

PARKVIEW PULSE

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SCHOOL CONTACT INFORMATION

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SCHOOL TIMES

8:25 am Entry Bell

8:30 am - 10:10 am **Learning Block**

10:10 am - 10:40 am **Recess**

10:40 am - 12:20 pm **Learning Block**

12:20 pm – 1:20 pm **Lunch**

1:20 pm - 3:00 pm Learning Block

A Message from Administrative Team

At this time of year, we all tend to reflect on our successes, accomplishments, and goals moving forward. As a school, we are very proud of the learning, the growth and the many successes we have enjoyed over the past few months together as Panthers. We have grown in our academic achievements along with our mindsets, our work ethic and skills, and our social/emotional awareness. We have worked towards building an environment in which our students, and our community at large, value one another for all the gifts we have to share.

As we move forward into the New Year, we will maintain our focus on building the citizens of Parkview to be conscientious, kind and engaged as we continue our learning journeys together. We will honour the stories and experiences we each have to contribute to our school community. We will look for more opportunities to give back and support one another.

We wish a Happy Hanukkah to those that celebrate. We with a Merry Christmas to those that Celebrate. We wish a Happy Kwanza to those that celebrate.

To all of our families, we wish you a safe, enjoyable holiday in which you are able to relax, refresh and recharge as we embrace the New Year. We wish you laughter and good memories as we embark on a new journey together starting off 2019!

In partnership... and with well wishes,

Ms. Anand Ms. Osman Principal Vice-Principal



Parkview School Council Fundraising

Thank you Parkview Families!



In 2017/18, we raised more than \$40,000 for our school!

At our recent Chapters Night, Parkview family & friends spent over \$4200, raising Over \$850 for our school! Through Bag2School we diverted 2220lbs out of our landfills and raised Over \$200 for Parkview!

Do you know how the funds raised through our school lunches and other School Council fundraising events are spent?

Your School Council works with Parkview teachers, staff and administration to identify ways to improve students' learning experience. Here's a snapshot of what Council recently approved ...



\$10,000 Set aside for playground redevelopment



\$5000 New technology



\$1500 Healthy snacks



\$8100 Whiteboards and books

\$3500

JK - Grade 3 Classes

- Guest Performance -Classic Fairytales
- Scientist in School visits
- Legos, gears, headphones and other classroom supplies
- Indoor recess games for all classes

\$4600

Grades 4-6 Classes

- Guest Performance -Red Sky First Nations Group
- Scientist in School visits
- Indoor recess games for all classes
- Musical instruments

\$2200

Grades 7 & 8 Classes

- Field trip to the Art Gallery of Ontario
- Guest speaker on "Spoken Word"
- Dodgeballs
- Study Carrels
- Musical instruments

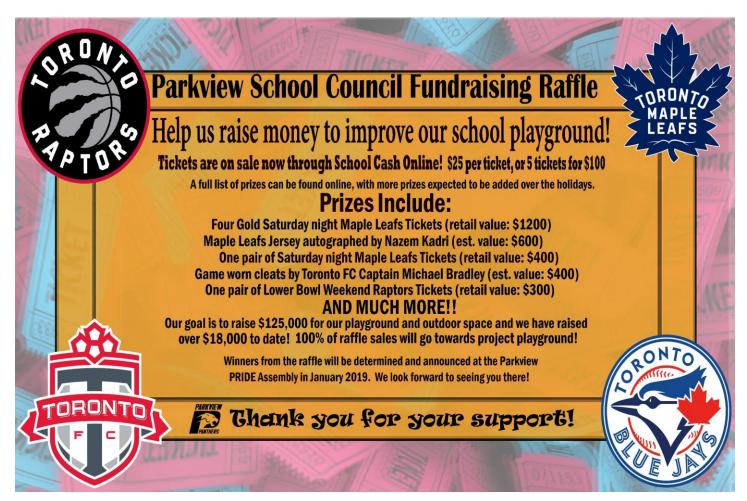
Your ongoing support will ensure that we can continue to invest in our students!

A Message from School Council... continued

Thank you Parkview families for your continued support of our School Council. There is a lot of overlap between council committees with work that is done and it does take many parents. We do appreciate all our volunteers and if you are interested in volunteering or just want to find out more please let us know. Our new Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs Nancy Tam and Vivian Leong have shared a snapshot of money raised and spent by your School Council – as presented above. We are all working for Parkview children to provide them with the best experience possible that they will remember and cherish when they are older.

UPCOMING COUNCIL INTIATIVES

<u>Please purchase your tickets on school cash to support our fundraising initiative for our school playground.</u>



School Council will be hosting a Primary Movie Night Grades K-3 on January 10th, 2019 and a Junior Movie Night Grades 4-6 on January 17th, 2019.

Where: Gymnasium at Parkview Public School Time: 6:00pm - doors open 6:30pm - movie begins

Bring your own blankets, pillows or sleeping bags!

Food will be available on both Movie Nights.

We will be offering a choice of pepperoni and/or cheese pizza individual slices from Pizza Pizza (\$2.50 per slice) on both movie nights. Pizza must be purchased on school cash on-line prior to the event.

Pizza tickets will be distributed to the student to take home by January 9th. Please bring these tickets with you to redeem your pizza on the movie night.

Additional snacks and drinks will be sold on the premises.

No outside food or drinks will be permitted. All students must be supervised by a responsible adult during the movie night. This is not a drop off event and there will be no teacher supervision available.





Thank you to our families for your ongoing support. If you have any questions or comments, please email us. We look forward to hearing from you!

Dr. Anoosh Sharíf (Council Chair)
Ms. Flora Ho (Council Vice-Chair)

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Equity Corner

During the month of October, the Difference Makers organized a food drive in order to scare off hunger within our community! A range of non-perishable food items were collected and donated to the Markham Food Bank. "We Scare Hunger" helped both to raise awareness within the community of Parkview and to support those in need within the community of Markham. Submitted by: Tierney (Gr 8)



Our Difference-Makers worked with a Youth Ambassador from 360 Kids to collect the following items to support homeless youth in York Region.

Toothbrushes Toothpaste Socks
Kleenex Shampoo Conditioner
Body Wash Lip Balm Floss
Deodorant Hairbrush Comb

The Intermediate Division was also invited to learn more about Youth Homelessness in York Region with our 360 Kids Youth Ambassador. Thank you to our Difference Makers for arranging this! The Difference Makers will continue to make the world a better place by continuing to be agents of change! Stay tuned for more initiatives in the New Year!





French Corner



Are you looking for something fun to do over the winter break? Why not pick one of the following fun activities to practice your French? (1) Watch a movie in French (with English subtitles) on Netflix or YouTube to find French singalongs or shows like Peppa Pig; (2) Play French games on the computer: like French Kahoot and French-games.net; (3) Visit the public library to find French picture books; you could even find a read-along to some books on YouTube (4) Practice speaking French with your siblings, or play games with French vocabulary (like Frappe Le Mot & Tic Tac Toe); (5) Sing-along to Christmas Carols in French (YouTube) Submitted by: Leah, Emma, Ryan, Rachael and Abby (Gr.4)

A message from your Arts Cabinet

Hey, it's your arts cabinet ministers - Kimiya and Mikayla! Over the past few months, we've been working on multiple things such as updating the Parkview Spirit Day bulletin board and the Colour House Bulletin Board. We have also been busy designing and painting banners - a Parkview Meet and Greet banner, a We Scare Hunger Banner, a 6th Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest banner, a Happy Diwali banner, a Thank You Banner for Chapters Markham, a "What is peace?" banner and a Happy Chanukah banner.



We are still working on more school projects before the winter break. Stay tuned! We make Parkview colourful and allow little things to be noticed! Happy holidays everyone! Some arts activities you can do with your family over the holiday break include...

- Make musical instruments out of recycled materials (e.g., a Raisin Box Whistle).
- Create a family Draw-cember book (e.g., draw how your holiday looks like every day).
- Sing some winter songs for others or create your own song.
- Have a dance party and create some special dance moves based on the lyrics.
- Play holiday charades (e.g., act out charade ideas such as "Build a snowman", "Wrapping gifts", "Putting on mittens" and etc.).

Submitted by: Kimiya and Mikayla



A Message from your Eco Cabinet



The Eco cabinet has been working on a few initiatives throughout the fall season. Some of our eco initiatives are mentioned below:







Collecting styrofoam from treat sales containers, so they can be properly



Accomplishments:

- -as a community, we have collected 3000 kilograms more of batteries than at this point last year
- -in the Bags to School program, 2,220lbs of textiles were collected
- -this is a picture of the straws that have been collected so far!





Parkview Public School

HAVE COLLECTED

2220

ON 28 Nov

LANDFILL WASTE AVOIDED



8,880.0 pounds

EMISSIONS AVOIDED

of clothing avoided from landfills

Thank you for making an impact! Did you know that almost 100% of textile waste is recyclable? Everyone can reduce the amount of textiles that are dumped into landfills. You can:

- Hand clothing down to family and friends
- Ensure unwanted items make it to your local thrift shop, charity or clothing bin
- Resell online or at a consignment store

Parkview's African Drum Team Meets Our Prime Minister



Safety Reminders

In order to ensure student safety, we are reminding parents/guardians of the following important items:

- Students cannot be dropped off to school earlier than 8:15am, at which point supervision begins. There is NO supervision before 8:15am;
- Students must go straight home at dismissal time @ 3:00pm;
- Parents/guardians must inform the office & classroom teacher, if there are any changes in dismissal routines;
- Please do not park in the staff parking lot, particularly during entry and dismissal times. This will help ensure student safety.

Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring student safety.



Kindergarten Registration

New **Y1 (JK) Kindergarten registration** will commence on **January 18, 2019** for the 2019-20 school year. Registration forms are available on the <u>YRDSB website</u>. Children who turn four or five years old during 2019, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters, will be eligible to register for kindergarten. A kindergarten information session for parents is being planned for this spring. For more information, please visit the YRDSB website or contact our office.

French Immersion Information

Information Sessions

Information sessions for Grade 1 entry into the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at French Immersion schools that have a Grade 1 program on January 17, 2019 at 7 p.m. Please visit the YRDSB's website in January 2019 to find the FI program location for your elementary school location.

Registration

FI registration will begin on January 18, 2019. Parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2019, and wishing to enroll in the FI Program, can visit or call their home school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. This Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to the designated FI program location to register, between January 18 and February 8, 2019. Registration during this period is not first come, first served.

Late Registrations

Late registrations are those submitted after February 8, 2019. Late registrations will be treated on a first-come, first-served basis and will be considered subsequent to registrations received during the registration period should overflow be necessary.

Accommodation Plan

YRDSB's FI Accommodation Plan provides long-term consistency and equity of access to all students in York Region and will enable YRDSB to continue to offer the FI program to all who wish to enroll. The FI program will be offered in Dual Track or Single Track settings, in a variety of configurations. In order to meet community needs and optimize available space in our schools, a community's Grade 1-8 FI program may be provided over more than one school during the course

of a student's FI education. Space requirements at some schools may mean that siblings are in different schools for primary dual track French Immersion programs due to differing grade structures. Like any of our schools across the Board, changes to school boundaries, and/or the accommodation model for the French Immersion program may need to be considered when new schools open, a school experiences enrolment growth, and program changes occur. This will allow flexibility in addressing community needs and the opportunity to use existing space in schools.

More information is available on the <u>Board's website</u>. Please note: Some of the FI accommodation plans will require facility modifications or the development of new schools and will require short-term transition plans that might include overflow while we work toward the long-term vision. Overflow refers to situations in which the Board directs students to attend a school other than their community school or optional program for a specific period of time, as defined in Policy #108.

Coming Soon... Karate Lunch Program



PARKVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL

Your child will be attending the NKS Lunch Program every Monday on the following dates:

> Week 1: April 1st Week 2: April 8th Week 3: April 15th Week 4: April 29th



Graduation Day for your child is: Saturday, May 4th @ 2:30pm at NKS Markham dojo

For each class, your child will need to wear comfortable clothing (dresses, skirts and jeans strongly discouraged), lace-up running shoes and perhaps bring a bottle of water. Oh, and they definitely need to have a lot of fun!

You will receive a call/email from an instructor prior to the graduation date to confirm your child's attendance and to provide you with graduation details.

Should you have any questions or concerns about the program or your child's progress, please call us directly at NKS Markham. Keep this brochure handy!

Your School Council will be sending out more details in the New Year.

