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## **COVID-19 UPDATES & INFORMATION**

This week's Town Page features important information on the evolving COVID-19 situation. For more information, visit www.eastqwillimburv.ca/COVID19

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR**

#### Community Message from **Mayor Virginia Hackson on COVID-19**

COVID-19 continues to be an evolving situation around the world, including right here in East Gwillimbury. Our Town remains under a State of Emergency, all Town facilities and libraries remain closed and our programming and events are suspended until June 30th.



As we continue to operate under these unique circumstances, it is important to stay healthy, active and engaged with your loved ones, friends and co-workers from a distance. There are many activities, tips and ideas being shared online to help manage stress, working from home, home schooling, and some ideas for staying active. We are very fortunate to have access to some amazing technology which enables us to stay connected virtually. Even an old-fashioned telephone call goes a long way!

To engage our community in some great activities, three weeks ago, the Town launched a Health and Active Living Challenge. Our Community Parks, Recreation and Culture team shares daily videos of challenges or activities that you and your family can try at home. The activities include fitness routines, lego challenge, a wall sit challenge, pyramid building and many more.

I encourage you to participate by watching the challenges on the Town's Facebook (Town of East Gwillimbury), Twitter (TownofEG) or on our website at www.eastgwillimbury.ca/ActiveEG

Once you watch the challenges you can post or send in a video or a photo of you completing the activity and tag the Town on social media using the hashtag #ActiveEG or email leisure1@eastgwillimbury.ca to be entered in a draw to win a weekly prize! Prizes include passes for our drop-in programs, a free week of summer camp, as well as a free Fall/Winter program.

As the weather continues to get nicer, another great idea is to do a litter clean up around your own property and if you have vulnerable or elderly neighbours perhaps you can offer to assist with their yard work. I have also seen some amazing chalk artwork done on sidewalks and driveways. Be sure to send us your inspirational messages and designs as we love to see the support of our community. Remember, staying kind and supporting one another is what will help us get through this time.

Whatever you do to stay active, please keep yourself and others safe by practicing physical distancing and I remind you that walks and activities should only be done with those that live in your household.

Stay active, healthy and kind.

Virginia Hackson

## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights from the April 21 Council Meeting will be included in next week's Town Page. To see the agenda visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/agendas, and to watch a video of the Council Meeting visit our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/TownEastGwillimbury

## **COVID-19 BUSINESS UPDATES**

#### **Business Assessment Tool**

It's a challenging time for businesses in our community, and our Economic Development Team has launched a Business Assessment Tool to help businesses find resources that are best suited to meet their needs.

#### Support Local Businesses

Many of our EG businesses have adapted their operations to continue serving our community safely during this time. A list of local businesses that are still operating is available on

For more information, visit www.eastgwillimbury.ca/covidbusiness

#### **COMMUNITY TRAILS UPDATE**

For your safety and the safety of the community, all Town outdoor recreational amenities such as sports fields, playgrounds, basketball courts, skate parks, bike parks, picnic areas, park shelters, and community gardens are closed as per the Province's Emergency Closure Order.

Green spaces in parks and trails, and the York Regional Forest Tracts are open for pass-through access, but visitors must continue to practice social/physical distancing.

The Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority has closed all their properties, and therefore the Nokiidaa Trail is closed at their request. Visit

www.eastgwillimbury.ca/covidfaqs to view maps of open trails in our community.

By-law and park staff will be visiting Town parks to remind residents of public health directives such as social distancing. To submit a complaint, please email bylaws@eastgwillimbury.ca

## **DON'T FLUSH WIPES OF ANY KIND**

Wipes of any kind are not flushable and don't break down like toilet paper. Don't flush wipes in the toilet as this will cause sewer blockages which may lead to a sewer back-up in your house.

To properly dispose of wipes, please place them in the garbage. Please visit www.york.ca/idontflush for more information.

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# YORK REGION COVID-19 DASHBOARD

York Region has launched a new enhanced COVID-19 reporting system at york.ca/COVID19. The new dashboard will be updated everyday at 5 p.m. with detailed information on York Region COVID-19 cases, including the age, source of acquisition of illness, status of cases, and more.

#### **COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

East Gwillimbury Food Pantry - April 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside of the Holland Landing Community Centre. For more information, visit www.egpl.ca

Second Chance Clothing Depot & Food Cupboard

- Every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to noon at St. James the Apostle Anglican Church. For more information, visit www.stjamessharon.com

Mount Albert Food Pantry - April 29 at Mount Albert United Church located at 41 Alice Street. For information visit, www.mauc.ca

# The Library at Home



Join us for Online Storytimes every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:30 am on Facebook!

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