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2021 2022 Guiding Question: How am I Anti-Racist?



Mission: To advance student achievement and well-being through public education, which motivates learners, fosters inclusion, inspires innovation and builds community.

Vision: To be a leader in public education by empowering all students to become engaged and caring citizens of the world.

#### **School Values:**

Citizenship/Empathy Inclusivity/Innovation Relationships Self-Awareness/Optimism

#### School Schedule:

8:15 am - staff supervised 8:25 am - entry bell 8:30 am - announcements Virtual through Scholar's Google classroom 10:10 -10:40 am snack recess 10:40-12:20 - learning block 12:20 - 1:20 pm lunch (1 hour) 1:20 - 3:00 pm learning block 3:00 pm dismissal bell rings

# Aldergrove Public School Community Newsletter 04, 07, 2022

# Message from the Office

Dear Families,

Aldergrove staff and scholars are looking forward to the warmer weather and great learning that continues to happen at school. With the arrival of Spring, many families shared in celebration with "Naw Ruz", Persian New Year. Many thanks to our staff who created a beautiful Haft Seen table in the foyer which gave us appreciation and learning for this celebration.

We work together to create spaces for all our learners including our neurodiverse learners. April is Autism Acceptance Month. Throughout April and onward, scholars will learn about autism and the spectrum, the infinity sign that is now used to recognize, appreciate, accept and affirm all aspects of being a neurodiverse learner in our community.

This month, our grade 4-8 scholars will participate in workshops with the Markham Public Library at Aldergrove. As well, they will be having a virtual author visit with Jason D'Rocha (author of the book "Nothing But Yet"), continuing to build our love of literacy and the interconnectedness of school and community.

The Ministry of Education has confirmed EQAO will take place this year. The grade 3's and 6's will be writing their EQAO in May. The assessment will take place for face-to-face scholars **only.** A virtual parent EQAO information session is scheduled for May 5, 2022 to go over some of the changes that have occurred as well as share dates and tips for families.

To our families beginning Ramadan, we wish you peace and grace during this month of reflection and sacrifice. Additionally, we wish our families who are celebrating Vaisakhi, Tamil New Year and Easter over the next few weeks, the very best of celebrations.

Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting our scholars.

F. Jessa H. Ou-Hingwan

Principal Vice Principal

Late Arrivals: Families may not enter the building. Please ring the buzzer and scholars will enter and follow protocols.



FAQs Reminders
What time should my
child(ren) arrive at school?
Students should arrive at
the school by 8:15 a.m. in
the morning. Teachers will
be present OUTSIDE, in the
school yard.

Where do I pick my child up at the end of the day?

Please meet your child where you dropped them off in the morning.

# Bussing



Please visit the website <a href="http://net.schoolbuscity.c">http://net.schoolbuscity.c</a> <a href="mailto:om/">om/</a> to check if your scholar's bus is on time.

Bus Loop Safety DROP OFF and PICK UP Our staff, scholars' and community safety is of our utmost concern. It is important that *you follow* the direction of the staff on duty and always be careful when entering and exiting the loop and/or parking lot. As well, if you are in the parking lot during drop-off and pick-up times, do not exit from the Chichester and Aldergrove intersection this is posing a danger to the scholars who are entering and leaving the school. Safety is everyone's responsibility. Please slow down near

the school zone, and follow the directions of

#### 2022 2023 - School Year Model

If your child will be attending school in person (face-to-face) next year, no action is required.

If you would like your child to attend a virtual school for the 2022-2023 school year, please complete the form sent to you via personalized email from "YRDSB Update" with the subject line: YRDSB (Elementary/Secondary) Virtual School Optional Transfer for (student name) by April 7, 2022.

When selecting the Virtual School, students and families should expect to remain in the selected model for the full school year.

If you did not receive the email, you can find a link to the forms for <u>Elementary</u> <u>Virtual School</u>

If your child is graduating this school year and attending would like to attend Virtual high school complete the following link: Secondary Virtual School

Given the numerous benefits of in-person leaning, we are planning for our students to attend school in person, while following all appropriate measures to protect the health and safety of students, staff and families.

Students who attend school in-person benefit from:

- · developing social/interpersonal skills
- · improving in-person communication skills
- building teamwork skills
- · wide range of experiential learning opportunities that support different learning styles
- · sharing and playing in person
- · participating in social activities, extracurricular clubs, teams and athletics
- · leadership opportunities provided through co-curricular activities
- · student leadership and mentorship

Schools will continue to follow YRPH COVID-19 Guidelines to ensure safety measures for in-person learning.

For further information please visit our Virtual School FAQs for families.

the crossing guard during drop off and pick up. We appreciate your partnership in ensuring everyone stays safe at school.

Additionally, please do not park in the staff parking lot at the end of the day as there have been some serious child safety incidents as parents exit out of the lot. Families are asked to either park in designated areas on the street or follow pick up directions from staff in the bus loop.

# Health Protocol Highlights - Effective March 21st, 2022

As you may be aware, the <u>Government of Ontario</u> announced their plan to lift many of the COVID-19 health and safety measures in public spaces and schools.

- Students, staff members and school visitors will no longer be required to wear masks in school. Individuals who feel more comfortable or who are advised to wear a mask can continue to wear a mask and will be supported in doing so.
- Staff and students will **not** be required to complete the screening confirmation form each day but continue to review and adhere to the <a href="COVID-19 School and Child-Care Screening Tool">COVID-19 School and Child-Care Screening Tool</a> (please click on Check for Symptoms Daily), prior to entering the school daily. The screening tool has been updated to reflect new isolation requirements.
- Students will no longer be required to remain in cohorts or to practice physical distancing.
- Hand washing and cleaning protocols will remain in place. In addition, we will continue to follow our current ventilation practices.

We appreciate that students and families may have mixed reactions to this announcement. Our educators will continue to support student well-being as these changes are implemented, and work to ensure all of our students feel safe, welcome and supported. Please also be assured that we will continue to consult with public health to ensure we are taking all appropriate measures to protect the health and safety of our students, staff members and families.

# **April Mental Health Newsletter for Families**

Focus on One Small Thing: Fostering Positive Mindsets.

# **Triple P+Parenting**

Parenting skill workshops

#### Library News - Message From Markham Public Library

Welcome to Between the Lines! Our new reading challenge program for elementary school age children. Each month we will have new reading challenges and other activities for grades K to 8 with all kinds of different themes and adventures.

https://markhampubliclibrary.ca/blogs/post/welcome-to-between-the-lines/

# What's Happening in the Building - Something to talk about!



Ramadan is a month of fasting and reflection for Muslims. Our staff and scholars contributed to this display in the foyer. Scholars have access to the Learning Commons during lunch for a quiet space. They also have access to the prayer/meditation room to use as needed.



Spring is in the air in the FDK hallway.
Scholars will build upon their observations during outdoor excursions and share their artwork on this display. We look forward to seeing the work in progress throughout the spring months.



Ms. Khimji's Grade 4/5A had a basketball clinic with Ms. Gnanaharan and Mr. Ho. What an amazing learning opportunity in the gym!

### Community Safety -

Pick Up and Drop Off - please do not park in the staff parking lot at the beginning and end of the day.

Exiting the parking lot requires you to follow the bus loop out of the building. There is no exit at Hendon and Aldergrove during school hours.

Let us work together to keep our scholars safe when they enter and exit the school premise.

#### Dates to remember:

April 14: Vaisakhi & Tamil New Year April 15: Good Friday - No School April 18: Easter Monday - No School

May 5: EQAO Parent Info Session - 6:30-7:30pm



# Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for September 2022 begins January 14 for the 2022-23 school year. Children who were born in 2018, live within the school boundary and whose parents/guardians are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for Kindergarten.

There are several ways you can register for Kindergarten:

- Online Families can access online Edsby by following Kindergarten registration information at <a href="www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten">www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten</a>. It is recommended that families use a laptop or a desktop, rather than a mobile device to complete this registration.
- By email Families can download the <u>Elementary School</u> Registration Form at <u>www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten</u> and email the completed form to their school email address Aldergrove.ps@yrdsb.ca.
- **By phone** Families can request support from the school office to complete the registration form on their behalf by collecting the required information by phone. School contact number (905) 470-2227
- By mail or appointment. You can mail completed applications to the school, or request an appointment to drop-off your completed paper application form. Families are asked to follow all school COVID-19 protocols while on site. All permitted visitors must wear a mask.

Please note, at this time, under our <u>health and safety protocols</u>, we cannot accept walk-in registrations. Once you have completed your application, the school will contact you to make an appointment to review and verify the required documents.

Our Kindergarten programs are caring and welcoming where children learn through exploration, play and inquiry. You can learn more at <a href="https://www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten">www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten</a>. We look forward to welcoming our new students and families to the school.

CAPC Markham Indoor Program - Begins April 7, 2022 - Registration Required Our planned indoor program at Aldergrove P.S. will begin in April.

Refer to the private Facebook page for updates:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/markhamcapc



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1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

**Thursdays** April 07th, 14th, 21st, 28th, May 05th and 12th

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"BRIDGING THE PAST WITH THE PRESENT... NAVIGATING THE PRESENT INTO THE FUTURE

- Cultural Food
- Life skills
- Retreats
- Field Trips
- Career Exploitation
- Community hours Academic Support (When needed)
  - Mentorship
  - Leadership
  - **Cultural Experience**



The Sankofa Mentoring Program is rooted in an African Rites of Passage framework that highlights the principles of Unity, Self-Determination, Collective Work and Responsibility, Cooperative Economics, Purpose, Creativity, Faith and Self-Respect.

## **Pre-Register at:**

https://yorkregionaacc.ca/sankofa -mentoring-program gmgr@yorkregionaacc.ca





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今年思考问题: 我如何能成为反种族歧视的 人?



# 宗旨

通过公共教育,鼓励学生,推 动包融,启发創新和建设社区 ,以学生成就和身心健康发展

## 理念

增強所有学生參与以成为关心 社会的世界公民, 并成为在公 共教育的一位领袖

#### APS 学校七个价值

公民責任 同理心 包融 創新

关系

自觉

乐观

# 每天自我筛檢:

School and Child Care
Screening Tool

# Translation begins here -翻译从这里开始

亲爱的家长,

Aldergrove 的工作人员和学者们期待着温暖的天气和在学校继续发生的伟大学习。随着春天的到来,许多家庭共同庆祝波斯新年"Naw Ruz"。非常感谢我们的工作人员在前厅创造了一张漂亮的 Haft Seen 桌子,这让我们对这次庆祝活动表示赞赏和学习。

我们共同努力为我们所有的学习者创造空间,包括我们神经多样的学习者。四月是自 闭症接受月。整个四月及以后,学者们将了解自闭症和自闭症谱系,这个无穷大符号 现在被用来识别、欣赏和肯定我们社区中神经多样性学习者的方方面面。

本月,我们 4-8 年级的学者将与万锦公共图书馆合作在 Aldergrove 举办研讨会。 他们还将与 Jason D'Rocha ("Nothing But Yet"一书的作者)进行虚拟作者访问 ,继续建立我们对识字的热爱以及学校和社区的相互联系。

教育部已确认 EQAO 将于今年举行。 3 年级和 6 年级的学生将在 5 月进行他们的 EQAO测试。评估将只针对面对面的学者进行。虚拟学生EQAO家长信息会议计划于 2022 年 5 月 5 日举行,以回顾已经发生的一些变化,并为家庭分享日期和提示。

对于我们开始斋月的家人,我们希望您在这个反思和牺牲的月份中获得和平与恩典。此外,我们祝愿我们的家人在接下来的几周内庆祝 Vaisakhi、泰米尔新年和复活节,这是最好的庆祝活动。

感谢您继续合作支持我们的学者。

F. Jessa H.Ou-Hingwan

校长 副校长

# 2022 2023 - 学年学习模式

如果您的孩子明年将亲自(面对面)上学,则无需采取任何行动。

如果您希望您的孩子在 2022-2023 学年就读虚拟学校, **2022 年 4 月 7 日前**请填写由电子邮件发送给您的表格 "YRDSB 更新",电子邮件主题为:YRDSB(小学/中学)转学虚拟学校

在选择虚拟学校时,学生和家庭应该期望在整个学年保持所选虚拟模式,不可更改。如果您没有收到电子邮件,您可以找到小学虚拟学校表格的链接

如果您的孩子本学年即将毕业并且想上虚拟高中,请完成以下链接: 中学虚拟学校

鉴于面对面学习的诸多好处,我们计划让学生亲自上学,同时采取一切适当措施保护 学生、教职员工和家庭的健康和安全。

亲自上学的学生受益于:

- 发展社交/人际交往能力
- 提高人际沟通技巧
- 培养团队合作能力
- 广泛的体验式学习机会,支持不同的学习方式
- 亲自分享和玩耍
- 参加社交活动、课外俱乐部、团队和田径运动
- 通过课外活动提供的领导机会
- 学生领导和指导

学校将继续遵循 YRPH COVID-19 指南,以确保面对面学习的安全措施。

欲知详情,请浏览我们给家长的虚拟学校常见问题。

# **Inspire**Learning.

### 学校上课时间表

早上8:15 -教职员在校外当 值

8:25- 打钟学生可进校

8:30- 广播和早课开始

10:10-10:40- 休息(三十分 钟)

10:40-12:20-早上中段课

下午12:20-1:20-午飯(一个小时) 1:20-3:00- 下午课程 3:00- 放学打钟

迟到:家长不可进入学校。 请按门铃和学生可按規定 进入学校。

#### 重要问题和提示

- -我的孩子应該什么时间到 校?
- 学生应在早上八时十五分 到达学校。老师会在后操 场等候学生。
- 我应该在下课时在那里接 走我孩子?

请在您早上把他们放下的 地方接走孩子。

# 卫生协议要点 - 2022 年 3 月 21 日生效

您可能已经知道,安大略省政府宣布了他们在公共场所和学校取消许多 COVID-19 健康和安全措施的计划。

- 学生、教职员工和学校访客将不再需要在学校佩戴口罩。感觉更舒服安全或被建议戴口罩的个人,可以继续戴口罩,并且会得到支持。
- 教职员工和学生无需每天填写筛查确认表,但在每天进入学校之前继续查看并遵守 COVID-19 <u>学校和儿童保育筛查工具</u>(请点击每天检查症状)。筛选工具已更新,以反映新的隔离要求。
- 学生将不再被要求分组或保持距离。
- 洗手和清洁规程将保持不变。此外,我们将继续遵循我们目前的通风做法。

我们感谢学生和家庭对此公告的反应不一。随着这些变化的实施,我们的教育工作者将继续支持学生的福祉,并努力确保我们所有的学生都感到安全、受欢迎和支持。还请放心,我们将继续与公共卫生部门协商,以确保我们采取一切适当措施保护学生、教职员工和家庭的健康和安全。

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# 四月家庭心理健康通讯

专注于一件小事:培养积极的心态。

# 三重P+育儿

育儿技巧工作坊

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# 图书馆新闻 - 万锦公共图书馆寄语

欢迎来到字里行间! 我们针对小学生的新阅读挑战计划。 每个月,我们都会为幼儿园至 8 年级提供新的阅读挑战和其他活动,包括各种不同的主题和冒险。

https://markhampubliclibrary.ca/blogs/post/welcome-to-between-the-lines/

# 学校里发生了什么——有话要说!



斋月是穆斯林斋戒和反思的一个月。 我们的工作人员和学者为前厅的这次展示做出了贡献。 学者们可以在午餐期间进入学习共享空间,享受安静的空间。 他们还可以根据需要使用祈祷/冥想室。



幼稚园走廊里的空气中弥漫着春天的气息。 学者们将在户外游览期间建立他们的观察结果, 并在此展览上分享他们的作品。 我们期待在整 个春季的几个月中看到正在进行的工作。



4/5A Ms. Khimji 老师和 Ms. Gnanaharan 老师和 Mr. Ho 老师开了一个篮球练习会。 体育馆里学习机会真是太棒了!

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# 重要日期:

4 月 14 日: Vaisakhi 和泰米尔新年

4月15日:耶稣受难日——不上课

4月18日:复活节星期一-不上课

5 月 5 日: EQAO 家长信息会 - 下午 6:30-7:30

# 社区安全 - 接送上下车

我们的工作人员、学生和社区的安全是我们最关心的问题。 请务必遵循值班人员的指示,并在进出环路和/或停车场时始终小心。 同样,如果您在上下车时间在停车场,请不要从 Hendon 和 Aldergrove 交叉口离开——这会对进出学校的学生构成危险。 安全是每个人的责任。 请在学区附近放慢速度,并在上下车时遵循交叉警卫的指示。 我们感谢您在确保每个人在学校保持安全方面的合作。

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#### 幼儿园报名

**2022-23** 学年幼儿园注册于**2022** 年**1** 月 **14** 日开始。 **2018** 年出生、居住在学校范围内且父母/监护人是公立学校税收支持者的儿童将有资格注册幼儿园。

您可以通过以下几种方式注册幼儿园:

- · **在线 Edsby** 家庭可以访问 <u>www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten</u>的在线幼儿园注册信息。建议家庭使用笔记本电脑或电脑而不是手机来完成此注册。
- · **通过电子邮件** 家庭可以在 <u>www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten</u>下载<u>小学注册表格</u>,并将填写好的表格通过电子邮件发送到他们学校的电子邮件地址 Aldergrove.ps@yrdsb.ca。
- · **通过电话**——家庭可以通过电话收集所需的信息,请求学校办公室的支持,以代表他们填写注册表。学校联系电话 (905) 470-2227
- · **通过邮件或预约**。您可以将填好的申请邮寄给学校,或要求预约寄出您填妥的纸质申请表。要求家庭在现场时遵守所有学校 COVID-19 协议。所有允许的访客必须戴口罩。

请注意,目前,根据我们的<u>健康和安全协议</u>,我们不接受无预约登记。完成申请后,学校将与您联系以预约审查和验证<u>所需文件</u>。

我们的幼儿园课程充满爱心和热情,让孩子们通过探索、游戏和探究来学习。您可以在 www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten 了解更多信息。我们期待着欢迎我们的新学生和家庭来到学校。



# 万锦 CAPC 室内儿童活动项目 -

我们在 Aldergrove P.S. 计划的室内活动。 将于四月开始。

有关更新,请参阅私人 Facebook 页面:

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