

# **Yorkview School**



APRIL 2019

#### 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**

Apr 3 Gr 1/2 trip to Jack and the Beanstalk

Apr 10 International Day of Pink (Antibullying Day)

Apr 11 Grade 2/3 trip to Dundas Library

Apr 15 School Council Mtg 6:30-8:00

Apr 19 Good Friday (no school)

Apr 22 Easter Monday (no school)

Apr 29 Battle on the Tabletop (chess Tournament 3:00-7:00)

Apr 30 Math Mania Family Fun, Crafts, and Games 6:00-7:30 86 CAMERON AVE. DUNDAS, ON L9H IP8 905-628-8212

## **Principal's Corner**

Spring always brings a burst of energy to school. Staff have been busy analyzing data and identifying next steps in all 3 areas of our school improvement plan: student wellbeing, math, and reading. Jump Rope for Heart gets underway this month and trips and activities are being planned for the rest of the year. Preparations for the EQAO test in late May have started, and we are well into the Board's annual staffing process. Parents have been busy too. The 'Resilience' workshops were engaging and informative. Many of you have been in the school to help with pizza, prepare learning materials, and assist students with learning. And School Council ran yet another amazing Dance-a-thon and has worked with staff to plan our Math Mania Family Fun Night on April 30th. We are really looking forward to this event. It will provide an opportunity for families to spend time together and learn more about math skills and concepts through crafts and games. We even plan to have free pizza and swag bags! Hope to see you there. Thanks to everyone for helping make our school the best it can be.

M. Degner, Principal

## Pizza Orders Are Now Due

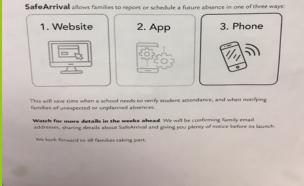
A yellow order form has now gone home to all families. Orders for term 3 can be made using School Cash Online or payment to the school with a cheque. Cash is not accepted. Orders are not taken after April 8th. Money raised is used to offset costs of student activities and creative playground repairs. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Cochlin at the office. . Thank-You

### HWDSB

## A New Way to Report Student Absences

We work to ensure that all students to arrive at school safely each day.

To improve our safe arrival process, we are introducing a new system that will make it easie and more convenient for you to report - and respond to - your child's school absences.





#### Kindergarten Registration for September is Still Open

We are already gearing up for next year in kindergarten! Registration forms are available from the office or can be downloaded at <u>www.hwdsb.on.ca/</u> <u>kindergarten/</u> We also have our annual welcome and orientation for new students and families happening on the same evening as our Open House. **Yorkview Welcome to Kindergarten Orientation: 5:00-6:00 on May 15th** See you there!

#### Safe Schools Protocols

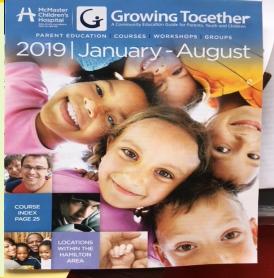
At Yorkvew we take student safety very seriously. Part of insuring students are safe is to practice various drills for a number of situations. Students have been doing a great job on these drills this year. Please be advised that we shall be practicing a Lockdown Drill in the afternoon of Tuesday, April 9th. We also shall be practicing 3 more fire drills during April and May.



#### Growing Together—Parent Education, Courses, Workshops, and Groups

The school is in receipt of this valuable resource. It contains over 100 sessions for parents. Topics include almost something for every parent. For instance there are sessions on dealing with toddler behavior, feeding babies, parenting children with anxiety or ADHD, and griefg support for adults and children. The resource is published by McMaster Children's Hospital, but many of the sessions are located within a community setting. If you want a copy, please check in at the office or visit

www.mcmasterchildrensfamilyresourcecentre.ca



#### **School Council Update**

Happy Spring everyone!! The clocks have spring ahead and that means more sun and warm weather is coming (eventually). Your School Council have been extremely busy over the last month. First and foremost, I want to thank the Yorkview Community, our principle, Mr. Degner, and all the volunteers that worked so hard to help make these wonderful events happen. In these times of change and cut backs to our education system, it is comforting to know that our focus and priorities at School Councils are to our children. On March 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Elizabeth Alvarez with several nursing students gave a workshop to caregivers on "Fostering Resilience in Children". It was well attended and received by all and will be hopefully the first of many. On March 28<sup>th</sup> the entire school boogied on down with our annual fundraising "Dance-a-thon". Thank you to all that supported the event. The kids had an amazing time with a ton of dancing and flossing. Finally, the Environmental Stewardship committee, the Yorkview Community and Green Venture met and planned for the creation of the outdoor classroom. Breaking ground on this project will be happening soon so stay tuned. Please remember to visit our Facebook page and our board of education website. Our next School Council meeting will be held on April 15<sup>th</sup>. Hope to see you there! Majdi

