

## Sneaking a peek



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Allison Ross, 16, of Stouffville models a bridal gown as Sebastian Boudreault, 5, of Keswick, sneaks a peek. Organizers, all York Region women entrepreneurs, are gearing up for their first bridal and fashion show in the Great Room of the Briars Resort in Georgina March 20 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a fashion show, prizes, goodie bags, jewellery, makeup and hair, a florist, caterer with food samples, complimentary beverages and more. Proceeds of the event go to the Georgina food bank.

## York police asked to patrol SDSS property

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not getting away with it. More fights are taking place out in the open. The school is finding out."

Most of the fights occur during lunch hour, Mrs. Smith said. While a majority are between boys, there have been incidents involving girls, she said.

York Regional Police have been asked to patrol school property, especially during lunch hour. As well, officers are visiting Grade 9 classes to speak about violence.

Strategies include presentations on bullying and the Safe School policy, involvement of the student council and staff supervision in halls and areas surrounding the school.

Parents have been asked to talk to their children about acceptable strategies for conflict resolution.

Students are being reminded they can take part in extra-curricular programs, including enrichment programs and peer mediation.

If students hear a fight is about to occur, they are asked to report it. "We want to nip it in the bud," Mrs. Smith said.

A vast majority of the school's 850 students are positive, well-behaved individuals, the principal said.

"Most students are focused on their studies and many are involved in our extra-curricular programs. It's a very small percentage who engage in the fighting."

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