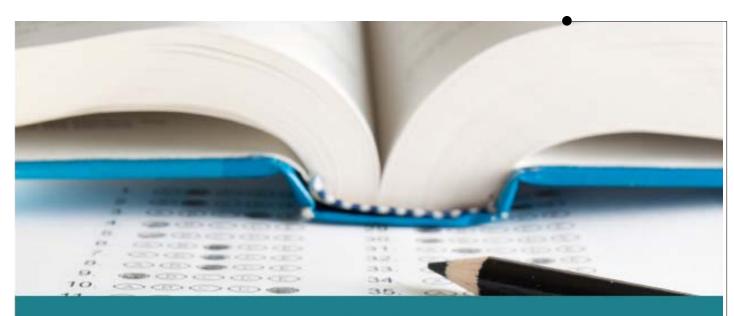




In partnership with:







LDAYR and Evoke Learning Presents The Science of Student Success Workshops Part One: Preparing for Tests and Exams

Location and Time:

4 sessions 2 hours per session

Richmond Hill

LDA - York Region 11181 Yonge Street Richmond Hill, ON 905-884-7933 ext.23 (Room: B13 basement)

Week: August 17 - 20, 2015 Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Aurora

Evoke Learning York Region 15224 Yonge Street Suite 202 Aurora, ON 905-853-7283

Week: July 13 - 16, 2015 Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Cost:

\$210 LDAYR member \$235 Non-LDAYR member

Program fees are transferable but non-refundable Study skills are often referred to as the "hidden curriculum". Teachers often assume student know how to prepare for a test or exam, however many students lack these essential skills and approach the studying task haphazardly. We tell students to make sure they study for the next upcoming test, but many just don't know where to start. Our brains were not made for school, which means that we need to know the science behind how our brain works in order to understand effective study strategies. It also means that retaining information requires extra work on the part of the student. Knowing just what this work needs to look like, and how to study for a test or exam, is half the battle.

This workshop is designed for high school students (and those entering grade 9 in the fall) and demonstrates:

- How the brain learns
- How to prepare for a test or exam
- Effective and evidence-based (brain science) strategies for writing tests and exams - what works and what doesn't
- Why cramming doesn't work
- Some online tools that can be accessed to make studying a little more interesting and engaging

Students will receive a handout to take home that will help remind them of what they learned.

*All workshops are capped at 20 students.

*Pizza and drinks will be served during the workshops.

NOW is the right time to learn these important skills to ensure the information is understood and absorbed!







LDAYR and Evoke Learning Presents: The Science of Student Success Workshops
Part Two: Note-taking and Preparing Notes that are
Test and Exam Ready

Location & Time:

4 Sessions 2 hours per session

Richmond Hill:

LDA - York Region 11181 Yonge Street Richmond Hill, ON 905-884-7933 ext.23 (Room: B13 basement)

Week: August 17 - 20, 2015 Time: 12:30pm - 2:30pm

Aurora:

Evoke Learning York Region 15224 Yonge Street Suite 202 Aurora, ON 905-853-7283

Week: July 13 - 16, 2015 Time: 12:30pm - 2:30pm

Cost:

\$210 LDAYR member \$235 Non-LDAYR member

*Program fees are transferable but non-refundable. This workshop is for students who have already registered for our first workshop; Preparing for Tests and Exams, and is an extension of what they need to know as a student to prepare effective study notes. While students may have an understanding of how to study, they may not be using effective note-taking strategies. Quite often students find themselves disorganized and without effective study notes to prepare for a test or exam.

This workshop is designed for high school students (and those entering grade 9 in the fall) and demonstrates:

- · Effective note-taking strategies
- · Effective reading strategies (how to annotate)
- How to create effective study-ready notes from a lesson, a reading assignment and a video
- Organization techniques
- *All workshops are capped at 20 students.
- *Pizza and drinks will be served during the workshops.

NOW is the right time to learn these important skills to ensure the information is understood and absorbed!





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LAKESHORE CAMPUS

Date: Wednesday, August 19, 2015 Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm

NORTH CAMPUS

Date: Thursday, August 20, 2015 Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm *Including Orangeville, the University of Guelph-Humber and the Centre for Trades and Technology

ADDITIONAL DAY FOR ASD* STUDENTS:

Date: Friday, August 21, 2015 Time: 9:00am to 3:00pm Hosted at the North Campus *Autism Spectrum Disorder

REGISTER AT:

Website: wegotyou.humber.ca Click on Accessible Learning Services

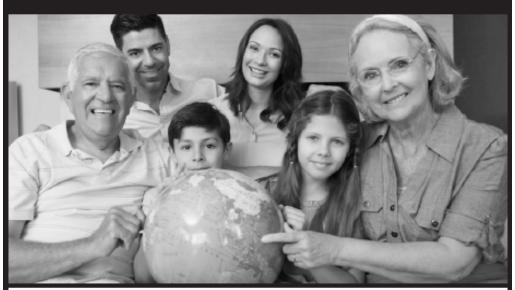
CONTACT US AT:

Email: accessible-learning@humber.ca





Host a student visiting from abroad!



Can you offer ...

- a caring and secure environment
- an English speaking home
- a private bedroom
- three meals (and snacks) daily
- a home within reasonable distance to a YRSDB school

Families are compensated \$900/month to cover the cost of hosting. School year and summer placements are available.

Accommodations in basements, and/or homes with tenants (renters/boarders) will not be considered.



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www.yrdsb.ca/international

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, September 1, 2015

Registration day (gr.10-12)

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

• Grade 9 Day

Wednesday, September 9, 2015

All grades



School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Since some busing schedules begin by 7:00 a.m., cancellation decisions must be made by 6:00 a.m. to allow time to communicate this message to bus drivers. Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

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.
- 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.
- School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather may not be affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.

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.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to 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	107.1 FM	

TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at <u>www.schoolbuscity.com</u> and by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following the YRDSB and YCDSB on twitter.