



TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS®



May 2024

Upcoming Events:

- **May 12**
Mother's Day
- **May 9, 10**
Spring Concert
- **May 16, 17**
Band Concerts
- **May 20**
Victoria Day, no school
- **May 13 to 16**
Scholastic Book Fair

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Earth Day

As part of Earth Day, on April 22, Town Centre participated in a service-learning program to help better serve our planet through our immediate community. Two grade 8 students, Sarah G. and Meala P. who selected Environmental Protection as their MYP Community Project topic, worked with the Student Council to organize a special initiative. On April 22, grade 6 students cleaned up litter at Highgate Park and met with our City Councilor, Isa Lee, who expressed her appreciation for our efforts in promoting environmental protection within our community. TCPS continues to be a proud City of Markham supporter!



Mother's Day and Victoria Day Holiday

We would like to wish our wonderful mothers a very Happy Mother's Day on Sunday, May 12.

There will be no classes on Monday, May 20 for the Victoria Day holiday. School will resume on Tuesday, May 21. We would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable long weekend!



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Register for School

As we look forward to the end of the school year, we would like to remind all parents who have not yet registered to do so as soon as possible. Summer will soon be here but there's still time to register for school before June 2024. Please inquire at the Main Office or the High School Office if you have any questions about the elementary or high school programs. Parents may register via the school website, or in person at the office. Please click the link below to access the enrolment form from our website.

[Click this link to register for school](#)

Register for Summer Camp

We are making preparations for 2024 TCPS Summer Camps with fun and interesting activities for elementary students. We offer extended care hours, variety of courses, and fun experiences for your child. Check out our super fun SUMMER CAMP for grades 1 to 5 students, and LEVEL UP for grades 6 to 8 students. What a great way to keep your child's skills sharp over the summer!

[Click this link to register for summer camp programs](#)

Parking Lot Reminder

Parents are reminded to drive slowly and carefully in the school parking lot. Please be courteous to other drivers and watch for pedestrians. Obey all traffic and parking regulations. Park only in designated parking spots and only park in the handicapped parking space with a permit. Parents who park at the back of the school by Entrance G are reminded not to park along the wall of the building and do not park along the pylons as it significantly reduces visibility of pedestrians. With your cooperation we can ensure the safety of children walking to and from their cars in the parking lot.



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 inter-dependence with other people and with the world."

Spring Concert and Band Concerts

Students and staff are very busy preparing for our Grades 2 & 3 Spring Concerts and our Grades 4 to 8 Band Concerts. Parents are reminded of the dates. A limited number of guest tickets are still available at the office. We can't wait to showcase the musical talents of our students and we look forward to seeing you at the concerts!

**Spring Concert -Thursday May 9**

Performing: Grades 2-120, 2-122, 3-127

- Morning matinee performance audience: grades 4 and 5
- Afternoon performance for parent audience
- Main Gym 4:00 to 5:00

Band Concert -Thursday May 16

Performing: Choir and Grades 4, 6, & 8 classes

- Morning matinee performance audience: grades 3, 5, & 7
- Afternoon performance for parent audience
- Main Gym 4:00 to 5:00

Spring Concert - Friday May 10

Performing: Grades 2-121, 3-126, 3-127

- Morning matinee performance audience: grades 6 to 8
- Afternoon performance for parent audience
- Main Gym 4:00 to 5:00

Band Concert -Friday May 17

Performing: Choir and Grades 5 & 7 classes

- Morning matinee performance audience: grades 4, 6, & 8
- Afternoon performance for parent audience
- Main Gym 4:00 to 5:00

Click the link for the parent memo

[Spring Concert Parent Memo](#)

Click the link for the parent memo

[Band Concert Parent Memo](#)

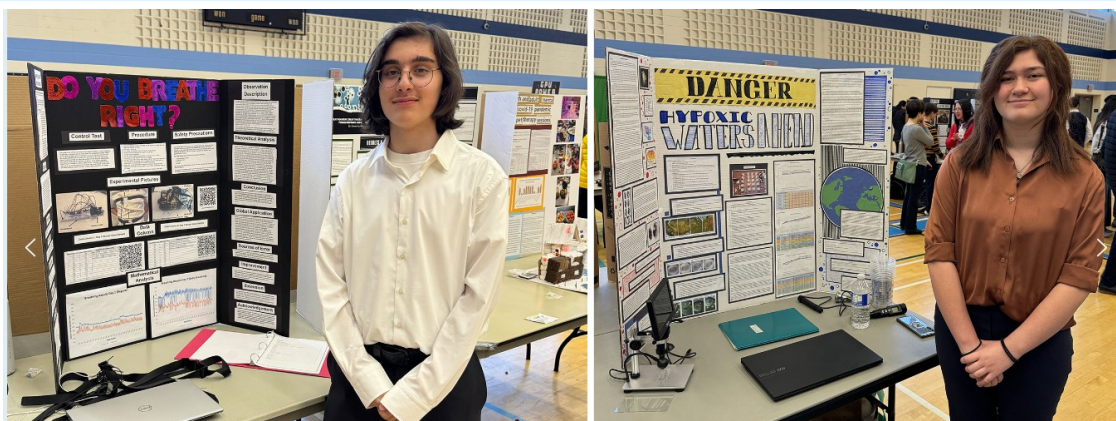
**Scholastic Book Fair**

We are excited to share the news of our Scholastic Book Fair and invite you and your child to be a part of this literacy extravaganza.

May 13 to 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the LRC.

The in-school Book Fair is a fantastic opportunity for your child to discover new books, explore different genres and foster a love of reading. Students can also stock up on fun stationery, bookmarks, and posters! All purchases benefit our school: with your purchases, the school earns Scholastic Dollars that can be redeemed for books and educational resources for the LRC! Thank you for your support!

York Region Science and Technology Fair



The York Region Science and Technology Fair is a regional Science Fair that showcases student research from students in grades 7 to 12. On April 6, the top 5 grade 8 winners of TCPS STEM Fair participated in this year's Fair hosted by York University. This is the 3rd year that Town Centre has entered this competition and TCPS students have been awarded medals each year.

Congratulations to Radin G. who received a Silver Medal with his project "Are We Breathing Wrong?" Congratulations to Cassia S. who received a Bronze Medal with her project "Danger: Hypoxic Waters Ahead." Cassia also was awarded the Canadian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society (CMS) Award Second Place Prize. This prize is given for projects in the field of Meteorological and Oceanographic Sciences including projects on the topics of weather, air quality, climate change, oceans and related sciences. Cassia received the second place prize of \$75. Outstanding results for students at Town Centre Private Schools!

SSAF Elementary Co-Ed Table Tennis Championship



On Tuesday, March 5, Town Centre competed in the SSAF Elementary Co-Ed Table Tennis Championship and won 4 medals! Congratulations to Laura L. and Srishti S. for winning gold in Elementary Girls' Doubles, to Dina K. for winning gold and Sana K. who won silver in Elementary Girls' Singles! Thanks to the skill and determination of our players, Town Centre Private School collectively placed 1st overall in the Elementary Division and brought home a Championship banner!

Lunch Time Reminder

Lunch time for elementary students is 11:45 to 12:45 daily. Parents who are bringing lunch or ordering food delivery should make arrangements for food to arrive before 11:45, so students can stay on schedule and eat lunch with their class. Please ensure deliveries have your child's name and room number.

11:45

**TC the Tiger
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Go Tigers!

High School Arts Night

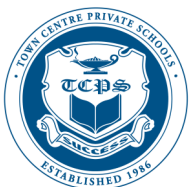
Congratulations to our High School for an incredible Arts Night! Featuring a play, musical performances, and an art display, the evening was a great success! The drama department put on a fantastic play based on the mystery board game Clue, which was so much fun for the performers and the audience! Thank you to the participating grade 7 and 8 and High School band students for a great performance! A very big thank you to the students, staff and faculty for their great efforts in putting on a wonderful evening of Visual, Musical, and Theatrical Arts for the audience!



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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

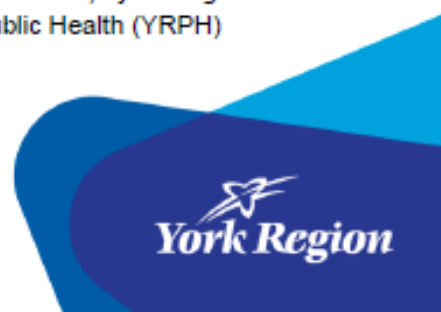
Where to get vaccinated

Measles vaccines are free for all Ontarians.

Students: Students can catch up on their routine vaccinations, including measles, by visiting their primary health care provider, a walk-in medical clinic, or a York Region Public Health (YRPH) community vaccine clinic (by [appointment](#) only).

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 [walk-in clinic](#)
- YRPH vaccine clinic (by [appointment](#) only) 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.