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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

Inspire Learning!

Aldergrove Public School Community Newsletter

November 24, 2023, Vol.7

Message from the Office

These past few weeks have been filled with opportunities to connect. What a pleasure it was for staff to connect and build partnerships with families on Parent-Teacher Night. Many educators shared excitement about getting to know who their scholars are through the lens of their families. As well, it was time to pause, take a breath and reflect on the learning that continues to take place in the building and the many successes experienced both individually and collaboratively.

We look forward to seeing you at the School Council meeting on Thursday, November 30 at 6:30 pm. We appreciate these opportunities that allow for co-creating a vision for our Aldergrove community. We will continue to build relationships and understanding that foster responsive communication to create inclusive spaces to learn and grow.

Finally, we are looking forward to an Aldergrove tradition, the Gingerbread House Workshop on Thursday, December 7, 2023, from 5-8 pm. This will be an excellent opportunity for school and home to come together and share experiences. Purchase your kit [here](#).

Many thanks for the continued partnerships and conversations over these past few weeks. We look forward to more opportunities to connect and grow together.

Ms. Jessa
Principal

Mr. Pamayah
Vice Principal

Resources for Families

[Guide to the School Year](#)

[The Centre for Black Student Excellence Newsletter - October](#)

[Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - November](#)

[York Hills Positive Parenting Seminars](#)

[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

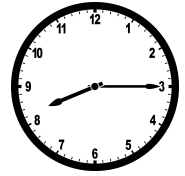
3:00 pm - dismissal

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.

School Arrival Time

Families are reminded school starts at 8:30. Staff supervision starts at 8:15. Scholars need to wait outside at the correct entry door until they are let into the school just before 8:30. They should only be inside the school if they are attending the Breakfast Program.



Aldergrove Parent Teacher Interviews Survey

Parent Teacher Interviews happened on Thursday, November 16 and Friday, November 17. We trust that your parent-teacher interviews gave you the opportunity to discuss your child's development at school. Our staff appreciate the information you shared about your child. Participating in parent-teacher interviews shows your child that you're interested in their learning and life at school. Although the interviews have ended, please continue to talk to your child's teacher about areas of progress and development that you'd like to discuss.

Thank you for participating in the Parent Teacher Interviews. Please use this [survey](#) to reflect on your experiences with Parent Teacher Interviews. What you share will be used to inform planning for next school year.

Active School Travel Class Pizza Party Contest

For the month of November a pizza party contest is being conducted as part of the Active School Travel program. Students are encouraged to travel sustainably (walking, cycling, busing) as often as possible during the month of November for a chance to win a pizza party. To measure results we will be completing surveys on Nov 9th, 16th and 29th. The class with the highest Active School Travel rate will be awarded the pizza party. Good luck to everyone!

Gifted Screening

A letter was sent home regarding dates and steps for the process. Please connect with the office for further information. If you did not receive an update for your Grade 3 scholar, please reach out to the office for further information.

Elementary School Dental Screening Program

York Region Public Health has resumed the dental screening program in schools. Public health staff will begin visiting Aldergrove on January 26 and 29 2024. A letter will be distributed to families closer to the time of screening.



Grade 8 Open House Information Nights

Our YRDSB high schools offer a number of programs, including IB and Arts. Please see the link for more information for open house information nights at our high schools and information about the [transition to Secondary School!](#)

School Council

Please take a look at the dates planned for meetings this year and mark them on your calendar. Child care and language translation is provided at each meeting.

- Thursday, November 30 2nd Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- Thursday, December 7 Gingerbread Night 5:00-8:00 pm
- Thursday, January 25, 2024 Movie Night
- Thursday, February 22, 2024 3rd Council Meeting
- Thursday, March 7 Council Event
- Thursday, May 9 4th Council Meeting
- Friday, April 19 Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- Thursday, April 25 Tentative Event
- Thursday, May 30 Culminating Event

You can access past School Council Minutes [here](#).

Cold Weather is Here!

This is a reminder that all scholars are expected to go outside for recess. Please ensure that your child/ren are dressed appropriately for winter weather. A change of clothes would be helpful for primary children should they get wet during the day. Please make sure all clothing items are labeled with your child's name. Our "Lost and Found" bin gets filled up quickly and belongings often go unclaimed. Please make sure your child has a pair of indoor shoes for school.



Aldergrove Lunch Programs

Aldergrove is providing following lunch programs:

Tuesday: Pizza Lunch, October 17-January 30.

Wednesday: Sushi Lunch, October 18-January 31.

Friday: Sub Lunch, October 27-January 26.



Funds raised are used to subsidize extracurricular activities and events, guest speakers and field trips.

Boomerang Lunch Program Starting in January 2024

HOW IT WORKS: All waste from your child's snacks/lunches will be returned home in their lunch bags. This includes all packaging, uneaten food and leftovers.

WHY WE NEED THIS PROGRAM: Most lunch trash comes from disposable packaging of single use food items, plastic bags and foil. It's estimated that the average school age child using a disposable lunch produces 67 pounds of lunch waste per school year! Using re-usable containers, thermos bottles and bringing the right amount of food will let children know they can be part of the solution to our waste problems.

BENEFITS: A Boomerang lunch provides you with information about the eating habits and preferences of your child. By carrying home the leftovers you can see what's been eaten or not. Teachers see a huge amount of uneaten food go into the garbage day after day. This is not only wasteful but expensive. We know this is asking families to re-think food preparations and student actions but our hope is that informative discussions will take place and habits will change. Packing a waste free lunch not only helps the environment it can also result in healthier more nutritious snack/lunches. Did you know that many pre-packaged foods contain significant amounts of salt, preservatives, sugar and fat?

Waste Free Snack/ Lunch Tips

1. Use reusable lunch carriers. Please avoid plastic or paper bags.
2. Use reusable containers. Please avoid plastic wrap, foil, wax paper, Styrofoam.
3. Use reusable drinks bottles or thermos. Please avoid single-use juice boxes, pouches, cans and plastic water bottles.
4. Use a cloth napkin and wash and re-use. Please avoid paper napkins.
5. Use silverware and wash and re-use. Please avoid plastic forks/knives.
6. Buy fresh fruits and vegetables and cut them up so you can send the right amount. Cutting and peeling fruit and vegetables makes it quicker and easier for your child to eat in their short eating time.
7. Get your children to help pack their snacks/lunches with healthy foods.
8. Only pack as much food as your child will eat.

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GRADE 8 OPEN HOUSE

Welcome Grade 8 Students & Families!

Wednesday, November 29

6:30 – 8:30 pm

Agenda

6:30 – 7:30 pm

Open House

- Clubs & Teams Display
- School Tour
- Meet Grade 9 Teachers & Heads of Departments

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Guidance Presentations

- Offered in English & Mandarin



School E-mail: milliken.mills.hs@yrdsb.ca
Website: <http://millikenmills.hs.yrdsb.ca>

Milliken Mills High School is an International Baccalaureate World School.

The background of the flyer is a light teal color with a pattern of small white snowflakes and golden bokeh lights. In the center, there is a large, stylized gingerbread man wearing a red top hat and a blue scarf. To the right of the gingerbread man is a snowman with a red hat, a yellow carrot nose, and stick arms. The text is overlaid on this background.

SAVE THE DATE

ALDERGROVE'S GINGERBREAD HOUSE WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023

5PM - 8PM

Come build with us + enjoy activities such as
face painting, games, photo booth and more!

Scan This QR Code to Purchase your Kit on Cashonline.





December 2023

The Breakfast Program is **OPEN** every day from 8:00 - 8:25 am

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	November 27 Day 1 Photo Retake Day	November 28 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍕	November 29 Day 3 Author Visit: Amaya James Sushi Day 🍣	November 30 Day 4 School Council 6:30pm	1 Day 5 Sub Day 🍳	2
3 First Sunday of Advent	4 Day 1	5 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍕	6 Day 3 Sushi Day 🍣 Walk to School Wednesday	7 Day 4 Eve of Hanukkah Gingerbread House Workshop 5-8pm 🍪	8 Day 5 First day of Hanukkah Sub Day 🍳	9
10	11 Day 1	12 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍕	13 Day 3 Sushi Day 🍣 Walk to School Wednesday	14 Day 4	15 Day 5 Last day of Hanukkah Sub Day 🍳	16
17	18 Day 1	19 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍕	20 Day 3 Sushi Day 🍣 Walk to School Wednesday	21 Day 4	22 Day 5 Sub Day 🍳 Spirit Day: Pajama Day	23
24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day Winter Break (No School) ▶	26 Boxing Day	27 Kwanzaa	28	29	30
31 New Years Eve	Winter Break (No School) ▶					

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YOUTH GAMBLING AWARENESS SERIES

This workshop series is designed to offer educational prevention sessions to adults involved in young people's lives on gambling awareness including potential risks, making informed decisions and healthy and active living.

We welcome all parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend these free virtual sessions!

November 7, 2023: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Game Bling: When Gaming Meets Gambling

This session explores unconventional forms of gambling available to minors, the signs of problem gaming and gambling and explores the potential risks of these activities. Parents will learn strategies on how to help your child make safe and healthy decisions and information on community support services will be provided.

November 14, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Gambling, Money and Decision Making: Financial Literacy and Gambling

This session discusses items of value used by youth to bet with, and analyzes factors leading them to participate in games of chance to make money. Financial risks of gambling will be explored while providing safety tips and information on community support services.

November 21, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Media Impact

This session will explore the increased youth exposure to gambling-related content on social media platforms while providing media safety tips for parents and information on community support services.

November 28, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Stigma and Gambling

This session will define stigma associated with gambling while providing factual knowledge and awareness to support a compassionate approach to reducing stigma and facilitating an open dialogue. Information on community support services will also be shared.

[REGISTER](#) Now For These Free Sessions Today!



These free information sessions are organized by York Region District School Board in collaboration with YMCA of Greater Toronto Youth Gambling Awareness Program (YGAP).

For more information please feel free to contact: Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer at oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca or 416-568-2252.

Meaning of Home



Inspire your students and give back

Contest opens for entries January 8, 2024.

The Meaning of Home is an annual writing contest for students in Grades 4, 5 and 6 in support of Habitat for Humanity Canada. Students across Canada are invited to submit a poem or essay explaining what *home* means to them. It's a great way to engage your students in an interactive and fun way, and it teaches youth the importance of safe, affordable housing.

Why get involved?



Each entry results in a **\$10 donation to your local Habitat for Humanity.**



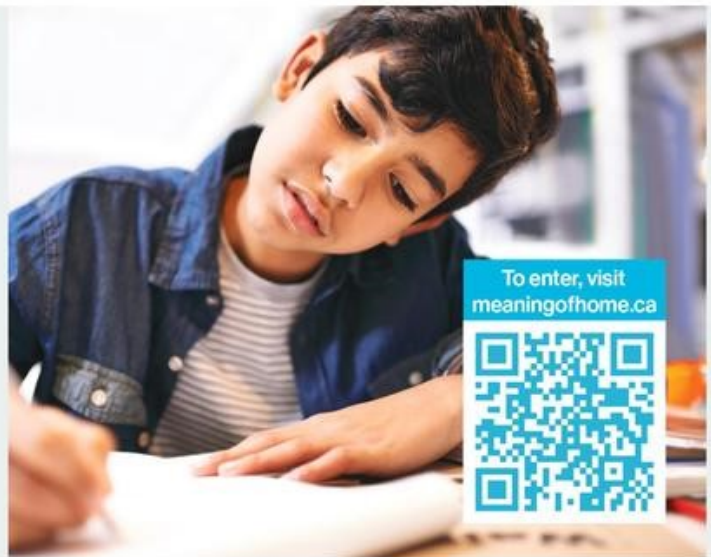
Help students improve their **critical thinking, communication and creative skills.**



You're helping families build **strength, stability and independence** through affordable homeownership.



Winners will receive a grant to direct to a local Habitat, **a pizza party for their class and a tablet!**



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* No purchase necessary. Contest valid from January 8 to February 23, 2024. There are 12 prizes available to be won with a total approximate retail value of \$5,366.91 CAD. Odds of winning a prize depend upon the number and score of eligible entries received. Correctly answering a time-limited, mathematical skill-testing question required. Open to all legal residents of Canada who are grade 4, 5, and 6 students. Limit one entry per person. For complete contest rules see meaningofhome.ca.

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APS 指导问题:

我是谁?

你是谁?

我们在一起是谁?

APS学校七个价值

公民责任

同理心

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创新

关系

自觉

乐观

Inspire Learning!

Aldergrove Public School 社区通讯

2023 年 11 月 24 日, 第 7 期

来自办公室的消息

过去几周充满了联系的机会。对于员工来说,在家长教师之夜与家庭建立联系并建立伙伴关系是多么愉快的事情。许多教育工作者对于通过家人的视角了解他们的学者是谁感到兴奋。同样,是时候停下来,喘口气,反思一下在学校大楼里持续进行的学习以及个人和协作所经历的许多成功。

我们期待在 11 月 30 日星期四下午 6:30 举行的学校理事会会议上见到您。我们感谢这些机会,让我们能够共同为我们的Aldergrove社区创造愿景。我们将继续建立关系和理解,促进积极的沟通,创造包容性的学习和成长空间。

最后,我们期待 2023 年 12 月 7 日星期四下午 5 点至 8 点举办Aldergrove传统姜饼屋研讨会。这将是学校和家庭聚在一起分享经验的绝佳机会。在[这里](#)购买您的姜饼屋。

非常感谢过去几周持续的合作伙伴关系和对话。我们期待有更多的机会相互联系、共同成长。

Ms. Jessa
校长

Mr. Pamayah
副校长

家庭资源

[学年指南](#)

[黑人卓越中心-十月](#)

[学生心理健康和成瘾通讯 - 十一月](#)

[York Hills 积极育儿研讨会](#)

Aldergrove档案: [过去的社区通讯和学校理事会会议纪要](#)

[万锦公共图书馆](#)

学校时间表

上午 8:15 - 学校工作人员开始外面值班

8:25 - 进校铃响

8:30 - 学校早会和课程开始

10:10 - 课间休息 (30 分钟)

10:40 - 课程继续

12:20 - 午餐 (1小时)

1:20 - 课程继续

3:00 - 放学

安全抵校: 请准时到校。如果您的孩子将迟到或缺席,请通知学校办公室或使用 EDSBY 分享此信息。

到校时间

提醒家人学校于 8:30 开始上课。工作人员监督于8点15分开始。学者们需要在外面正确的入口处等候，直到 8:30 之前被允许进入学校。只有参加早餐计划时，他们才可以在学校内。



Aldergrove家长教师面谈调查

家长教师面谈已于 11 月 16 日星期四和 11 月 17 日星期五进行。我们相信您的家长教师面谈让您有机会讨论您孩子在学校的发展。我们的工作人员感谢您分享的有关您孩子的信息。参加家长教师访谈可以向您的孩子表明您对他们在学校的学习和生活感兴趣。尽管访谈已经结束，但请继续与您孩子的老师讨论您想要讨论的进步和发展领域。

感谢您参与家长老师访谈。请使用[此问卷调查](#)来反映您接受家长教师访谈的经历。您分享的内容将用于为下一学年的规划提供信息。

活跃上下学披萨派对比赛

作为 Active School Travel 计划的一部分，十一月将举办披萨派对竞赛。我们鼓励学生在 11 月份尽可能多地进行可持续上下学方式（步行、骑自行车、乘坐公共汽车），以便有机会赢得披萨派对。为了衡量结果，我们将于 11 月 9 日、16 日和 29 日完成调查。活跃上下学率最高的班级将获得披萨派对奖励。祝大家好运！

资优筛选

一封信已通知家长，内容涉及该过程的日期和步骤。请与办公室联系以获取更多信息。如果您没有收到 3 级学者的最新信息，请联系办公室了解更多信息。

小学牙齿检查计划

约克地区公共卫生部门已恢复学校的牙齿筛查计划。公共卫生工作人员将于 2024 年 1 月 26 日至 29 日开始到访Aldergrove。临近筛查时间，一封信将分发给家庭。



[八年级开放日信息之夜](#)

我们的 YRDSB 高中提供多种课程，包括IB国际文凭和艺术课程。请参阅链接，了解有关我们高中开放日信息之夜的更多信息以及有关[过渡到中学的信息](#)。

学校理事会

请查看今年计划的理事会议日期并将其标记在您的日历上。每次会议均提供儿童看护和语言翻译。

- 11月30日星期四, 第二次家长理事会会议下午 6:30
- 12月7日, 星期四, 姜饼之夜 5:00-8:00 pm
- 2024年1月25日星期四电影之夜
- 2024年2月22日, 星期四, 第三次家长理事会会议
- 3月7日星期四, 家长理事会活动
- 5月9日, 星期四 第四次家长理事会会议
- 4月19日星期五, 员工答谢午宴
- 4月25日, 星期四 暂定活动
- 5月30日星期四最终活动
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您可以在[此处](#)查看过去的学校理事会会议纪要。

寒冷的天气来了!

提醒您, 所有学者都应该到外面休息。请确保您的孩子穿着适合冬季的衣服。如果学生白天弄湿了, 多一套衣服会对他们有帮助。请确保所有衣物都标有您孩子的名字。我们的“失物招领”箱很快就被装满, 也经常无人认领。请确保您的孩子有一双适合上学的室内鞋。



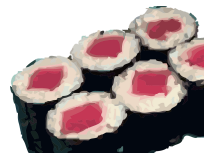
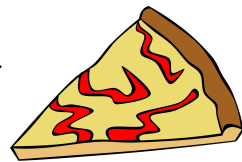
Aldergrove 午餐计划

Aldergrove提供以下午餐计划:

周二: 披萨午餐, 10月17日至1月30日

星期三: 寿司午餐, 10月18日至1月31日

周五: 三明治午餐, 10月27日至1月26日



Boomerang 午餐计划将于 2024 年 1 月开始

运作原理：您孩子点心/午餐中的所有垃圾都将装在午餐袋中带回家。这包括所有包装、未吃的食物和剩菜。

为什么我们需要这个计划：大多数午餐垃圾来自一次性食品、塑料袋和铝箔的一次性包装。据估计，使用一次性午餐的学龄儿童平均每学年会产生 67 磅的午餐浪费！使用可重复使用的容器、保温瓶并携带适量的食物可以让孩子们知道他们可以成为解决垃圾问题的一部分。

好处：Boomerang午餐为您提供有关孩子饮食习惯和喜好的信息。通过把剩菜带回家，你可以看到哪些被吃掉了，哪些没有被吃掉。老师们日复一日地看到大量未吃的食物被扔进垃圾箱。这不仅浪费而且昂贵。我们知道这要求家庭重新考虑食物准备和学生行为，但我们希望能够进行内容丰富的讨论并改变习惯。包装无浪费的午餐不仅有利于环境，还可以带来更健康、更有营养的点心/午餐。您是否知道许多预包装食品含有大量的盐、防腐剂、糖和脂肪？

避免浪费点心/午餐小贴士

1. 使用可重复使用的午餐盒。请避免使用塑料袋或纸袋。
2. 使用可重复使用的容器。请避免使用保鲜膜、箔纸、蜡纸、聚苯乙烯泡沫塑料。
3. 使用可重复使用的饮料瓶或保温瓶。请避免使用一次性果汁盒、袋、罐和塑料水瓶。
4. 使用布餐巾并清洗并重复使用。请避免餐巾纸。
5. 使用银器并清洗并重复使用。请避免使用塑料叉子/刀子。
6. 购买新鲜的水果和蔬菜，并将它们切碎，以便适量寄送。切割和剥皮水果和蔬菜可以让您的孩子在短暂的进食时间内更快、更轻松地进行。
7. 让您的孩子帮忙用健康食品包装零食/午餐。
8. 仅携带孩子能吃的食物。

预告日期

Aldergrove姜饼屋工作室

2023 年 12 月 7 日，星期四

下午 5 点至晚上 8 点

与我们一起构建 + 享受以下活动
脸部彩绘、游戏、照相亭等等！

在这里预订您的时段并以 10 元的价格购买姜饼屋

