

TOWN CENTRE MONTESSORI PRIVATE SCHOOLS® An International Baccalaureate® (IB) Candidate School



#### Main Campus

#### May 2017

#### Dates to Remember:

- May 14 Mother's Day
- May 10 and 11
   Music Night Performances
- May 22 Victoria Day
- May 26
   Last Day of Term 3 After School
   Courses
- June 2 Summer Camp Day
- June 6 Uniform Day
  June 10
- Open House

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Town Centre Private High School is officially an authorized IB World School for the Diploma Programme (DP).

### IB Learner Profile Focus for May: BALANCED

"We understand the importance of balancing different aspects of our lives - intellectual, physical, and emotional - to achieve well-being for ourselves and others. We recognize our interdependence with other people and with the world in which we live."

## STEM Fair 2017

On April I, the top 5 winners in our grade 8 STEM Fair participated in the York Region Science and Technology Fair (YRSTF), hosted by York University. We are pleased to announce that we had great results from this

competition. Ivan Wu received an Honourable Mention for his excellent project. Christy Ho and Suraj Sudheendra each received a Bronze Medal, and Andrew Pun won a Silver Medal. As YRSTF Champion, Shirothie Puwaneswaran has been invited to compete in the National Science Fair which will be held in Saskatchewan in May. Congratulations to our future scientists!

#### <u>Grade 8 YRSTF Winners!</u> Shirothie Puwaneswaran – Gold Medal Winner Andrew Pun – Silver Medal Winner Christy Ho – Bronze Medal Winner Suraj Sudheendra – Bronze Medal Winner Ivan Wu – Honourable Mention



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# **Town Centre Montessori Private Schools**

#### Register for Summer Camp and the 2017-2018 School Year



#### TCMPS Summer Camp

We are now accepting registrations for this year's TCMPS Summer Camp which is packed with many fun activities and exciting programs to keep all our campers happy and busy for July and August. From the popular Computer and Sports programs to the creative Arts and fun Science activities, we have the cure for your child's summer boredom! Check out our new programs: Tiger Tracks and Game Zone! Weekly registration is available for your convenience.

## 2017-2018 School Year

The end of this school year is quickly approaching and we would like to request that all parents re-register your child as soon as possible in order to reserve your child's spot for the upcoming school year. Please visit the Main Office if you need any assistance or if you have any questions about the IB programme in the next school year.



#### Earth Day Clean Up

On Friday, April 21, the members of the Student Activity Council and the grade 6 students observed Earth Day by cleaning up Highgate Park. We were pleased to have Markham City Councillor, Alex Chiu, come by to greet our students! Thank you students and teachers for doing a great job cleaning up our community!



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#### Spring Concert "SAFARI"

On April 12 and 13, the grades 2 and 3 students performed in our Spring Concert "SAFARI." The students sang and danced to fun songs like Going Bananas and Party Animals. From the stage set, to the lights and sound, and the amazing costumes, the entire show was a big success. Thank you to our Music teacher, Ms. Samantha Huang, who did an outstanding job. Many thanks to the enthusiastic students and the dedicated staff for their hard work to put on a very entertaining show!



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# **Town Centre Montessori Private Schools**

#### Mother's Day and Victoria Day Holiday

On behalf of the administration and staff we would like to wish all our wonderful mothers a very Happy Mother's Day on Sunday, May 14!

TCMPS will be closed on Monday, May 22 for the Victoria Day holiday. Classes will resume at their regularly scheduled hours on Tuesday, May 23. We would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable long weekend!

#### **Pencils of Promise**

This year several grade 8 students promoted a special fundraising campaign to raise funds and awareness for a charity called Pencils of Promise. Our students sold donuts and refreshments at the spring concert and in school, and raised \$645 for this great cause. Donations help build schools in developing countries and enable children to go to school. Thank you to our students and parents for your support! Special thanks goes to Ms. Kathy Bernabe who organized this worthwhile activity.



#### After School Courses: Observation Classes

Within the next few weeks parents who have children registered in certain After School Courses will be receiving invitations to the After School Courses Observation Classes to view performances or a special class. Information regarding dates and times will be provided soon. Parents are asked to note that the last day of regularly scheduled After School Courses program for term 3 will be on Friday, May 26. Thank you to all the parents for supporting the After School Courses.

#### **Uniform Sale Day**

We are pleased to announce that InSchoolwear will become the new official uniform supplier. Beginning June I, parents will be able to purchase uniform items from InSchoolwear at their store located at 1550 16th Avenue, Building A, Units 15 & 16. For the month of June, InSchoolwear will waive the tax on all uniform purchases.

We are also taking the opportunity to make some small updates the school uniform. The new school uniform will be available from InSchoolwear. Please note that there will be a 2 year phase in period for wearing the new school uniform. Students may still wear the current uniform for the next 2 years. Beatties, our current uniform supplier, is now offering a sale of 75% off its existing stock of the current school uniform while supplies last for purchases bought in store at 12 Trojan Gate.

TCMPS will be having a uniform sale day at the Main Campus on Monday, June 5, and at the Amarillo Campus on Friday, June 16. InSchoolwear will be in the Main Gymnasium from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. to give parents an opportunity to purchase their child's uniform for the upcoming school year. Staff will be available to help you with your child's sizing and purchases. Our aim is to have our students looking their best and wearing their uniform with pride.

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#### **TCMPS Elementary Yearbook**

The elementary yearbook is a wonderful keepsake for your family. The yearbook captures special moments from the 2016–2017 school year as well as a retrospective of the end of last school year. The yearbook will be displayed in full colour within an embossed hardcover. The yearbook will arrive early in June, in order for the students to receive their copy before the last day of school.

We are now taking orders for the yearbook which can be purchased for \$40.00 through the school's Main Office. On behalf of the yearbook committee, we hope that you and your child enjoy this memorable book.



#### **Music Nights**

Our students and staff have been very busy preparing for the Music Nights in May. All the students in grades 4 to 8, as well as the choir, will be participating in this event. Each of the grade bands will perform in the Main Gymnasium in one of the Music Nights as listed below. Tickets are now on sale in the Main Office for \$5.

Wednesday, May 10: Music Night 1, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Grade 4 Band, Grade 6 Band, Grade 7 Band, and Choir

Thursday, May 11: Music Night 2, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Grade 5 Band, Grade 8 Band, and Choir



### **TCPHS** Arts Night

Congratulations to the high school staff and students for putting on a entertaining evening of drama, art, and music during the TCPHS Arts Night on Thursday April 27. This year's drama department's production of Ashland Falls was great fun and the audience really enjoyed the performances of the enthusiastic actors. Visitors were also able to view creative student artwork on display, and listen to a special performance by the high school band. Arts Night is a great way to showcase the wonderful visual and performing arts talents of our high school students and staff.



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### TCPHS Model United Nations (MUN)

Model United Nations, also known as Model UN or MUN, is an extracurricular activity in our high school, in which students role play delegates to the United Nations and simulate UN committees, to analyze world issues and global politics. This activity involves substantial research, public speaking, debating, and writing skills, as well as critical thinking, teamwork, and leadership abilities. This year, eight determined TCPHS grade 11 students participated in the Budapest International Model United Nations (BIMUN) Conference from April 6 to 11 in Budapest, Hungary.

BIMUN 2017 had over 300 participants from Europe, Middle East, Taiwan and Canada. The students debated their country's position, created allies, and developed working resolutions to solve international issues. It was also a great opportunity to see a different city, and learn more about its heritage and history, as well as learn some local customs and vocabulary. The students had a chance to enjoy Hungarian food, and visit the Buda Palace, Parliament, Hero's Square, the Opera House and many local markets in the city.

Our students really benefited from the trip. They represented a diverse Canadian delegation and were welcomed by all. One of our students, Rocco Ruan received an honorable mention as being a well-spoken, researched delegate. Next year, MUN at TCPHS plans to attend 2 conferences, one Ontario conference in the first semester and a second international conference abroad.



If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or stop by the Main Office anytime to speak to any one of the Vice-Principals.



Registered Business Name of Town Centre Group Inc.

For Parents and Guardians who are interested in bus services, please see the list of bus companies below as well as the advertisements for Kids Limo and New Bus Service.

#### STUDENT TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Below are bus services that have contacted the School and advertise door-to-door pick up. The companies are presented for your information only and there is no recommendation or endorsement of these services by the School. In addition, parents or guardians are not limited to these particular bus companies. However, regardless of service, parents or guardians are required to place all bus drivers and their services on their child's release list.

The School has no role in establishing policies for any bus company, the hiring of their drivers or planning specific routes. The drivers and other personnel hired by the companies are not employees of the School and therefore, the School has no responsibility, obligation or liability regarding the service provided. Of course, as with any service provider, parents or guardians are encouraged to fully investigate and interview any company who may offer to provide such service.

New Bus Service 905-554-6796 Contact: Jo Wang Email: <u>newbusservice@ymail.com</u>

Kids Limo (Please note transportation arrangements need to be booked prior to September.) 905-771-9678 Contact: Terri Guttierez Email: <u>info@kidslimo.com</u> Website: www.kidslimo.com

#### Student Limo

(Please note transportation arrangements need to be booked prior to September.) 416-543-2322 Contact Norma Aziz Email: <u>info@studentlimo.ca</u> Website: www.studentlimo.ca

 Main Campus (Grades 2 to 12)

 155 Clayton Drive, Markham, Ontario L3R 7P3

 T: (905) 470-1200
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**Amarillo Campus** (Pre-School to Grade 1) 76 Amarillo Avenue, Markham, Ontario L3R 0V3 T: (905) 474-3434 F: (905) 474-3113 Milliken Campus (Pre-School) 3 Clayton Drive, Markham, Ontario L3R 8N3 T: (905) 470-8178 F: (905) 470-0570

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KIDS LIMO is celebrating it's 23rd year of providing safe and reliable transportation for children in the GTA

KIDS LIMO offers "door-to-door" service that provides busy parents with peace of mind that their children are being transported to and from school and other activities safely and reliably.

- Kids Limo's personalized service guarantees that your child will be safely handed off to supervisory staff at their destination/activity or, for home bound trips, that our drivers will not leave until your child is safely inside your house.
- Kids Limo's "Team" of drivers is comprised of experienced and mature individuals with fully vetted driving records, vulnerable persons police checks and are easily identifiable with Kids Limo Photo ID Badges.
- Kids Limo has full time office staff supervising our drivers and routes. Real time communication allows changes to quickly be relayed to our drivers and in the event of delays we can quickly notify schools/parents eliminating worry.
- Kids Limo exclusively uses mini-vans, allowing shorter route schedules that provide less travel time and greater flexibility in pick up/drop off times and destinations. Kids Limo vehicles are clean, well maintained and clearly marked with large colourful logos for easy identification by students and school staff. All vehicles are equipped with seat belts and CSA approved car and booster seats.
- KIDS LIMO is licensed by the Ontario Highway Transport Board, which requires a mandatory \$5,000,000 Commercial Insurance policy for School Bus Operators.

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TOLL FREE YORK REGION TEL (905)771-9678

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School Transit Service Brochure	About Us We provide door-to-door School bus service for children on
	Our school transport service is carried in Mercedes Sprinter Our school transport service is carried in Mercedes Sprinter (15-seat) to ensure personal attention to all kids during their travel from home to school. Our service is for Community and Private Schools in GTA area.
SPACIOUS	We understand the concerns of all parents on the security and safety of their kid while they travel from home to school
LUXURY	Our priority is to ensure kids reaches the school safe and in time. To ensure this we train the drivers on routes with least
COMFORT	traffic. All of our drivers are Criminal Records checked and holds B licenses (School bus drivers licenses).
	We also keep contact with the school monitor the school runs on regular basis during climate changes or other issues. All of our vehicles are equipped with GPS, which monitors
SAF	movement on their route. <b>General Information</b> Be ready five (5) minutes before your scheduled pickup time
FRIENDLY	Transporting of Equipment on Buses
RFLIARLE	<ul> <li>Musical Instruments,</li> <li>Skates Hockey Equipment, Skis, Poles, Snowboards, Skateboards, etc</li> </ul>
	Must be in a case/bag with name tag, and shall be placed at the back of the bus.
OFFICE: 416-457-7666 FAX: 905-554-6796	<ul> <li>Emergency Information</li> <li>Please keep the school up to date on any changes to your child's medical health.</li> <li>It is critical that phone numbers for parents/guardians and emergency contacts be accurate at all times through out the service period.</li> </ul>