



Thunder Tracks Newsletter

Monday, March 9 Day 9	Tuesday, March 10 Day 10	Wednesday, March 11 Day 1	Thursday, March 12 Day 2	Friday, March 13 Day 3
<p>Little Ceasars pizza kit delivery day!</p>	<p>Pizza Lunch Click here to order!</p> <p>Start2Finish 3:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>Popcorn for Sale \$2/bag</p> <p>Coffee Connection 9-10am</p> <p>BGC 3:30-5:30pm</p>	<p>Hot Dog Lunch</p>	<p>Wear Green for St. Patrick's Day</p> <p>No School Next week! (March 16-20)</p>

Important Info

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Procedures:

Drop-Off

- The drop-off zone for "kiss and ride" is located in the parking lot. Please do not park in this area.
- Cars can drop off their children, but you cannot park your car or get out of your car while doing so. The expectation is when you are circling around, you may let your child out near the entrance to the yard, but you must stay in the car.
- If your child needs assistance into the yard, please park on a side street and walk them to the yard. Cars cannot be parked at any time, and we must continue the flow of traffic safely.
- If you are walking your child(ren) into the schoolyard please note there is no supervision on the yard (or in the school) before 8:45am. If your child arrives before 8:45 they must be supervised by a parent/guardian. Climbers are closed for the season.

Pick-Up

- Kiss and ride IS NOT available after school as the parking lot is closed for school bus transportation.
- Please meet your child(ren) in the schoolyard at 3:30pm.

Parking

The school parking lot is for staff only. If you are parking to bring your child(ren) into the schoolyard, you will need to park on Glasgow St (NOT in the bus zone in front of the school yard) or on Piccadilly St. or other available side streets. Parking enforcement comes by regularly, please follow parking signage.

Bus Information and Procedures:

- If your child rides the bus, please review safety rules:
 - Walk to your seat & Remain seated when the bus is moving
 - No eating on the bus
 - Be respectful to all riders on the bus and in the community
- Kindergarten students will be taken to the bus by an educator at the end of the day.
- For bus information please visit the My Big Yellow Bus website, mybigyellowbus
- It is essential that you be on time for the bus, and if you have a primary student, you must meet them when they get off the bus.

*If your student(s) arrives after 9am please use the main entrance of the school and check-in at the office. **The gates in the kindergarten yard are closed and locked at 9am and must remain locked for the safety of the students.**

*We understand that sometimes situations come up where parents/guardians need to sign out their children early, however, unless necessary we ask that you wait until school is dismissed at 3:30pm. Early sign-outs are very disruptive for the class and interrupts the students learning time. **Please note we will no longer be allowing sign-outs after 3:15pm.**

Thank you, Susanne Young, Principal, & Shane Riley, Vice-Principal

Save the Date!

March 13th – Spirit Day – Wear **GREEN** for St. Patty's Day

March 16th – 20th – **MARCH BREAK! NO SCHOOL!**

April 3rd – No school (Good Friday)

April 6th – No school (Easter Monday)

April 8th – Grad Photos

April 13th – School Council (5-6p) Home & School (6-7p)



LOST AND FOUND

The Lost and Found Table is building up. Please remind your student(s) to stop into the front lobby this week to find anything that may have disappeared over winter. We will be cleaning up the Lost and Found items over March Break.



Upcoming EQAO Family Sessions:

Mar 25, 2026, 12:00 PM

EQAO Literacy Session for Families: Focus on Writing

Join EQAO for a free live webinar about how EQAO assesses students' writing skills at key stages of their education. EQAO staff will discuss writing prompts and questions from the reading component of the primary- and junior-division assessments and from the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. Participants will hear how these prompts and questions help assess the skills students are learning in class. Staff will also highlight valuable insights and resources that can help parents and guardians support their child's learning.

https://eqao.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_F3XF343SQve5ZGR6fEfLoA



March
Honesty
✓ Telling the truth
✓ Doing what's right, even if it's difficult
✓ Playing by the rules
✓ Being someone that others can trust

Monthly Character Trait:
This month's character trait is Honesty. How are you going to show honesty this month?

This month, staff will be looking for a student who shows examples of adaptability here at East Carling. The second award will be going to a student who has shown dedication and growth in math this month!

GO THUNDER!

THUNDER BOLT WINNERS!

Kindergarten: Gerald P.
Primary: Kailey-Ann C.
Junior: Jaevion M.
Intermediate: Serenity C.

You've been struck by a Thunder Bolt of awesomeness!
Keep being a positive force!

Popcorn Sale!

BUTTER SALT • DILL PICKLE • WHITE CHEDDAR • SALT & VINEGAR

\$2/BAG | SUPPORT GRADE 8 GRAD TRIP | **EAST CARLING**

WEDNESDAY'S DURING FIRST BREAK
PRE-ORDER AVAILABLE ON SCHOOL CASH ONLINE FOR \$2.05 PER BAG

WELCOME TO Caregiver Coffee Connection

COME AND JOIN US TO LEARN ABOUT:

Free or affordable programs and activities

Upcoming Changes **School BOUNDARIES**

Meet other parents

Prizes

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11TH, 2026
9:00-10:00 AM
SCHOOL LIBRARY

Home & School

March & April
Pizza lunch

Order Now
CLICK LINK ABOVE

Coming Soon!

THUNDER FUNDER
TO BENEFIT THE STUDENTS OF EAST CARLING PUBLIC SCHOOL

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/march-and-april-pizza-lunch>

THE APPRENTICESHIP PATHWAY AT TVDSB

Parent Information Evening with Dr. Jon Callegher

Tuesday, March 10, 2026
7:00-8:30 PM

Location: Saunders Secondary School Auditorium
(941 Viscount Road)

Dr. Jon Callegher is an author, researcher, and an expert in the Skilled Trades industry. If your child is considering the Apprenticeship Pathway, this is an event not to be missed!

OYAP ONTARIO YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM | **Ontario**

Thames Valley District School Board

Register Online Here

- Registration is required for this event



BABYSITTING

basics

BECOME A CONFIDENT BABYSITTER!
1-DAY COURSE FOR FOR YOUTH AGED 11-15

Learn about: becoming a babysitter, handling emergencies, safe play, bedtime routines, and more!



Time: 8:30am - 4:30pm
Cost: \$75.00

London Dates: Tues March 17 (March Break) or Mon April 6 (Easter Monday)
St. Thomas Dates: Thurs March 19 (March Break) or Fri April 24 (PA Day)
Woodstock Dates: Tues March 17 (March Break) or Fri April 24 (PA Day)

VIRTUAL options also available - Sun March 15, Fri March 20 or Sun March 29 (must have working microphone and camera)

HOME ALONE

PREPARE FOR INDEPENDENCE!
1-DAY COURSE FOR YOUTH AGED 10+

Learn about: phone calls and visitors, recognizing hazards, fire safety, calling 911 and more!



Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm
Cost: \$70

London Dates: Fri March 20 (March Break) or Fri April 24 (PA Day)
St. Thomas Dates: Mon March 16 (March Break) or Sat April 25
Woodstock Dates: Wed March 18 (March Break) or Sat April 11

To register call 519-432-1352 or visit sja.ca

Seats fill quickly - register today!
Courses added monthly.



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Additional discounts for week 1 & 6 (4 day weeks)

For location & registration details visit our website.

Do you want to stay Home Alone?



London	Friday, March 20th, 2026	9am-3pm	MARCH BREAK
London	Friday, April 24th, 2026	9am-3pm	PA DAY
Strathroy	Saturday, April 25th, 2026	10am-4pm	
Woodstock	Friday, May 29th, 2026	9am-3pm	PA DAY
London	Friday, May 29th, 2026	9am-3pm	PA DAY

Space is Limited - You must Pre-Register - Choose 1 Date

THE ONLY FULL DAY, FULL FUN and EFFECTIVE HOME ALONE COURSE available!
Courses are taught by Certified Instructors. Students learn, and will be able to demonstrate:

- Communication skills to support family safety**
Honesty, limitations, your Home Safe route and Home Alone agreement
- Prevention techniques to avoid dangerous situations**
Household fires and accidents, injuries, stranger dangers and street smarts
- Safety skills by interactive training, hands on practice and coaching**
Identify strangers and risks, door, phone and kitchen safety & beginner First Aid
- Responsibility and building maturity to stay Home Alone**
Home Safe messages, Home Alone productivity, house rules and schedule
- Confidence to handle unexpected dangers or emergencies**
With strangers and situations, how to call 911, the power of NO and keeping self SAFE!

Register Online: www.varisafe.ca
Course locations, FAQ and more available online 24/7

Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation email including all course details such as: location & directions and what to bring. **Course cost: \$75.00 plus HST**
Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion and Guide Book including First Aid. Questions? Email us: info@varisafe.ca



March Break Camps

- ALL STARS - AGES 6-12
- LUCKY STARS - OLYMPIC LOOKBACK
- EXPLORERS - AGES 4 & 5
- SPRING INTO ACTION
- G.A.M.E. CAMP - AGES 9-13
- EPIC QUESTS & WORLDS
- KAMP I DIRECT - AGES 6-12
- SHAMROCK SHENANIGANS
- STEPPING STONES - AGES 11-14
- LEPRECHAUN QUEST
- DISCOVER CONFIDENCE, BUILD FRIENDSHIPS & THRIVE AS A TEAM
- SUPER SKILLS - AGES 6-10
- CHARM CHASERS
- BUILD CONFIDENCE, CREATE BONDS & MASTER NEW SKILLS
- ILDERTON CAMP - AGES 4-12 @ 13168 ILBERTON RD, ILBERTON

- ADVENTURE READY - AGES 6-12
- TIME TRAVELERS FULL
- CAMP-A-SAURUS - AGES 4 & 5
- WEATHER WATCHERS FULL
- CREATIVE ARTS - AGES 6-9
- EMERALD ART STUDIO FULL



MARCH 16 TO MARCH 20, 2026

COST: FULL WEEK ONLY
\$250 MEMBERS & \$280 NON-MEMBERS
SUBSIDY AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO QUALIFY

TO REGISTER AND SEE DAILY SCHEDULES:
BGCLONDON.CA/PA-HOLIDAY-CAMPS

MORE INFORMATION: 519-434-9114 • INFO@BGCLONDON.CA

184 HORTON STREET, LONDON ON N6B 1K8



Babysitters Training

"A new way to learn!" A SAFE, FUN and EFFECTIVE course for youth aged 10-14

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London	Friday, April 24th, 2026	9am-3pm	PA DAY
Strathroy	Saturday, May 30th, 2026	10am-4pm	
Woodstock	Friday, June 26th, 2026	9am-3pm	PA DAY
London	Friday, July 10th, 2026	9am-3pm	SUMMER BREAK

Space is Limited - You must Pre-Register - Choose 1 Date

- Courses are taught by Certified Instructors and teaches:
 - Getting your first job safely** Interview tips, resume and prep skills to impress!
 - Keep others SAFE** while in your care and control, understanding babysitter responsibilities and specific care and requirements for children of all ages.
 - Advanced First Aid** including airway management, choking/obstruction and rescue breathing in addition to common injuries and illnesses.
 - Emergency Readiness** and response to critical situations such as: Fire Safety, Kitchen Safety, poisons, staying calm and proper use of 911/EMS
 - Having Fun!** Creative games, ideas and helpful tips to make you a great sitter!
 - Instructor Led Training** on feeding, bathing and changing infants etc.
- Enroll in the most TRUSTED, SAFE and EFFECTIVE Babysitters Course today!

Register Online: www.varisafe.ca
Course locations, FAQ and more available online 24/7

Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation email including all course details such as: **course location & directions** and what to bring to the course. **Course cost: \$75.00 plus HST.**
Participants will receive a **Wallet Certification Card** and **Babysitters Training Manual**, with **First Aid**. Questions? info@varisafe.ca