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January 2020

Upcoming Events:

- **January 7**
Re-Registration Packages distributed
- **January 15**
Grade 1 visit Grade 2
- **January 18**
Open House
- **January 20 to 24**
Re-Registration Week
- **January 31**
Winter Festival, Grades 1 to 5

WELCOME BACK AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope all our families had a restful and enjoyable holiday. We're looking forward to a wonderful remainder of the school year with you!

RE-REGISTRATION WEEK

Please note that Re-Registration Week for the Main Campus will be from Monday, January 20 to Friday, January 24. The 2020-2021 re-registration packages have recently been sent home with your child. Included in the package is a letter for parents and an enrolment form. Please refer to the letter for information regarding discounts and deadlines. We encourage all parents to take advantage of great savings and register as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding the registration process or the next school year, please contact the Vice-Principals who will be happy to answer your questions. Please visit the Main Office to drop off your enrolment forms.



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IB Learner Profile Focus for January: Principled

Principled students act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness and justice, and with respect for the dignity and rights of everyone. They take responsibility for their actions and their consequences.



OPEN HOUSE

We will have our next Open House on Saturday, January 18 from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. If you know anyone who might be interested in joining TCPS, please let them know about our upcoming Open House. The Open House is a great opportunity for parents of our current grade 8 students to visit our High School Division. We invite all interested families to visit us at the Pre-School, Elementary and High School Divisions.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our December Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success! We sold 436 books and raised \$2086.41 for the LRC! This fund will help build library resources and Makerspace tools.

The LRC also hosted a Book Drive where students donated new or gently used books. The LRC collected 74 non-fiction books! Congratulations to grade 6 student Isha, who was our lucky winner for the \$50 gift card.

Thank you to all the families for all your support and thank you to Ms. Bui and the LRC volunteers for organizing the Book Fair!



GRADE 1 STUDENTS VISIT GRADE 2

On the morning of Wednesday, January 15, we will be inviting the grade 1 students to the Main Campus for a tour of the school and a visit with the grade 2 classes. The grade 1 students will observe the daily routine of the grade 2 classes and will also have an opportunity to familiarize themselves with the Main Campus so that they will be able to make a smooth transition into grade 2 next year.

WINTER FESTIVAL

On Friday, January 31, grades 1 to 5 students will have an exciting Winter Festival day. The students will have fun activities and games, as well as some treats, designed to beat the winter blues. It will be a civvies day for grades 1 to 5 students on this Winter Festival day and students should wear their running shoes.

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Thank you to the families who contributed to our Toy Drive for Markham Stouffville Hospital. In December several students from the Student Activity Council delivered many bags of wonderful toys to the children's wing of the hospital. As well, we were able to present a donation cheque for \$1119.55! The staff at the hospital was very appreciative of our efforts to help lift the spirits of the children at the hospital over the holidays. Thank you once again for your generous support!



FOOD DRIVE

TCPS donated over 25 large boxes filled with food items thanks to the amazing contributions from our students and families! What a great demonstration of caring from our students, parents, and staff! Several of the classes in particular have helped us make this year's drive a huge success. Thank you to the following classes:

- Ms. Pinto and Ms. Saba, 3-127: almost 300 items
- Ms. Therrien and Ms. Massey, 3-126: almost 200 items
- Ms. Merricks and Ms. Auciello, 2-120: over 100 items
- Ms. Prasad and Ms. Mabanta, 2-121: almost 100 items
- Ms. Zang and Ms. Pruncut, 6-150: great contributions for both food and toy drive!



3-127 students, parents and teachers generously donated almost 300 items to the food drive!

Tips From TC!



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Please! Drive slowly in the school parking lot. Be considerate of other drivers and watch out for pedestrians. Thank you for your cooperation.

Indoor school shoes are not suitable for outdoor recess during the winter months. Please ensure that your child has outdoor winter boots for recess.

All our students must wear the proper uniform and shoes. Please wash the uniform items often to ensure that they are clean. Replace uniform items in poor condition.

Term 2 of the After School Courses started on Monday, January 6, and will continue until Friday, March 6.

Photo Day will be on Wednesday, February 5 for Photo re-takes, Grad photos, and Teams & Clubs photos.

SICK STUDENTS

During poor weather conditions like rain, or extreme cold temperatures, students will have indoor recess. Otherwise all students will go outside for recess to get fresh air and some exercise. Parents are reminded to keep sick children at home and recovering students should not return to school until they feel well enough to participate fully in all aspects of the curriculum including outdoor recess and Physical Education class. Exceptions will be made with a doctor's note. Please ensure that your child is properly dressed for the winter weather.

SEVERE WEATHER

In case of severe weather conditions, there may be a school closure. Parents can find school closure information through the following methods:

- Updated information may be available on the school Web site, Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram,
- "School Closed" signs will be posted at the entrances of the school,
- Phone the school at (905) 470-1200 and listen to a recorded message regarding the school closure. Please keep in mind that the school will be experiencing a high volume of calls at the time.



If the school is open during severe weather conditions, we ask parents to use their own judgment to decide whether or not to bring students to school, and whether to pick up students early, but all students are welcome to attend.