

Yorkview School



OCTOBER 2017

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

Oct. 5 - Yorkview School's Cross Country Meet Oct. 11 - Meet the Teacher Oct. 12 - HWDSB Cross Country Meet Oct. 16 - Kdgn. Trip to Dyment's Pumpkin Patch Oct. 24 - MAD Science Begins Oct. 30 - Lunch Lady



Principal's Corner

It has been a very busy start up this year. Educators shaped routines, got to know students and families, and ran extra curricular activities. Intramural soccer is well into its schedule. Cross Country practices began in preparation for both our school and HWDSB events this month. Several fundraisers also got underway: milk, popcorn and frozen yogurt are all available now to students throughout the week. School Cash Online is back up and running and more parents are experiencing its convenience and security. Our Terry Fox Run and Orange Shirt Day were also impressive school-wide events. Clearly, everyone has had lots to do ! With all of this activity going on. I was reminded about how

seriously we take learning at

Yorkview. Just a few hours after the public release of the school's EQAO's scores at least 3 teachers and a half dozen par ents spoke to me about our high levels of achievement. Even a little girl in grade 3 grinned when she told me we beat last year's scores. We need to celebrate our students' success in both Reading and Writing. Even in Math, our students achieved at a higher level than either the Board or Provincial average. Well done! But learning is never done, nor can it be measured exclusively by just one standardized test. The high scores remind us that we are doing well at our School. We are a friendly, inclusive neighborhood school. Families work well with a great staff to support student achievement. While important to

keep these practices in place, our staff is committed to continuous learning in order to improve our school. At both the September staff meeting and on the PA Day they analyzed a variety of data sets to determine their students' greatest areas of need right now. Year-long collaborative inquiries with colleagues have commenced and we are eager to stretch our thinking. All of this work will be captured in our School Improvement Plan, with its focus in 3 areas (literacy, math, and positive culture and well-being), and shared with School Council at our November meeting. Our first meeting of the year was very well attended. Hope to see you at the next one!.

M. Degner, Principal

MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2017 6:00 TO 7:00 P.M.



Our Terry Fox School run took place on the afternoon of Thursday, September 28th. We were very lucky to have beautiful weather for the event and great participation from all of the students. This is the 34th year that the Yorkview School community has participated in a school run, a tradition to be proud of. Thank you to everyone for your very generous donations. Together the Yorkview community raised \$873.00 for the Terry Fox Foundation.

A big thank to the School Council for providing a delicious apple to each participant and to the Medlock family for washing and bagging the apples for each class.

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.

<u>Pizza Days</u>

Start October 5, 2017. This year we will be having AI Pizza being our supplier. Let us know what you think.

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 Anaphaylaxis

Emergency Plan.





Dundas Valley Co-op Preschool has been caring for young children in Dundas for over 50 years. We're excited to now call Yorkview Elementary our home.

With the help of many volunteers over the summer and funding through government grants, room 122 has been transformed into a warm and welcoming environment for preschoolers. Fully licensed by the Ministry of Education, the preschool program operates under the direction of a volunteer board of directors independent from Yorkview and HWDSB. Hours of operation are currently from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

We would also like to acknowledge the support of HWDSB in establishing this partnerships and the staff, administration and school council at Yorkview for welcoming us. We hope everyone enjoys the revitalized outdoor play area and improved sidewalks at the front of the school that this shared initiative has helped to make a reality. It's great to see some of the preschool's equipment, which was too large for our new indoor space, has been re-purposed and is being used in the front play area. The preschool will be open during Yorkview's upcoming "Meet the Teacher" night in October. Please come by and say hello. We look forward to meeting more friends and families in the Yorkview community and working together to build a strong foundation and nurturing environment for the children.

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. 905-628-8212

Yorkview School Cross Country Meet

Our Yorkview School Cross country Meet will take place on Thursday, October 5 starting at 1:05 $p \cdot m \cdot$ All students in grades 1 to 5 that have returned their cross country permission form and have been attending practices (when the weather has co-operated) are welcome to participate in the school meet \cdot The afternoon will begin with the grade 1 events and finish with the grade 5 events \cdot Participants are reminded to wear footwear and clothing suitable for running and bring along their water bottle \cdot

Our grade 3, 4 and 5 students that successfully complete the required distance for their grade will be invited to participate in the HWDSB board meet on Thursday, October 12th at Christie Lake Conservation Area. More information and permission forms will follow our school meet.

Good Luck Runners!

Cool Little Kids—An Anxiety Prevention Program Info Session: Oct 24th 6:30-7:30 Education Centre, 20 Education Ct

- If you are a primary caregiver of a child <u>JK-Grade 2</u>
- If your child is described as Shy, Withdrawn, or Worried
- Learn practical strategies that will help build your child's confidence

RSVP by Oct 19th 905-527-5092 X2923 Email: coollittlekids@hwdsb.on.ca



Families Worrying Less Together— A Program for Primary Caregivers of Kids Whose Worries Get the Best of Them Info Session: Oct 10th

- An evidence-informed program based on Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- A program for primary caregivers of students in <u>Grade 3-6;</u> children do not attend

RSVP by Oct 5th 905-5275092 X3555 Email: FWLT@HWDSB.on.ca



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

All parents are welcome to join our School Council Meetings. Our next meeting will be Monday, October 23rd 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

