



## JG WORKMAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

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**February 19th to February 23rd, 2024 Vol. 23**

<b>Monday Feb 19 Day 0</b>	<b>Tuesday Feb 20 Day 4</b>	<b>Wednesday Feb 21 Day 5</b>	<b>Thursday Feb 22 Day 1</b>	<b>Friday Feb 23 Day 2</b>
 <p>NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS &amp; STAFF</p>		 <p>Grade 5 Ball Hockey @ Chine Dr</p>	 <p>Pizza Lunch</p>	

### Upcoming Dates:

March 1 - 12:45 PM - Assembly

March 21 - Pizza Day

## **Storytime: The Hockey Skates with Karl Subban!**

Join the Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement for an evening of storytime fun! Karl Subban will read his new book *The Hockey Skates* and share his experiences as an educator, coach, and hockey dad. Enjoy music, stories and more!

**Date:** **Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

**Time:** 6 – 8 p.m.

**Location:** Winston Churchill CI – 2239 Lawrence Ave. E (library)

**Audience:** TDSB Students, Families and Staff

**Register** [here](#) or at [bit.ly/3HOixuH](https://bit.ly/3HOixuH)

### **ALERT**

The rise of artificial intelligence (AI) technologies has led to a rapid increase in scamming activities using AI, which almost perfectly reproduces a person's voice. An "impersonation scam" occurs when criminals make use of AI created voices to read pre-prepared scripts in order to trick people into giving the scammers money. These scenarios can include:

- A young individual was arrested and needs cash to make bail.
- A family member has been kidnapped and they require a ransom for release.
- A friend, claiming to be stranded, urgently needs money for travel expenses.

Scammers will often use pressure tactics like the emergency situations listed above to make you feel like you have no choice but to give them money. These calls are, by design, very stressful, and AI makes it practically impossible to tell reality from fiction. Therefore, it is very important to follow the tips below to better react to and prevent fraud:

- Contact the friend or family member, or someone who can confirm their condition, to ascertain whether or not the original call was genuine.
- Be cautious about what you post online, as scammers will gather voice clips from social media and through other means to create the clone.
- Consider setting a code word for phone calls with close ones as authentication.

Please review the following resources which will deepen your understanding and better protect yourself and the people around you from voice cloning scams.

- [Police believe AI voice cloning used to scam seniors](#) (Video)

- [Ontario man out \\$8K in scam that uses AI to mimic voices of friends and family](#) (Article)

As times change, so too do fraudsters. It is important to keep yourself safe, so please remember these cyber tips and stay vigilant about new and dangerous scams.

**Keep Well**