



# Yorkview School



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## OUR CODE OF CONDUCT

- Always keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- Watch what you say and how you say it.
- Respect the safety and property of everyone.

## Dates To Remember

September 22 - P.A. Day  
September 25 - Lunch Lady  
September 25 - School Council Meeting  
September 29 - Photo Day



## Principal's Corner

It is an exciting start to a new school year at Yorkview. We have a new parking lot, kindergarten play area, electronic sign, and balanced day timetable. We also have a new partner - the Dundas Vally Preschool Program is now open and is located in a newly renovated classroom - and two new teaching staff. Ms. Walker is our new half-time Reading Specialist Teacher and Ms. Terziev works one day per week as a Learning Resource Teacher. I would like to welcome them and all the new faces to Yorkview.

It doesn't take long to realize that Yorkview is a special school: it is a community of caring and friendly people who strive for what is best for their kids. I would like to thank all of you who introduced themselves to me and made me feel like a part of the community. The staff, in particular, have been helpful and kind to me as I have made the transition here while they have had to adjust to changes as well.

I look forward to our first School Council meeting at 6:30pm on September 25th and would like to extend a warm invitation to anyone interested in attending. If you are unable to attend, I hope to spend time getting to know you better by chatting on the playground, in the halls, or in my office. While staff also prefer face-to-face communication, I recognize it is not always possible. Agendas are a great tool for you to communicate with educators. This newsletter will be posted on our school web site within the first week of each month. Hard copies will be made available to

those who request them. Check the school site often for updates and links.

There are times when it is best to make an appointment, especially if you wish to discuss a private and important matter. In these instances, if you wish to discuss an issue pertaining to your child's education, I would ask that you first book an appointment with the teacher. If your concern relates to a school-wide issue, please feel free to discuss with me directly. We are a school committed to building effective communication and strong relationships with all members of our school community.

I look forward to a great year at Yorkview and thank you again for making me feel like I belong.

M. Degner,  
Principal



## SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

All parents are welcome to join our School Council Meetings. Our next meeting will be Monday, September 25 at 6:30 p.m..



EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

# A Few Reminders

## Milk Program

Mrs. Cochlin will be selling white and chocolate milk daily. The cost is 75 cents. You may also buy milk in advance. Please check your child's agenda or call the school for the details



## Pizza Days

Pizza Thursdays will start October 5. Please watch for notices home for more information.

## Nut Safe School

**Peanuts/nuts and nut products can cause serious anaphylaxis in some children. We do have**

**children in our school who are allergic to peanuts/nuts. The school has an Anaphylaxis Emergency Plan.**



## **Safe Arrival:**

**Please notify the school if your child is going to be late or absent for the day. Our telephone answering machine is on 24 hours a day for your convenience.**

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## **School Bus Safety Rules**

**Please share with your child**

### **ON THE WAY TO THE BUS**

- ◆ Be alert, arrive at your stop at least five minutes early.
- ◆ Always obey all traffic lights and signals.
- ◆ Plan to walk with friends whenever possible,
- ◆ If you have to cross a street always cross at crosswalks and intersections.
- ◆ Always look both ways before crossing the street

- ◆ Stand back from the curb or where the bus stops
- ◆ Don't push or shove when entering or exiting and always use the steps and handrail.
- ◆ Always obey the bus drivers directions
- ◆ Do not play around the bus



### **WHEN ON THE BUS**

- ◆ Take your seat quietly and quickly, remain seated when the bus is moving
- ◆ Keep your feet on the floor and never put your hands or any other object outside the window of the bus
- ◆ Talk in a quiet voice, be courteous to the driver and schoolmates.

Never distract the driver through misbehaviour on the bus.



## **THE TERRY FOX RUN**

The Yorkview School community will continue the tradition of participating in The Terry Fox Run on National School Run Day. This 37th annual event will take place on Thursday, September 28th at 2:00 p.m. on the Yorkview playground. More information will be provided later this month for families that are interested in donating to this very worthy cause.

## **LUNCHABLES**

Yorkview is collecting Lunchable covers. Collecting points to go towards school supplies. Please hand in to Mrs. Clapham in Mrs. Gardiner's classroom.





With classroom routines adjusting well, Ms. Tower and Mrs. Muller's Kindergarten students are ready to start selling popcorn again. Popcorn will be available Monday and Tuesday throughout the school year. Cost of popcorn is \$2.00 a bag. Options include Butter Salt, Dill Pickle, Salt and Vinegar and White Cheddar.

### Safe Footwear for Gym

While the warm weather is still with us, some students enjoy wearing sandal type shoes to school. Unfortunately, open-toed shoes are a safety concern during gym class so please have alternate footwear available. Running shoes provide better support and coverage for your child's feet and we encourage them to wear running shoes for all indoor and outdoor gym classes.



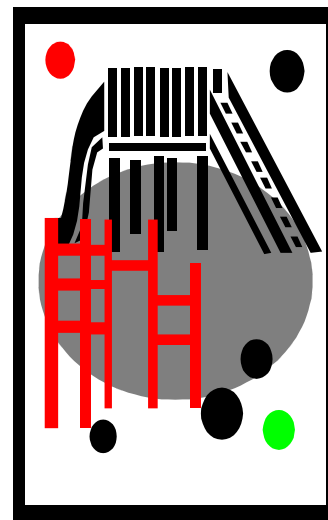
## Playgrounds—Danger of Strangulation

Each year in Canada thousands of children get hurt on playgrounds playing on slides, monkey bars or swings. Some children have died when their clothing or drawstrings got caught on the playground fences or equipment and when they became entangled in ropes or skipping ropes attached to playground equipment. Loose clothing, hoods, scarves, drawstrings, mitten cords, ropes and skipping ropes can strangle a child.

*When buying new clothing, for children, consider alternate closures to drawstrings such as elastics, buttons, velcro or snaps.*

## Safety Tips

- ◆ Remove cords and drawstrings from children's hoods and jackets or trim the exposed length to 8cm.
- ◆ Make sure any loose drawstring is free of knots, loops or toggles as they can get caught.
- ◆ Tuck in all clothing that can get caught on playground equipment.
- ◆ Wear a neck warmer instead of a scarf.
- ◆ Take off bicycle helmets before using playground



## PROMOTING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR YORKVIEW STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Student safety is a priority for Yorkview and we would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our arrival and departure protocol for the school. This protocol will help us maintain the safest environment possible for our school family.

Please support us in promoting a safe environment for our students and their families.

### **Doors Locked: 8:35 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** **MORNING DROP-OFF**

**JK/SK Students** Students will enter from the fenced playground, located at the front of the school. Staff supervision is provided from 8:10 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. Parents and guardians/caregivers are asked to drop off their child(ren) at the gate and not to enter the play area.  
If it is raining or an extreme weather day, kindergarten students will enter as they normally do and go to the gym.

**Grade 1-5 Students** **Access to the parking lot for vehicles is prohibited during this time.**  
Students will enter from the rear playground, located behind the school. Staff supervision is provided from 8:10 a.m. to bell time at 8:25 a.m.  
If it is raining or an extreme weather day, students should go to the playground and enter the school through the gym door.  
**Access to the parking lot for vehicles is prohibited during this time.**

### **AFTERSCHOOL PICK-UP**

**JK/SK Students** Kindergarten parents and guardians/caregivers are to pick up their child(ren) at the gate in the front playground. Staff supervision is provided between 2:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Grade 1-5 Students** **Access to the parking lot for vehicles is prohibited during this time.**  
Students will be dismissed from school directly into the rear playground. Staff supervision is provided between 2:45 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
**Access to the parking lot for vehicles is prohibited during this time.**

If you require alternative accommodation, please contact the school office to discuss your specific accommodation requirement(s).

Your support in this safety protocol is greatly appreciated! If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact the office. Our Parent Council is also here to support you, and can be reached via email at [yorkview-parentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:yorkview-parentcouncil@gmail.com). Our principal may also be reached at [mdegner@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:mdegner@hwdsb.on.ca).



# **Yorkview School Council**

Any parent wishing to run for office on the Yorkview School Council, please fill in the attached form and return it to the principal of the school.

You may nominate yourself or another parent for any of the following positions listed below.

Please note that the person you are nominating must agree to run for office.

**The following positions for the School council need to be filled:**

**Chair**

**Vice Chair**

**Treasurer**

**Co-Treasurer**

**First Secretary**

**Second Secretary**

**Fundraising Co-ordinator**

**Volunteer Co-ordinator**

**Newsletter Chair**

**All parents are welcome to participate in Council discussions at our regular meetings. Please return the attached nomination forms to the office no later than September 21, 2017.**

# SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM

☐ I wish to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the school council.

☐ I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent/guardian representative on the school council.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business/Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, who is currently registered at this school.  
(Name of Student)

\_\_\_\_\_ is the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of person nominated) (Name of Student)  
who is currently registered at this school.

☐ YES

☐ NO

The person I have nominated is an ☐ YES ☐ NO employee of the Board.

I am an employee of the Board.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nominator's Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Candidate's Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return by September 21, 2017