



TOWN CENTRE PRIVATE SCHOOLS®



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February 2024

Upcoming Events:

- **February 5**
Grad Photo Day
- **February 14**
Valentine's Day
- **February 14**
Gr. 7 to 12 Talent Show
- **February 16**
TCPS TED Talks
- **February 19**
Family Day no school

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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. You can submit registration forms online and you can also register in person at the Main Office. We are accepting re-registrations for the next school year and pre-registrations for summer camp. If you have any questions please contact the Main Office and we will be happy to assist you. To register online, click the "Register Now" button above or visit the office for a paper copy of the registration form.



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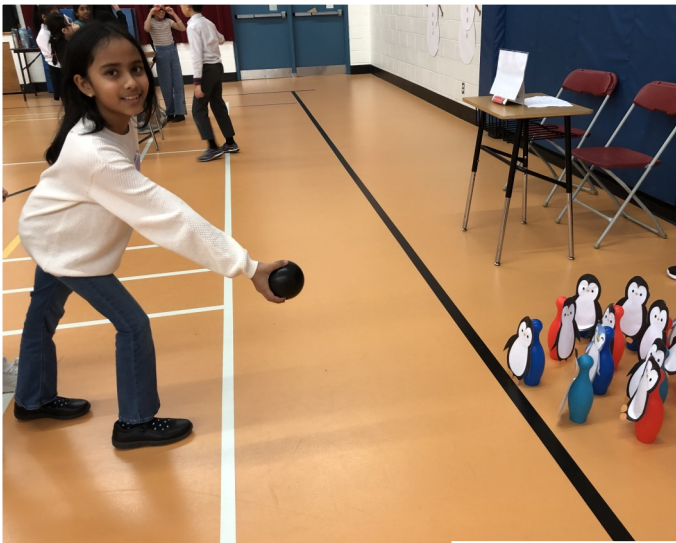
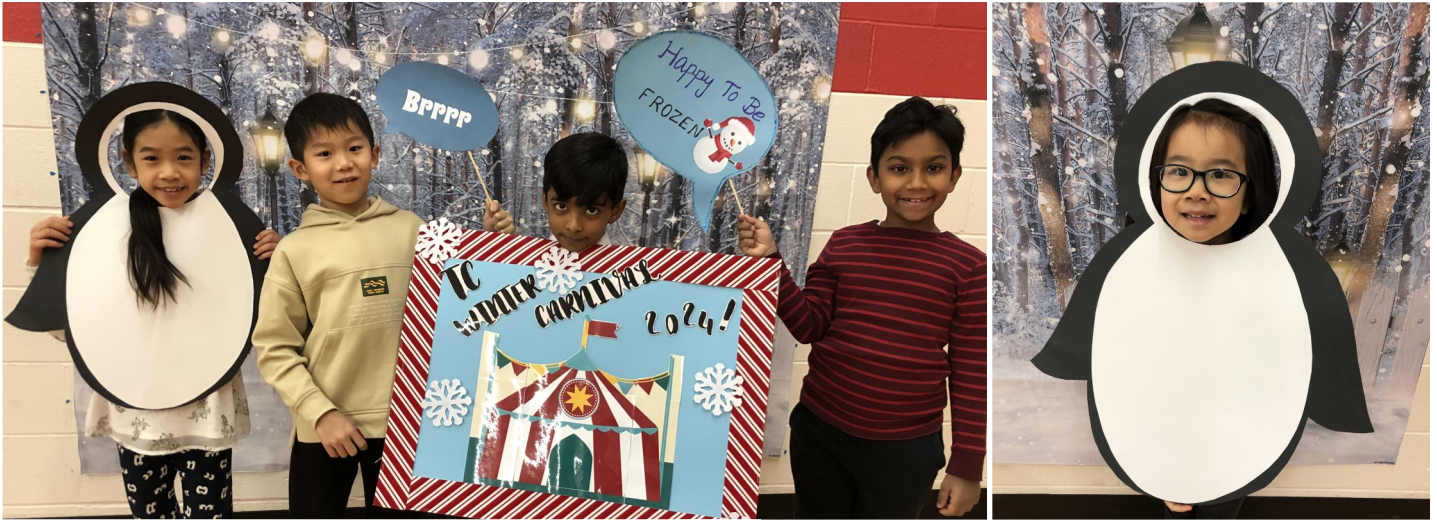
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Winter Carnival Fun!



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.”

Black History Month

February is Black History Month and this year’s theme is “Black Excellence: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build”. This month, Town Centre will feature Black History Month by celebrating the history and accomplishments of black people. The LRC will promote books related to Black History Month, featuring popular black authors. We will host a guest speaker, Mr. Jamaal Myers, Toronto City Councillor for Scarborough North, who will share his experiences and inspirational stories with students in grades 4 to 8. The SAC students will make announcements on the school PA system citing quotations from Black Canadians and Americans. Classes will also participate by making posters relating to the Black History Month theme. We hope to encourage open communication to promote a better understanding of the past in an effort to forge a better future.



[Black History Month Canada.ca](https://Canada.ca/black-history-month)

Valentine's Day

On Wednesday, 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. Teachers will post a sign up sheet for pot luck lunch. We ask all parents to be mindful of students who have allergies in the classroom and an ingredient list must accompany all food items. If you order a pizza for your child's classroom, please ensure that the driver has your child's name and room number, and that the pizza has been paid for.



Gr. 7 to 12 Talent Show

We are eagerly awaiting the annual Grades 7 to 12 Talent Show which will be held on Wednesday, February 14. With the variety of fun and interesting student performances, the show is sure to be a huge hit with the audience of grades 7 to 12 students. The students also host the show and work behind the scenes coordinating the lights and sound. The participating students and staff have put together a great show this year and we look forward to sharing the photos of this event with you!

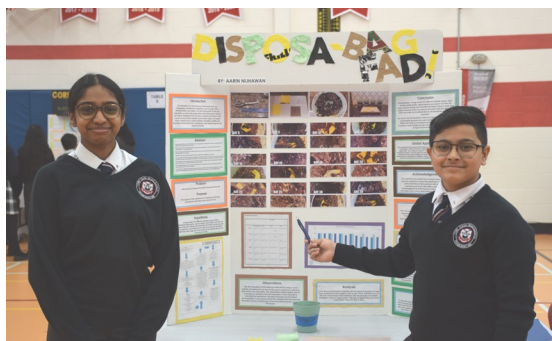


Ted Talks

Students in grades 5 and 7 have been very busy preparing their speeches for the annual TCPS TED Talks. Speech writing and public speaking skills are an important part of Language Arts classes that enable students to connect to concepts across the curriculum, and exercise their skills in inquiry, research and communication. With an emphasis on a variety of global issues, TED Talks are a highlight of our International Baccalaureate learning. Our TCPS TED Talks event will take place on Friday, February 16 during which, the finalists from grade 5 and grade 7 will present their speeches to the student and parent audience. More information will be posted and parents are invited to attend and support our talented students!



STEM Fair



Students in grades 6 and 8 are currently working hard on their Science projects in preparation for the STEM FAIR which will take place on March 22. The STEM Fair is an opportunity to engage in deep, meaningful process of science inquiry, and a great way to get students to learn how the knowledge they acquire can be applied to real-world applications. Town Centre is keen on providing our students with such great opportunities. Qualifying grade 8 STEM Fair winners will go on to participate with other schools in the York University regional Science and Technology Fair. For any interested parents who would like to visit our STEM Fair, it will be held on Friday March 22 from 9:00 am to 11:30 am in our Main Gym. Best of luck to all our grades 6 to 8 students!

Reader's Choice

Each winter the Markham Economist and Sun holds their annual Readers' Choice Awards which recognizes the community importance of local businesses. This year, Town Centre Private Schools has been nominated as the Best in Markham in the following 5 categories:

- **Best Private School**
- Best Montessori School**
- Best Daycare / Child Care**
- Best Nursery School**
- Best Summer Camp**



You don't have to live in Markham to participate. **Only one entry is accepted per IP address so please vote from home.** You will need to register first but it only takes a few minutes. Voting closes **February 12, 2024**. Please take the opportunity to vote for Town Centre Private Schools by clicking on the Vote TCPS link.

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Family Day and Reminder About March Break

Monday, February 19 is Family Day, a statutory holiday. All Campuses of Town Centre Private Schools will be closed. Classes will resume on Tuesday, February 20. Happy Family Day to all our TCPS families!

The Main Campus will be closed for a PD Day on Friday, March 8. Also, the school will be closed for Pre-school, Elementary and High School Divisions for March Break which will be from March 11 through to March 15. School will resume on Monday, March 18. If your child will be absent from school due to an extended vacation, please inform the office.



Income Tax Receipts for 2023

At the end of February, all parents will automatically receive a receipt for tuition fees paid for 2023. Parents do not have to apply for the receipts. Please note that receipts will not be available prior to the end of February.

Grad Photo Day

On Monday, February 5, we will have our Grade 8 Graduation Photo Day. The grade 8 students will have their graduation photograph taken. Soon after the photo day, parents will be provided with an option to purchase a package. Please let us know if your child will be absent for graduation photos.



After School Courses Term 2

Term 2 of After School Courses begins the week of February 5 and runs until the week of May 24. Students will enjoy a variety of interesting programs to enhance their school experience. There are still some very limited spaces available in a few programs. The Afterschool Courses package was posted on the school app. Parents who are interested can inquire in the Main Office about availability or get more information.

