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APS Guiding Questions:
Who am I?
Who are you?
Who are we together?

APS - Seven Values
Citizenship
Empathy
Inclusivity
Innovation
Relationships

Self-Awareness Optimism



# Aldergrove Public School Community Newsletter June 14, 2024, Vol. 20

# Message from the Office

As we move toward ending off this school year, we reflect on our growth and community. We have been able to support, affirm and celebrate each other as individuals, and as a community with a shared vision of an inclusive space that invites, ignites and inspires excellence. When we think about all the learning that has taken place, the relationships built and the community that has been formed, these reflections give us energy and excitement for our scholars' successes and their futures ahead.

Please let us know any moving plans by using the form included in this newsletter. Likewise if you know of new families joining our school please encourage them to contact the school office to register.

Thank you for your continued partnership in supporting our scholars.

Ms. Jessa Mr. Pamayah Principal Vice Principal

# June is Pride and National Indigenous History Month

#### **Resources for Families**

Guide to the School Year

Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - June 2024 York Hills Positive Parenting Seminars

Hong Fook Mental Health Association Newsletter - May

The Centre for Black Student Excellence

Markham Public Library

Aldergrove Archives: Past Newsletters and School Council Minutes

#### **School Schedule**

8:15 am - staff on duty outside (scholars stay outside until entry bell, except when it's raining)

8:25 am - entry bell

8:30 am - learning block

10:10 am - 10:40 am recess

10:40 am -12:20 - learning block

12:20 pm - 1:20 pm lunch

1:20 pm - 3:00 pm learning block

3:00 pm - dismissal

### Safe Arrivals:

Please be on time for school. If your child is late or will be absent, please inform the school office or use EDSBY to share this information.

# Thursday, June 27, 2024 Early Dismissal

All schools in the York Region District School Board are committed to improving student achievement and well-being. On **Thursday**, **June 27**, **2024**, an early release day will take place to allow elementary staff to take part in meetings during the afternoon of that day. These meetings will allow for school staff to engage in culminating activities regarding the review and revision of the School's Improvement Plan as well as year-end and transition activities that support student success.

As has been our practice in the past, students will attend school during the morning of Thursday, June 27, 2024 only. Students will be dismissed early that day at **11:30**. Arrangements will be made to ensure that students who are normally bused to and from school will receive transportation at this time. Families whose children attend after school child care should make appropriate arrangements to address this change in schedule.

If you are moving out of the ALDERGROVE P.S.			
Attendance area, please advise the school A.S.A.P.			
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Class:	WEADE		
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New School:	0-0-		
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Address:			

## **Weather Preparation**

Aldergrove scholars need to be comfortable throughout the school day and dress appropriately for the different weather they may experience at recess. The list below outlines some suggestions for Spring (April through June)

- sun hat
- closed toe shoes
- light jacket

- long pants
- shorts in hot weather
- rain boots,

- raincoat
- extra socks

### **Term 2 Aldergrove Lunch Programs**

Tuesday: Pizza Lunch, February 6-June 25. Wednesday: Sushi Lunch, February 7-June 26.

Friday: Sub Lunch, February 9-June 21.







# Forest of Reading Blue Spruce Celebration

On Wednesday, June 12, primary students were able to come together and celebrate the Blue Spruce reading program. This celebration had students reviewing the nominated books and selecting a winner for the school.





#### June is Pride Month

June is Pride Month around the globe. It's a time when people in the 2SLGBTQAI+ community (Two Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Asexual, Intersex and additional identities) recognize 2SLGBTQAI+ history and leaders in activism.

Pride Month is an opportunity for schools to embrace inclusion and celebrate diversity. It is the expectation of the York Region District School Board that staff are providing identity affirming 2SLGBTQAI+ education to ensure that students are learning about gender identity, cissexism, homophobia, diversity and inclusion. At Aldergrove, families will notice that the school will be coming together to understand, affirm and appreciate the important event of Pride Month. Thank you to our school GSA for continuing to educate the school about 2SLGBTQIA+ people.



### **Chess Tournament**







# Standing in the Doorway Exhibit







# June is National Indigenous History Month

In June, Canadians celebrate National Indigenous History Month to honour the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Métis and Inuit in Canada. It is also an opportunity to recognize the strength of present-day Indigenous Peoples and communities.

The Canadian Government unanimously declared June as National Indigenous History Month in 2009 through a motion in the House of Commons. The month, which includes National Indigenous Peoples Day, is a perfect time to reflect upon the long relationship between the many different Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island and Canadians throughout history. For students and teachers, it is a good time to become better acquainted with the different First Peoples who share this land with us. June 21 was declared National Indigenous Peoples Day in 1996 by then Governor General Romeo Leblanc. The day was chosen in consultation with some national organizations for Indigenous Peoples including the Assembly of First Nations, and coincides with the summer solstice which is significant for some First Nations.



### **Toronto Paramedics Visit Primary**







# **Kindergarten Registration**

Kindergarten registration for September 2024 begins January 19 for the 2024-25 school year. Children who turn four or five years old during 2024, 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 the online Kindergarten registration information at <u>www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten</u>. 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 Registration Form</u> at <u>www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten</u> and email the completed form to their school email address. Email addresses can be found on the <u>school website</u>.
- By phone Families can request support to complete the registration form on their behalf by collecting the required information by phone. Families can request an interpreter, if needed, during this phone conversation. <u>Call your local school</u>.
- In-person at the school Families may visit the school office to drop off or complete a registration form.

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.

# **Eco Certifciation for Aldergrove**

This year, Aldergrove joined over 1,700 schools across Canada to create a positive environmental impact. We taught students how to use waste bins appropriately, started a Boomerang Lunch program, encouraged the use of GOOS paper(Good On One Side), held a clothing swap, and organized a textile waste drive. We held walk to school Wednesdays, Winter Walk Days and Bike to School Weeks. After all the Eco Team's hard work, Aldergrove was awarded a Gold Level Eco Schools Certificate!







It is hard to believe we are almost at the end of another school year. I hope that this has been a great school year for you and your child, and you continue to see evidence of your child's learning and engagement at school.

As a school board, there are several things we have been focused on in recent months that I want to update you on.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the <u>Multi-Year Strategic Plan consultations</u>. The plan sets our priorities and direction as a school board. Your input will help ensure our plan reflects both the <u>priorities established by the Ministry of Education</u> and the community we serve. The revised plan will be announced in the fall and I look forward to sharing those updates.

I also want to thank everyone who shared their feedback in the budget survey. Again, we want to ensure that the community has voice in these important decisions. We are committed to transparency and you can find information about the <u>school board budget on the board website</u> that will continue to be updated.

This is an exciting time of year as schools host end-of-year events including concerts and graduations. I want to offer my sincere congratulations to all of our students on your hard work this year, and a special congratulations to the graduating class of 2024. This is an important milestone and a celebration of years of perseverance, commitment, growth and learning. Graduates should feel proud of all they have accomplished. I wish you all the very best for the future and hope you continue to cherish the memories you have made in this school.

I also want to acknowledge all of the many ways that you support your child's learning and our public education system as family members throughout the year, whether it's helping with homework, reading communications, making sure they're out the door on time or volunteering in the school. We recognize that this is a partnership and value the relationship with families.

As we wrap up the school year and look ahead to summer, I want to remind families:

- While report cards are shared online, families can request a printed copy through the school.
- The school board offers a number of summer learning opportunities for students in elementary and secondary school.
- You can also access links to <u>resources to support student learning</u> on the Board website to support summer learning.

I wish everyone a positive end to the school year and a safe, happy and enjoyable summer. We look forward to welcoming back returning students in the new school year.

Jenny Chen, Trustee, Markham Wards 1 and 8





# **June 2024**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Day 5 Grade 6 EQAO	4 Day 1 Pizza Day < Grade 6 EQAO	5 Day 2 Sushi Day == Grade 3 EQAO	6 Day 3 Grade 3 EQAO	7 PA Day (No School)	8
9	10 Day 4	11 Day 5 Pizza Day < Track & Field Areas	12 Day 1 Shavout Sushi Day == Grade 8 Grad Trip	13 Day 2 Shavout	14 Day 3 Sub Day ⊌	15
16	17 Day 4 Eid-ul-Adha	18 Day 5 Pizza Day <	19 Day 1 Sushi Day 🚾	20 Day 2 Grade 8 Grad	21 Day 3 Indigenous Peoples Day Sub Day	22
23	24 Day 4	25 Day 5 Pizza Day <	26 Day 0 Sushi Day ==	27 Day 0 Last Day of School Early Dismissal at 11:30 11:30 PA (No School)	28 PA Day (No School)	29

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# KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

There are several ways you can register your child for Kindergarten

# Option 1: Online

Register online by visiting www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten.



# Option 2: Phone

Register by calling the school to request support to complete the registration over the phone. Interpreters available upon request.



# Option 3: In Person

Visit the school office to drop off or complete a registration form.



# Register in just two easy steps:



Complete registration form and submit to the school



The school will contact you to review and verify the required documents

# Community Action Program for Children- Markham

Virtual & In-Person Programs Families with Children Ages 0-6 Years of Age

# **MAY/JUNE 2024**

	Monday Tuesday		Wednesday	Thursday	
Indoor Programs	Little Artist 9:30-11:30 AM Aldergrove Public School Birth-6 years unregistered  UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS Inne 10th Dragon Boat Festival	Seamless Transitions 9:30-11:30 AM Aldergrove Public School *May 7th-June 11th *Children born 2019/2020 only Registration Required		<u>Learn and Play</u> 9:30-11:30 AM Aldergrove Public School Birth-6 years unregistered	
Virtual Programs	#Bedtime Stories 6:30PM Facebook Live Birth-6 years unregistered	#Circletime 12:30PM Facebook Live Birth-6 years unregistered	#Storytelling 12:30PM Facebook Live Birth-6 years unregistered	<b>#PlayandLearn</b> 12:30PM Facebook Live Birth-6 years unregistered	
Outdoor Programs		Program De	Outdoor Circle Time 9:30-11:00 AM Denison Park Birth-6 years unregistered		

# Program Descriptions

Special events: June 10th Dragon Boat Festival! Let's enjoy the dragon boat race and delicious food.

#### Seamless Transitions Workshop Series:

#### Register @ https://forms.office.com/r/2WfEJk9dGw

Seamless Transitions is an interactive parent-child program in person, indoor for children who are entering Junior Kindergarten in September 2024. This is a six-week program that focuses on nurturing the four foundations of learning, belonging, well-being, expression and engagement that children organically pursue which support optimal learning and a healthy environment. CAPC Educators will support children and their families by providing activities, resources and tips on how to support your child's transition to school. Seamless Transitions will provide you with a chance to observe and take part in their children's play-based learning with the intent of creating a common language and learning between home and school.

Little Artist- Our little Artist program, where creativity meets education for budding birth to 6-year-olds! Our carefully crafted curriculum is a vibrant canvas, inspiring young minds to explore, create, and express themselves through various artistic mediums. From finger painting to sculpting, our experienced instructors nurture each child's imagination while teaching fundamental skills such as colour mixing, shape recognition, and fine motor development. Through playful activities and guided projects, we spark curiosity and instill a lifelong appreciation for the arts. Join us in unleashing the inner artist in your child!

Learn and Play.- This indoor program follows a developmental approach aimed at fostering the cognitive, emotional, social, and physical growth of children from birth to six years old through interactive and enjoyable activities. The focus is to provide learning through free play and build positive relationship amongst families.

#Storytelling - Snuggle up in a cozy spot at home and get ready to relax and enjoy a story.

Outdoor Circle Time - Embrace the beauty of springtime and join us for an enchanting outdoor circle experience tailored for children aged 0 to 6 years old! Our Spring Outdoor Circle offers a delightful opportunity for children to immerse themselves in the wonders of the season, celebrating nature's renewal and vibrant colors. During our Spring Outdoor Circle, children will embark on a journey of discovery, exploration, and sensory delight as they engage in a variety of outdoor activities such as music and dance in nature, and story telling.

#PlayandLearn- Join us on Facebook for parents and caregiver to learn different hands-on, open-ended activities for children.

#Circletime- Join us live on Facebook for a lively, interactive session designed to engage young minds in the joy of music and storytelling. Through age-appropriate songs and stories, children explore language development, coordination, and social interaction in a fun, stimulating environment.

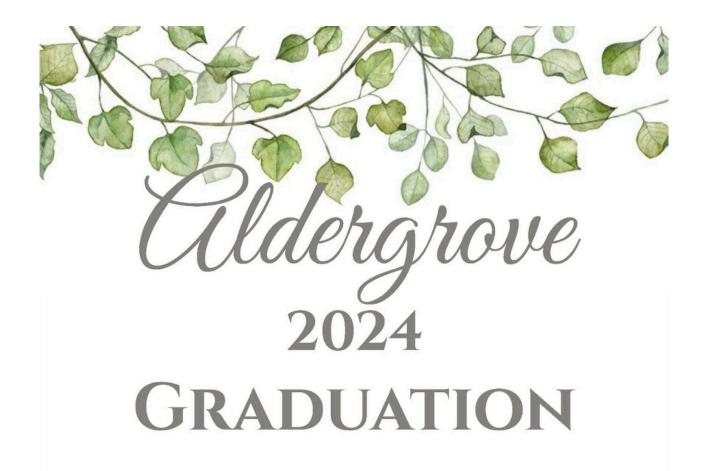
#BedtimeStories- Join us live on Facebook for dreamland tales is an enchanting online bedtime stories program created to make the bedtime routine a magical and ed

Join our private Facebook group for virtual programs, by visiting: https://www.facebook.com/groups/markhamcapc









# SAVE THE DATE!

Thursday | June 20 | 5:30 pm

Markham Convention Centre 2901 Markham Rd, Toronto

5:30 - 7 pm | Graduation Ceremony

7 - 10 pm | Celebration (Grads Only)









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Scan to register!

FOR CHILDREN AGED 6 - 14

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