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AMARILLO CAMPUS BULLETIN

MAY 2024

Warmer Weather

Important Dates

- 12th | Mother's Day
- 20th | Victoria Day

As we revel in the delights of May, let's reflect on the wonders of April and eagerly anticipate the joys that this vibrant month brings.

Our students recently experienced the sheer delight of our chick hatching program. Witnessing these fluffy newcomers hatch from their eggs was nothing short of magical! This hands-on encounter with new life sparked excitement and curiosity.

In the classroom, our young gardeners have been busy planting seeds and watching them grow. Through hands-on activities like these, our students learn valuable lessons about the cycle of life and the importance of nurturing living things.

The students will have more outdoor gym activities as the weather gets warmer. It is important that your child brings a hat and sunscreen lotion to school. Please ensure that all personal articles are clearly labelled to avoid 'mistaken identities'. Also, please ensure that your child is wearing appropriate footwear to school.

Let's celebrate these moments of exploration and learning, nurturing a sense of wonder and appreciation for the world around us.



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Mother's Day - May 12th

As May unfolds and blossoms with the promise of Spring, we pause to celebrate a cherished occasion: Mother's Day.

Today, we honor and celebrate you for the countless ways you enrich our lives and the lives of your children. Thank you for all that you do, today and everyday.

To all the wonderful mothers within our school community Happy Mother's Day!



Victoria Day - May 20th

Please note that Clayton and Amarillo Campuses will be closed on Monday, May 20th, in observance of Victoria Day.

Classes will resume at their regular hours on Tuesday, May 21st. Wishing everyone a restful and enjoyable long weekend!



2023-2024 Pre-School Yearbook

As we eagerly anticipate the arrival of the 2023-2024 Pre-School Yearbook, our Yearbook Committee is filled with excitement. This yearbook will capture all the memorable moments from our trips, concerts, special events, and more throughout the school year. It's sure to become a cherished keepsake for years to come.

We're pleased to remind you that, thanks to the Student Activity Fee paid earlier this year, all TCPS students will receive a copy of the yearbook. Delivery is expected in mid-June, so be on the lookout for this wonderful memento of the school year!



DELIVERY EXPECTED

MID-JUNE

Re-Registration for 2024-2025 and Summer Camp Registration

Registrations for the 2024-2025 school year are well underway for both new and existing students. We extend our heartfelt appreciation to all parents who have already completed the registration process, entrusting TCPS with their child's educational journey.

Exciting plans are underway for our upcoming TCPS Summer Camp! Led by our dedicated team of familiar teachers, known and trusted by our students and families, we are eagerly anticipating a summer filled with fun-filled activities!

The 2024 Summer camp is scheduled to run for 8 weeks, commencing on July 2nd and concluding on August 23rd.

Message from York Region Public Health

We have received notification from York Region Public Health regarding measles vaccination and exposure. Please find the document below for detailed information and recommendations.

May 1, 2024

Dear School Staff, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers:

Re: Ensuring a safe school environment: What happens if there is a case of measles in school

The COVID-19 pandemic disrupted routine vaccinations, leading to increased measles cases globally. We recently had a confirmed measles case in York Region and other confirmed measles cases in surrounding regional areas. Measles is a very contagious viral infection. It spreads easily through the air and close contact when a person infected with measles breathes, coughs or sneezes.

If a measles case is identified at school, under-vaccinated/unvaccinated staff and students (without documented immunity) may be excluded for 21 days after the last measles exposure to prevent the virus from spreading further. This highlights the importance of ensuring your and your child's measles vaccinations are up-to-date to protect them and the school community.

Please check your and your child's vaccination status. If you are unsure about you or your child's vaccination history, check your or your child's Ontario Immunization Record (yellow card), [Immunization Connect Ontario \(ICON\)](#) (for students in York Region) or speak with your primary health care provider.

You or your child are considered protected against measles and can attend school if there is a measles case if one of these applies to you:

Year of Birth	Are you protected against measles?
Born before 1970	<ul style="list-style-type: none">You are considered immune and protected as measles was widely spreading before 1970If you are unsure if you had measles as a child, you can get one dose of the measles vaccine (MMR)
Born in 1970 or later	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Received two doses of the measles vaccine on or after the first birthday. A vaccination record (such as a yellow card) or health record is needed as proof of vaccination, ORA blood test result showing measles immunity: A blood test may take some time to complete if you don't know your status, ORA record of confirmed measles infection

Where to get vaccinated

Measles vaccines are free for all Ontarians.

Students: Students can catch up on their routine vaccinations, including measles, by visiting their

YORK REGION PUBLIC HEALTH
1-877-464-9675
TTY 1-866-512-6228
york.ca/measles



All individuals 12 months and older may get the measles (MMR) vaccine at a:

- Primary health care provider
- Medical _____
- YRPH vaccine clinic (_____) if you do **not** have access to vaccines through a health care provider

Report your child's vaccinations

Submit your child's measles vaccination record to YRPH through [Immunization Connect Ontario \(ICON\)](#). This helps ensure school immunization records are up to date.

Know measles symptoms

Even if vaccinated, look out for symptoms if you or your child comes into contact with someone with measles:

- Cough
- Runny nose
- Fever
- Red and watery eyes
- A red, blotchy rash. Typically, beginning at the head and spreads down the body to the arms and legs, usually appearing three to seven days after becoming ill. The rash disappears in the same order of appearance (head to foot) in about four to seven days
- Sensitivity to light
- Small white spots with a white centre inside the mouth (Koplik spots)

Do not go to work or school if you or your child experience these symptoms. Seek medical care. Call your doctor, primary health care provider or a medical walk-in clinic before visiting, so they can take precautions to avoid spreading the virus. Follow their guidance and medical advice.

If you have any questions about measles and measles vaccinations, call 1-877-464-9675, ext. 73456 (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) or visit york.ca/measles.

Thank you for keeping everyone safe and healthy in our communities.