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Together in Harmony

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這是重要文件，若不明白，請找人翻譯。 இது ஒரு முக்கியமான பத்திரம். இதை வாசித்து விளங்கும் படுத்தும் கூடிய ஒருவர் உங்களுக்கு செல்லவும்.

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यह एक जरूरी कागज़ है। इसे किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति के पास ले जाएं जो इसे समझे।

هذا الخطاب مهم جدا .. نرجو ان تجد من يشرحه لك

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 8	School Starts	Sept. 21	School Council Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Library
Sept. 28	P.A. Day	Sept. 29	School Bus Safety
Sept. 14 & 15	Rosh Hashanah	Sept. 23	Yom Kippur
Sept. 23	Eid-ul-Adha		
September 29 to October 2 ~ Safety Week			
October 1 & 2 ~ Photo Days			

From the Administrative Team

Welcome Back!

On behalf of the staff of Wilclay, we are very happy to welcome everyone back for the 2015-2016 school year. If you are new to our school community, we extend a special welcome to you as you join us for this year's school journey. We are energized about the upcoming year and look forward to the active involvement of our parents, volunteers, School Council and community members in our efforts to provide a balanced educational experience for all our students.

During the summer, Wilclay continued to be busy with its Building Blocks for Kindergarten program (BBFK), as well as the installation of new windows in the older section of the school. A special thank you is extended to our caretakers who worked hard to ensure that the building was sparkling for the first day of school. Sincere thanks also to Mrs. Sesel and Mrs. Rajan who have been very busy helping staff, parents and new families to our community, get ready for the first day of school.

There have been changes in staffing and assignments this year. Please join us in welcoming the following teachers: Ms. Yang (JK/SK); Ms. Agnihotri (gr. 1); Mr. Shatzky (Gr. 7); Ms. Ou-Hingwan (SERT) and Ms. Alvi (SERT). We would also like to welcome two new DECEs – Ms. Zehra and Ms. Slack, as well as our new E.A., Ms. Reid. We'd also like to welcome back Ms. Nghiem (JK/SK). We are also pleased to welcome Mr. Ruos, who has joined our caretaking team, as well Ms. Ng, our new addition to our office staff.

As we move forward into this year, we take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support. We are here to work with you in providing the best school experience for your child.

Mrs. Mantle,
Principal

Ms. Daly,
Vice-Principal

CHARACTER CORNER:

September is... Inclusivity Month!

We demonstrate equity and inclusivity in all that we do. We demand an environment in which all students, staff, parents and our community feel valued and have a sense of belonging. We expect empathy, mutual respect and understanding to be demonstrated in our words and actions.



Thinking of what to wear today?
Why not wear a warm heart and an open mind.
~ Noah benShea

SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE:

Our first School Council meeting will take place on **Monday, September 21 at 6:00 p.m.** in the library. Elections will take place at this meeting. Nomination forms were sent home in *Wilclay's Book of Forms*. All are welcome to attend.

GETTING TO SCHOOL SAFELY:

We *always* encourage children to walk to school, either with an adult, older sibling, or if old enough, a friend or neighbour.

Walking to school is good for your children's health, good for friendships and good for the environment.

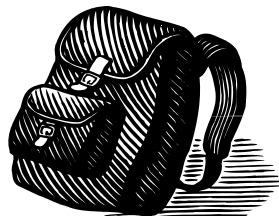
Here are a few reminders for those times that you *have* to drive your child to school we have a drop off process in place in order to keep each and every child safe as they come to Wilclay.

1. **Please remember** the bus lane is for buses, taxis and daycare transportation only.
2. **Do Not** let your child out of the car at the entrance to the car loop.
3. Drive your car, following the **staff member's guidance**, all the way up to the pylon. If there is a lot of cars drive right up to the stopped car in front of you and let your children out there.
4. Seat your children so that they can easily get out on the passenger's side.
5. Stay in line. **Do Not drive around the car in front of you once you have dropped off your children.**
6. The west entrance is for staff only.
7. Leave home early and have patience.

Thank you for your co-operation to keep Wilclay safe for all of our students.

PACK IT LIGHT. WEAR IT RIGHT!

Students need to "lighten it up!" and their back will thank them! Students in Grades K to 8 should carry only 10 % of their weight in the backpacks.



To prevent back injuries,
Backpacks should not be overloaded!

CELEBRATIONS:

Many children wish to celebrate their birthdays with their classmates. As Wilclay is a Healthy and Nut Aware school, parents are asked *not* to bring in food, such as birthday cakes, cupcakes, cookies, candy, or pizza for birthdays or any celebrations. Instead, please consider donating a book to the school or class library, sending non-food items (e.g., pencils), or a healthy snack (e.g., fruit and vegetables). Thank you for keeping Wilclay healthy and safe!



TRUSTEE GREETINGS:

Welcome back to another school year.

I am happy to extend a warm welcome to our returning students and families and those who are new to our Board. I am the trustee for your child's school and your representative on the York Region District School Board of Trustees.

I am looking forward to continuing my work to ensure that all YRDSB students receive a high-quality education within safe, caring and inclusive learning environments.

In the coming year, trustees will continue to focus on the priorities that we set out in our Multi-Year Plan: student achievement and well-being, the delivery of effective and sustainable educational programs and the responsible stewardship of Board resources.

We know that partnerships with families are essential to achieving this goal. Good schools become better schools when they are connected to parents and families.

I hope that you will find positive and meaningful ways to engage with your child's school over the course of the year. There will be many events and activities to look forward to throughout the year and many opportunities across the Region that support parent engagement.

2015-16 promises to be an exciting year. All the best for the upcoming school year!

Sincerely,

Juanita Nathan

Trustee | York Region District School Board
City of Markham – Ward 7&8

Stay and Play



Community Action Program
for Children (CAPC)

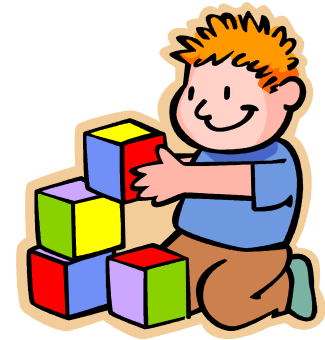
FREE program for parents/grandparents and their children (2.5 & 3 yrs. old)

Date: Sep. 24 – Dec. 10, 2015
Every Thursday morning

Time: 10:45 – 12:10

Location: Wilclay P.S. (Staff Room)

- Songs, puzzles, craft, toys, parenting information.
- A new letter & sound introduced each week.
- Parent or grandparent attends program with child.



YOU MUST REGISTER IN PERSON BEFORE ATTENDING

Register at the school on THURS. SEP. 17th, 10:30-12:00

For further info. call - Pam May, CAPC York Region: 905-642-9965

OR email: pam.may.capc@gmail.com

Leave a message with your name, phone # & child's name & birth date.

Note: Priority will be given to families who have never attended before.

Stay and Play



Community Action Program
for Children (CAPC)

- 这是免费的学前儿童活动
- 欢迎父母亲或祖父母带同其两岁半至三岁儿童参加

日期：二零一五年九月二十四日至十二月十日
逢星期四上午

时间：十时四十五分至十二时十分

地点：Wilclay小学（教职员活动室）。

内容：*唱歌、拼图游戏、美劳、故事及育儿知识/资讯
*每周介绍一个英文字母及发音

父母亲或祖父母必须携同儿童出席。

九月十七日星期四早上十点半至十二点开始接受报名

请亲临学校, 并提供以下资料: 阁下姓名、联络电话、参加子女的姓名及出生日期。

注意: 请预先报名, 从未参加过学前活动班的家庭将获优先权。

