

Churchill Heights P.S. Newsletter December 2018



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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians:
It is hard to believe that our Winter break is weeks away. We have had a very busy few months, with many wonderful activities for the students. During this busy time, we often need time to reflect on what is most important. With this coming break, I hope everyone is able to spend quality time with family and friends, and come back in the New Year refreshed and ready to learn.

We have had many great activities available for the students. From clubs to sports, students are busy creating memories. Our students are getting ready for our Music/Arts Night on Wednesday, December 12th at Woburn Collegiate. We look forward to seeing our students perform for everyone.

As well, we are very pleased to see the active role parents play in the school from volunteering in the class, to helping out with cross country and planning pizza and movie days for our students. Thank you to all the parents who give their time to make these activities and events so successful.

December is a time for many celebrations that brings families and friends together. As a staff, we wish each and every family a very Merry Christmas, a Happy Holiday and a safe and enjoyable New Year.

Mrs. Vieira



Have you signed up for
School Cash Online?
<https://tdsb.schoolcashionline.com>

Character Trait Winners

For November: **Empathy** - "Seeing with the eyes of another, listening with the ears of another and feeling with the heart of another."

Alfred Adler

- Room 1A: Aarna, Giancarlo
- Room 1: Saanujaa, Sophia, Sreedevi
- Room 3: Abigail, Nora
- Room 4: Kishnavi, Oshaana
- Room 5: Ishrat, Nabiya
- Room 6: Jashina, Sharanya
- Room 7: Hemal, Kavieshana
- Room 8: Alex, Jay
- Room 9: Karcihan, Rui
- Room 21: Adam, Vinusha
- Room 22: Dev, Emaan
- Room 23: Anila, Ruth
- Room 24: Devika, Rayna
- Room 25: Elizabeth, Jehm
- Room 26: Bethel, James
- Room 28: Adam, Maya
- Room 29: Tyler, Ruthika

December - Kindness & Caring

Kindness is the quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate.



Robotics

The Robotics Teams, CH 2018 and Church-aliens have been working very hard to prepare for their upcoming First Lego League Robotics tournament on December 1st at Woburn Collegiate. They had their first practice tournament on November 23rd at David and Mary Thompson Collegiate Institute. The Theme for this year's Robotics is "Into Orbit" where students will program EV3 Lego Robots to complete space related "missions". As well, the teams have completed an innovative research project to solve problems that Astronauts in space may face, such as dietary nutrient loss, due to excessive energy use for refrigeration, and cost effective waste management, such as the conversion of waste into fuel.



The teachers and teams in Robotics have invested a STEMeriffic amount of energy and have learned valuable skills such as innovative problem solving, coding & design skills, team work, time management, core values and long term planning. Team members have developed



leadership skills, mentored each other, laughed together, and appreciated each other for their strengths and their valuable contributions to team accomplishments. Most importantly, Team members have learned the value of developing and contributing their skills to create something amazing that can only result from a group of hardworking students! We thank them for their amazing effort and commitment and wish them the best on December 1st!

T. Mui & A. Ali

Winter Arts Night

The Annual Churchill Heights Public School Winter Arts Night will be on Wednesday, December 12th at Woburn Collegiate Institute. It will feature performances from several classes as well as the Senior Band. There will also be a visual arts display in the lobby. The Parent Council will be on hand selling refreshments (cash only please). We hope to see you there to celebrate all of the great things we are doing in the Arts!

Combo (pizza, drink, cookie) - \$5.00
Pizza slice only - \$3.00
Cupcakes - \$2.50



Weather Guidelines

Children need an opportunity to get exercise and free play time outdoors, however, weather conditions sometimes warrant that indoor recesses, lunch periods and pre-entry periods be considered necessary for student and staff safety.

Conditions warranting indoor recesses

- Rain, thunderstorms, lightning, hail, extreme winds and extreme cold.
- Cold weather: When temperature and/or windchill factor indicates -28C or lower children will remain indoors due to risk of frostnip and frostbite.
- When temperature and/or windchill factor indicates -20 to -28C, recesses may be shortened to 10 minutes and lunch recess be 20 minutes depending on local conditions. Children should be monitored closely for signs of frostnip, frostbite or difficulty breathing.

Other conditions:

Weather conditions change during the day. When necessary and if the weather is questionable, the school principal will consult the Environment Canada's www.weatheroffice.ec.gc.ca or Toronto Public Health Web sites for information.

Any staff member may voice weather concerns to the principal for consideration prior to the next scheduled recess. During extreme weather conditions, parents and students may wait inside the school up to 15 minutes prior to the entry or dismissal bells.

**Be Prepared!
Dress
for the
Weather!**



It's Flu Season

Flu season is here again. In Canada, flu season tends to run between October and April. The Ontario government is encouraging Ontarians to avoid getting sick this flu season by getting their annual flu shot.

Toronto Public Health is recommending that whenever students and staff experience flu-like symptoms, they are sent home and do not return to school until they are no longer infectious to others. **Therefore, ill students and staff should be symptom-free (especially from vomiting and diarrhea) for at least 48 hours before returning to school.**

The primary concern is for the health and safety of all students and staff. Please note that no special measures are required when there is a case of influenza in a school or daycare. However, everyone should do their part to stop the spread of the flu. As parents, you can also assist by:



- reminding children to wash their hands often especially after using the washroom and before and after eating;



- reminding children to cover their sneeze and cough;



- watching for symptoms of vomiting, diarrhea, dizziness, and/or high fever;



- informing the school if your child is ill;



- keeping your child at home when he/she is ill.

For more information, please visit the Toronto Public Health website www.toronto.ca/health, contact your family doctor, or Telehealth Ontario. 1-866-797-0000.

WE Are Silent Campaign

For this month of November, our school participated in the We Are Silent Campaign, a campaign to raise money/awareness for children who do not have their rights and are subject to poverty and exploitation. This campaign was managed by the **WE Club**, an organization that aims to create a positive social change in communities around the world.

On November 20th which marked the **United Nations Universal Children's Day**, our school joined the rest of the schools in Ontario to speak up with silence and give voice to those children whose rights are not upheld. On that very day, every class had the opportunity to come down and write their reasons for being silent. Furthermore, we raised over \$500 through the selling of popcorn and hot chocolate. The money that we raised will go a long way to provide educational programming for children in developing communities through **WE Villages** because we believe that education is how we give voice to those who are silenced.

We have also sent pledge forms home in the hopes of raising more fund for this cause. The campaign has been successful, and we hope to continue this in years to come.

Thank You Churchill Heights!!!

Alexander & Vincent



Lost & Found

There is a large quantity of found items in the Lost & Found box - coats, hoodies, mittens, pants, lunch boxes, water bottles and more. Please encourage your child to come down and search for their missing belongings.



**Have a Safe and Happy
Holiday
from the Staff of
Churchill Heights P.S**



TDSB TAMIL HERITAGE MONTH COMMITTEE
welcomes you



Tamil Heritage Month Launch Event

Remembrance. Resilience. Recognition.

Glen Ravine Junior Public School
11 Gadsby Drive, Scarborough, Ontario, M1K 4V4
Wednesday, December 5, 2018
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm



@TDSB_Tamil | #TDSB_THM2019

Cedarbrae Library Events and Activities

December 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Family Time 11-11:30 am
2 Mini Makers 2:30-3:30 pm	3 Afterschool Club 4-5 pm	4	5 Pyjama Time 7-7:30 pm	6	7 PA DAY Escape Room All day	8 Family Time 11-11:30 am
9 Mini Makers 2:30-3:30 pm	10 Afterschool Club 4-5 pm	11	12 Pyjama Time 7-7:30 pm	13 	14 Button Making 4-5 pm	15 Family Time 11-11:30 am
16 Mini Makers 2:30-3:30 pm	17 Afterschool Club 4-5 pm	18 	19 Pyjama Time 7-7:30 pm	20	21 Winter Solstice Gaming 4-5 pm	22 Family Time 11-11:30 am
23 CLOSED	24 Hours: 9am-1pm	25 CLOSED for Christmas	26 CLOSED for Box- ing Day	27 BINGO 2-3 pm Winter Craft 4-5 pm	28 Movie 2-4 pm Pokemon Club 6:30-8 pm	29 Family Time 11-11:30 am
30 CLOSED	31 Hours: 9am-1pm New Year's at Noon 11am-12pm	Cedarbrae Branch 545 Markham Rd Toronto, ON M1H 2A1 416-396-8850				

DECEMBER

Pyjama Time & Family Time

Join us for stories, songs, rhymes, and the occasional craft. Bring your singing voices and laugh out loud as we share our storytime favourites. Fun for the whole family! **All ages, drop-in.**

Pokémon Club

Join us as we explore and hunt for Pokémon in the library! Make sure to bring your own Pokémon cards to trade with the library or just come to relax, talk Pokémon, or play various Pokémon games! **All ages, drop-in.**

New Year's at Noon

Can't wait til midnight? Make some crafty party favours and join us as for a special countdown to the new year at the library. **All ages, drop-in.**



Gaming

Join us for games in the library. Level up on your favourite console, or verse a librarian in a boardgame!

Ages 4-12, drop-in.

Button Making

Do It Yourself! Join us and make your own slime, squishy, and more!

Ages 6-12, drop-in.

BINGO

Try your luck, and win some prizes!

Ages 4-12, drop-in.

Holiday Movie

Bring a snack and a friend, and enjoy a holiday-themed movie in the library. Title TBD.

All ages, drop-in.

Afterschool Club: DIY
Why buy it, when you can **MAKE** it!?! Join us and make cool creations yourself!

Dec 3 - Sewing

Dec 10 - Slime

Dec 17 - Squishy

Ages 6-12, registration required.

Escape Room

Do you have what it takes to escape? Solve a series of puzzles and riddles, and prove you are a mastermind!

Ages 6-12, registration required.

Winter Craft

Show your winter spirit by making some cool creations.

Ages 6-12, drop-in.



Mini Makers

Junior builders ages 4-8 and their families are invited to join us every Sunday for fun, hands-on activities that explore STEM concepts and spark wonder, creativity and discovery. Try something different each week!

Ages 4-8, drop-in.

Groups of 10 or more must call to register.

"Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you."
Princess Diana

December 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Grade 6 Boys Volleyball Playoffs	4	5	6 School Council Meeting 6:30 pm	7	8
9	10	11	12 Winter Arts Night Woburn C.I. 6:00 pm	13	14 Pizza Lunch	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Recognition Assemblies	22
23	24 Winter Holiday Begins (classes resume Jan. 7)	25 	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 24 - Jan. 4 Christmas Break (no school)
- Jan. 7 Return to School
- Jan. 10 School Council Meeting
- Jan. 18 P.A. Day (no school)
- Jan. 25 Pizza Lunch
- Jan. 31 Recognition Assemblies
- Feb. 7 School Council Meeting
- Feb. 13 Gregg LeRock French Concert (gr. 4)
- Feb. 14 Parent/Teacher Interviews (p.m.)
- Feb. 15 P.A. Day (no school)
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- Feb. 18 Family Day (no school)
- Feb. 22 Pizza Lunch
- Mar. 7 School Council Meeting
- Mar. 10 Daylight Savings
- Mar. 11 - 15 March Break (no school)
- Mar. 28 Scientists in School Night
- Mar. 29 Recognition Assemblies
Pizza Lunch
- Apr. 4 School Council Meeting
- Apr. 19 Good Friday (no school)
- Apr. 22 Easter Monday (no school)
- Apr. 26 Recognition Assemblies
Pizza Lunch
- May 2 School Council Meeting
- May 10 Kindies at Downsview Park
- May 12 Mothers' Day
- May 15 Spring Arts Night at Woburn C.I.
- May 20 Victoria Day (no school)
- May 31 Recognition Assemblies
Pizza Lunch
- June 6 School Council Meeting
- June 7 P.A. Day (no school)
- June 16 Fathers' Day
- June 21 Pizza Lunch
- June 26 Graduation
- June 27 Last Day of School

Co- & Extra-Curricular

- Music Practise - Mon., Wed., Fri. 11:25 a.m.
- Senior Band - Tue. 11:25 a.m., Thurs. 3:15 p.m.
- Writing Club - Mon. - Fri. 11:25 a.m.
- Boys Volleyball - Mon. - Thurs. 3:15 p.m.
- Robotics - Wed. 3:15 p.m., Thurs. 11:30 a.m.,
Fri. 11:30 a.m. & 3:15 p.m.

Adult Library Volunteers Needed



We need some adult help in the school library. No experience necessary. No big time commitment. Mrs. Wentz would love to meet adult volunteers who could help with simple projects in the library. If you are able to help, please fill out the form below and return it to the school.

Yes, I would like to volunteer in the Churchill Heights P.S. Library



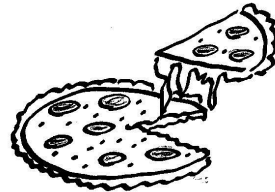
Days / Times Available:

Name	Monday	A.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>
My Child's Name & Teacher	Tuesday	A.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>
Phone #	Wednesday	A.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>
Email	Thursday	A.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>
	Friday	A.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>

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Pizza Lunch Volunteers Needed

If you are available to volunteer in your child's classroom for pizza lunch once a month please complete this form and return it to the school office.



Name

My Child's Name & Teacher

Phone #

Email