

Principal's Parent Council Report OCTOBER 1, 2019

Yorkdale Central Enrollment Numbers

	Pre K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	TOTAL
Oct		44	48	49	39	57	54	55	54	50	450

YCS 2019-2020 Learning Improvement Plan

The following represents a brief update on our ongoing efforts around our LIP priorities.

Priority Area	Associating Activities & Notes
Literacy	<p>Finishing touches are being placed on our Learning Improvement Plan.</p> <p>Staff members have begun RtI & LLI Interventions. SEPT 23- OCT 16 Grade 6 F&P. CLEVR Entry by Oct 16 OCT 1- OCT 25 GRADE 4/5 F&P. CLEVR ENTRY BY OCT 25 OCT 7- NOV 4 GRADE 2/3 F&P. CLEVR ENTRY BY NOV 4 NOV 25- DEC 13 GRADE 1 F&P. CLEVR ENTRY BY DEC 13</p> <p>Fountas & Pinnell assessments of reading levels is occurring as above. Once levels are collected, YCS will revisit interventions in place for at-risk learners. Initial results suggest that a number of our new arrivals are low.</p> <p>One Book One Community is set to go again for January 2020. "Slacker" Mr. Beatty completed a Painted Hand grant with hopes in helping out.</p> <p>Lots of book series have been added to our library in the last month. We had a former students prepared to build a "Give a Book. Take a Book" box in 2018-19. Unless this occurs through another avenue, it may not occur.</p>
School Environment	<p>Finishing touches are being placed on our Learning Improvement Plan.</p> <p>Four Fire Drills have occurred already. Bus Evacuation Drills take place on October 4.</p> <p>HW Room Referred (13) Vol (26); Cell Phones(0); Two-Wk (0) Bus Susp (1); Ins(0) OutS (0)</p> <p>Mugs & Muffins was held on September 6 to allow an informal event for school community parents & guardians to interact with staff members. All baking was provided by the staff members. Any extra items were donated to the breakfast program. In addition, the breakfast program received a cash donation from the staff members in return for the privilege to dress down on Fridays. With an additional grant, our Breakfast Program should be good for the year.</p> <p>Education Week will occur on the week of October 20-26, 2019. The theme this year includes <i>Working & Learning Together</i>. In addition to the traditional, Book Fair & Bus Driver Appreciation Day, our staff discussed morning pancakes vs. evening hot dogs. However, this might be a great moment for SCC to do a playground opening event. DECISION/ACTION: What would we like to see and plan?</p> <p>Last year, SCC discussed the presences of an AED device in the school. In the end, SCC opted its funding to go to playground fundraising. YCS decided to pick up the cost, and the AED is now near the gym doors.</p> <p>DECISION: Source Embroidery has approached the school about organizing another clothing order. We have done this the last couple of years. We do have new students asking already. Shall we move ahead again?</p>

	<p>See Saw is back for Grades K-5 & 6/7K this year as a means of communicating with parents. It has a solid feature in that students can also share commentary, pictures and video of their learning.</p> <p>TEEN BOOST is a program for pre-teens and teens. It is facilitated by the Sunrise Health Region. There is a new instructor, and the program will now occur weekly for 1 hour as opposed two bi-weekly for two. This was a change supported by YCS. Mr. Beatty uses BOOST along with SOS-Q (which is also now coming at a cost to schools) to support student with elevated anxiety levels. BOOST will be small group and require counsellor referrals. The program is aimed at assisting students affected by low self-esteem, anxiety & stress, mental wellness, mindfulness, relationship difficulties, and otherwise coping with these feelings.</p> <p>YCS sent students to the Provincial Student Leadership Conference in Watrous in September. The SRC group also hosted a retreat to organize itself and planned 2019-20 activities on September 27th.</p> <p>School pictures were taken the last week of September. Lifetouch was our photographer. Shaune noted our feedback to have two photographers on one day was honoured.</p> <p>Forums for seeing Facebook “Yorkdale Central School GSSD” and Twitter @PrideInThePaw. You’ll be right up to date on the happenings of the school. PrideInThePaw is also on Instagram where Mr. Bomboir will be sharing items from his Media Club.</p>
Numeracy	<p>Finishing touches are being placed on our Learning Improvement Plan.</p> <p>YCS staff held two days in math inservicing in August. While our math results remain near the top of GSSD, there is something to explore teaching math differently, especially in working with numbers. With Springside as partner, YCS will have another math session in October as well as in class lesson observations. The staff also has three webinars scheduled for the year to continue this work.</p> <p>Mathology and Number Talks remain a focus in addressing numeracy with students.</p> <p>Our students are currently undergoing Math Screeners. This assessment measures how “number sense” skills have been established in previous years. This will be the second year YCS has used. These results will assist in guided our learning interventions and targets. Mr. Beatty was hoping to also work with our GSSD Math Coach, but our learning results are too string for this opportunity.</p>

YCS School Budget

Mr. Beatty will be presented a budget very soon. Likely before our next council. We will be seeing less. Approval via email? Wait for November?

SCC Financial Report was submitted to GSSD by Polly Ann. YCS was also a “lucky school” in that we will be audited.

Experiences Canada is Back!

Last year, our partnering school backed out, but YCS is back in the game with an early partnership with Port Carling ON. Mr. Neibrandt is heading up the game, as Mr. Edgar is on paternity leave. Mr. Edgar will remain involved and may act as chaperon still. If he does not, Mr. Beatty will be assisting Mr. Neibrandt at Mr. Edgar’s request. Student participation meeting and forms were recently shared. Grade 7/8 students are prioritized, and there was a large interest group. Living the Code and involvement in fundraising are strong indicators of participation. It is never easy to narrow a list, but we must as there are limited spots.

Active School to Start

Intramurals began for early years (soccer) and middle years (football). Cross country has been occurring, and though our overall runner numbers were down, we have had some truly standout results. Volleyball has also started up. We have one boys and three girls’ teams.

YCS will be hosting a volleyball tournament on Oct. 19. SRC is taking the canteen. The YESSA City Championships are scheduled for the week of November 4-6. YCS will be the facilitating school as well.

YCS High Risk Activities

Mr. Beatty has been completing these annually for some time. All activities were approved. Our Experiences Canada group may require additional approvals when the time comes.

School Community Events & Fundraising

Discussion: Mr. Beatty most definitely wishes to continue discussions of CrossFit area on top of our playground. It looks like we may get through this playground “in the black.” Another active area in the school would make a great addition.

Band Boosters is ceasing some of its fundraising. This may be something to add to our list.

YCS Code of Conduct

This document did not see any revisions and it is posted on our school webpage.

Bulletin Items

Similar to YCS staff meetings, I am going to include a “bulletin” area that can be read over by parents through the meeting. When the other items of Principal’s Report are completed, I will pause for questions related to Bulletin Items. These items may not carry as much significance other items, but they should be rightfully communicated at the same time.

School Community Councils Web Page Update

The Ministry of Education’s web page for School Community Councils has been updated to include a new Tool Kit. The Tool Kit includes printable sheets that provide facts and information about School Community Councils, what they are, and how they work. This Tool Kit is useful for both new and returning School Community Council members, as well for school division personnel in their work with their division’s councils. The pages can be accessed at: <http://www.education.gov.sk.ca/scc>. The Ministry of Education Contact is Daniel Bean. daniel.bean@gov.sk.ca

School Performances

YCS has already booked several themes of performances this year, including:

- Peacemakers vs Peace Takers - Stop- Think- Focus- September 2019- COMPLETED
- Sigmund Brouwer- Writing Ninja- September 2019- COMPLETED
- The Much Munsch Wide Open Theater Puppet Show is booked. Coming soon!
- Persephone Theater is back on tour and booked. Coming Soon
- We are also open to nameless other opportunities that become available during the school year.

Dates to Remember: (Not all of these will be recognized by parents. Some are for adm/teachers only)

YES/GSSD DATES TO NOTE- 2019-20

October 2, 2019	Child Study Team at 8 am
October 3, 2019	Cross Country Districts Cherrydale Lit Coach Collaboration Grade 3 1-2:30 Coverage Needed
October 4, 2019	Bus Evacuation Drills
October 5 2019	World Teachers' Day
October 9, 2019	Staff Meeting "Touch Base" With Oct 15 coming it will be focus. Lit Coach Collaboration Grade 2 1-2:30 Coverage Needed
October 15, 2019	NMTI Math Work PD for Teachers at YCs Student Centre
October 16, 2019	NMTI Classroom Demos. All Day at YCS.
October 17, 2019	NMTI Classroom Demos. AM at Springside. Penny to arrange.
October 17-18, 2019	John Hattie Visible Learning in Saskatoon (SB/TB/SK/CS)
October 18 & 21, 2019	Grade 7 Students to WDM Ed Field Trip (Boyda)
October 19, 2019	Royals Volleyball Tournament at MC/St Mikes Venue
October 20-26, 2019	Education Week in Saskatchewan * Math & Sask Library Week Oct 21 Bus Driver Appreciation day Library Week
October 21, 2019	Federal Election at Student Centre
October 22 2019	Lifetouch Re-take Day- Only One Day! Flu Clinic at YCS Student Centre
October 23 2019	Child Study Team at 8 am
October 28/29, 2019	NVCI Training (TS)
November 1, 2019	Gr 6 Girls in Sports Nov 1 9:30-3:00 at Gallagher. Sponsored by Canadian Tire JumpStart. Shaune Supervisor
November 2, 2019	Jumpstart Training for Girls Day in YCS Gymnasium
November 5, 2019	Principals' Meeting
November 6, 2019	Child Study Team at 8 am
November 8, 2019	Remembrance Day Service 11 am
November 12, 2019	In-School PD Day
Autism Session Brandon	MB Meeting Needs of Students w Autism
November 15, 2019	Report Cards to Office
November 20, 2019	Child Study Team at 8 am VIRTUAL Meeting with DMTI 3:45-5:00
November 22, 2019	Report Cards Go Home
NOV 25- DEC 13	GRADE 1 F&P. CLEVR ENTRY BY DEC 13
November 27-28, 2019	SLC Conferences
November 28-29, 2019	VTRA Training Session
December 4 2019	Child Study Team at 8 am
December 9, 2019	Band Winter Concert
December 11, 2019	Staff Meeting
December 17-19, 2019	AP THEATRE: CHRISTMAS CONCERT BOOKED
December 20, 2019	YCS- Gallagher Christmas Event
January 9, 2020	Principals' Meeting
January 10, 2020	Asessippi Ski Trip #1
January 15, 2020	VIRTUAL Meeting with DMTI 3:45-5:00 Child Study Team at 8 am
JAN 20- FEB 7	GRADE 2-6 F&P MIDYEAR RE-ASSESS. CLEVR BY FEB 7
January 27, 2020	World Literacy Day
January 29 2020	Child Study Team at 8 am
January 30, 2020	PAA Turnover
January 31, 2020	VIRTUAL Meeting with DMTI 9-12 pm. Afternoon TBA
February 3, 2020	In School Prep Day
February 9-15, 2020	Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
February 10-14 2020	Jump Rope for Heart will occur this week
February 23- March 3	Persephone Theatre Tour "Invisible Girl"