



TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS®



**IB World
School**

February 2022

Upcoming Events:

- **February 11**
Team Canada Day
- **February 14**
Valentine's Day
- **February 14**
Gr. 7 to 12 Talent Show
- **February 18**
Gr 1 to 5 Winter Carnival
- **February 21**
Family Day no school
- **February 25**
Gr. 5 PYP Exhibition

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Re-Registration

Thank you to all families who have already re-registered for the next school year. If you have not yet done so, please submit your registration forms as soon as possible to guarantee your position for the next school year. We are currently accepting registration forms through the School App and website, and you can also register in person at the Main Office. If you have any questions about what you can expect for the next school year, please contact the Main Office and we will be happy to assist you.

Register on the School App or click the link to register online.

[Elementary Enrolment Form](#)

**Re-registration
deadline extended to
Tuesday, February 15!
You still have time to
take advantage of
great discounts!**



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IB Learner Profile Focus for February: Caring

“Students show empathy, compassion and respect towards the needs and feelings of others. They have a personal commitment to service, and act to make a positive difference to the lives of others and to the environment.”



Congratulations to Chesand Gregory, Former TCPS Teacher



We are so excited to spotlight a former TCPS teacher who has become an award-winning author and entrepreneur. Ms. Chesand Gregory has written a new book, “Did Santa Wear A Mask? A Christmas Adventure with the JAG Brothers,” which launched virtually in November, 2021. The book was inspired by her young son’s curiosity and questions about the COVID-19 pandemic. Chesand’s two sons, nicknamed the JAG Brothers, are the heroes in the story as they help Santa solve a big problem during the pandemic. Chesand is a passionate activist for children’s rights. As an educator, she supports organizations like the *Helping Hands Jamaica Foundation* to build schools in rural communities in Jamaica, and the *Toronto Foundation for Student Success in Canada* which provides educational support for children in need. Through her book, Chesand shares the message of the importance of teamwork, cooperation and problem-solving while empowering children’s individuality and diversity. In recognition of her achievements, Chesand was awarded the Mom’s Choice Gold Award which honours excellence in family-friendly products.

We are very proud of Chesand and invite you to help us celebrate her success!
For more information, visit [ChesandGregory.com](https://www.chesandgregory.com) or [@themarvelouschessiglori](https://www.instagram.com/themarvelouschessiglori) on Instagram.
Video Link: <https://www.youtube.com/embed/0U2iVHSIN-o>

Celebrating IB at TCPS

Throughout the year the PYP and MYP teachers have been incorporating the themes such as reflection, diversity, equity, social responsibility, and service learning in their units. The core goal of IB is to “develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.” Here are some recent amazing school activities which our students are engaged in.



Thank you to [#ProjectConfetti](#) for letting us be a part of their amazing organization and helping spread kindness like confetti! MYP students decorated gift boxes and donated much needed items for the care packages which were delivered to The Children’s Health Unit at Markham Stouffville Hospital.

The TCPS Student Activity Council who organized the food and toy drive, is very thankful to our students and parents for their generosity in supporting the families in need in our community. In December, 15 Food Drive boxes and 8 large Toy Drive boxes were picked up by the Markham Fire Department.



February 1st marks the first day of Black History Month. As we celebrate and recognize the Black communities throughout our past, present and future, we continue to educate ourselves on what positive change looks like. Each week classrooms will have the opportunity to view student created educational content, the Spotlight Series video of the week, which will highlight and celebrate Black athletes, musicians, activists and young leaders throughout history.



On [#BellLetsTalk](#) Day in January, our students discussed mental health coping mechanisms and resources. Students had the opportunity to participate in meaningful activities and discussions with their peers and teachers that encouraged self-care and kind actions.

The [Dove Self-Esteem Project](#) and the True to Me club’s mission is to ensure that the next generation grows up enjoying a positive relationship with the way they look. Led by Ms. Nicholson, participating grade 8 students took part in confidence building activities while discussing the appearance ideal, learning from one another and understanding other points of view.

Valentine's Day

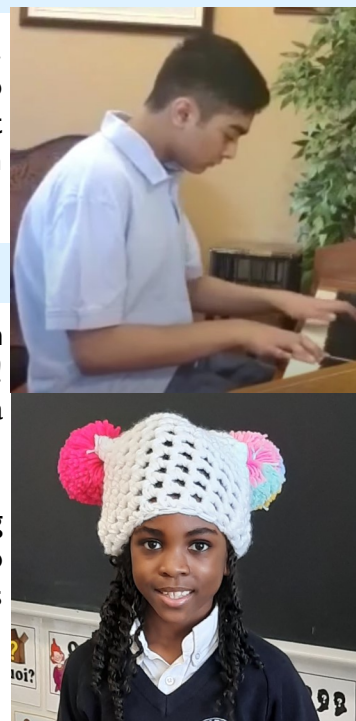
On Monday, February 14, the grades 2 to 8 students will celebrate Valentine's Day. Students may wear red, white, or pink clothing instead of their school uniform. Students will enjoy this day through various Valentine's Day activities within their cohorts both online and in person.



Please note that with COVID restrictions, classes will not be allowed to share food. Students are asked to bring their own lunch and snacks as usual. Students will not be sharing or distributing any goodies, loot bags, or presents to their class. Students should not take home anything which comes from another household.

Gr. 7 to 12 Talent Show

Also on February 14, the grades 7 to 12 Virtual Talent Show will be held. Interested students were asked to submit a video of their performance to audition for the show. We are looking forward to watching the Virtual Talent Show that will showcase some awesome singing, dancing, and musical talent from our participating High School and grades 7 and 8 students!



Winter Olympics and Winter Carnival

To coincide with the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics, we will celebrate Team Canada with a few different activities and contests for students to participate in! Friday, February 11 will be Team Canada Day and gr 2 to 8 students can wear a Team Canada Jersey or any red or white clothing

Then on Friday, February 18, our grades 1 to 5 students will have an exciting Winter Carnival Day. The students will have fun activities and games designed to beat the winter blues. It will be a civvies day for grades 1 to 5 students on this Winter Carnival Day.

Journey through the IB PYP Exhibition

Researcher, Curious, Communicator, Team Player, Open Minded, Risk taker, Global Thinker, Caring, Inquirer, Balanced

LISTEN To The Kids

Co-act

Name: _____

Grade 5 PYP Exhibition

We're excited to showcase our first Grade 5 IB PYP Exhibition (Primary Years Programme) on February 25. Students will work collaboratively in teams to select a real life issue and carry out an inquiry based culminating project. With the guidance of teacher mentors, they will plan assessments and learning experiences, where they can demonstrate their understanding of the key elements of the PYP that include the learner profiles, key concepts, attitudes to learning and how to take action. They'll also have the chance to work on their communication and presentation skills, discussing their projects and inquiries with teachers and other learners.

**TC the Tiger
SAYS:**



Go Tigers!

Family Day and Reminder About March Break



Monday, February 21 is Family Day, a statutory holiday. All Campuses of Town Centre Private Schools will be closed. Classes will resume on Tuesday, February 22. Happy Family Day to all our TCPS families!

The Main Campus will be closed for a PD Day on Friday, March 11. Also, the school will be closed for Pre-school, Elementary and High School Divisions for March Break which will be from March 14 through to March 18. School will resume on Monday, March 21.

Income Tax Receipts for 2021

At the end of February, all parents will automatically receive a receipt for tuition fees paid for 2021. Parents do not have to apply for the receipts. Please note that receipts will not be available prior to the end of February.

Reader's Choice Awards



Thank you to everyone who helped TCPS to advance to the voting round of the Markham Economist & Sun's 2021 Readers' Choice Awards in 5 eligible categories:

- Best Private School**
- Best Daycare/Child Care**
- Best Nursery School**
- Best Summer Camps**
- Best Business that Gives Back to the Community**



Parents can vote online until February 28 using the Vote TCPS link above.

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FEBRUARY SPECIAL

We will be extending our January Special into February this year.

Sweet & Sour Chicken Balls with Steamed Basmati Rice

Breaded chicken pieces in a tangy sweet & sour sauce served over fluffy steamed rice

*gluten friendly and vegetarian options available online



The special is available as a combo with fruit or as an entrée only.

The January Special is available on your school's service days until February 28th!

Place your orders online at www.kidskitchen.ca

[Visit us on-line to see our full menu.](#)

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February 7–28



In February, bring in your new or gently used books and donate them to the LRC!

The class that brings in the most books will win a prize!

yes

- Books for Kindergarten to Grade 12
- Fiction & Non-Fiction (any genre)
- Poetry & Plays (e.g. Shakespeare)
- Comics & Graphic Novels
- Hobby & Instructional (e.g. cooking, tools, coding, etc)

no

- Adult books or novels
- School textbooks
- School workbooks
- Magazines
- Damaged books (writing, discoloured, torn, etc)

Any questions about the Book Drive can be directed to Ms. Exarhakos

