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Aldergrove Public School Community Newsletter October 27, 2023, Vol.5

Message from the Office

We have moved through the month of October at a fast pace. It has been encouraging to see scholars interacting with learning around 2SLGBTQI+ History Month and Islamic Heritage Month. We hope that this learning will stay with us throughout the year as we embrace difference, affirm identity and celebrate diversity.

Last night, we welcomed families who are new to the Aldergrove Community. We interacted together, learned about the school and went on a tour led by grade 7 students. We hope that we can continue to welcome our new families in all that we do at Aldergrove.

We celebrated our Walk to School Wednesdays with a community walk this week. We had over 100 participants and students were treated to some free gifts and snacks. It was wonderful to have our Trustee Jenny Chen join us and share some words of inspiration.

On November 6, families of SK to Grade 8 will be invited to book their Parent/Teacher Interview for November 16 & 17. A link will be sent to parent/guardian emails. This meeting is designed to share your child's progress with you so that you understand strengths and next steps. Progress reports will be sent to families electronically just prior to these interviews...

Thank you for your partnership.

Ms. Jessa Mr. Pamayah Principal Vice Principal

November

Albanian Heritage Month HIndu Heritage Month

Please let us know at the office if you can support our efforts to create identity affirming spaces for our scholars.

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

Aldergrove Archives: Past Newsletters and School Council Minutes Markham Public Library

School Schedule

8:15 am - staff on duty outside

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.

Last Call for School Start-Up Forms

At the start of each school year, schools share with families a package of information about the school. Please ensure you review this important information. Families are also encouraged to review the online <u>Guide to the School Year</u> and <u>complete and submit these online School Start-Up Forms</u> through your child's YRDSB Google account. Translations are available.

- You can access your child's YRDSB Google account via a web browser. For best results, use a computer rather than a mobile phone.
- The username is your child's YRDSB Student Number. Your child will receive their login
 information from the school at the start of the year. If you or your child do not know the
 password to log in to their Google account, please contact your child's teacher or the school
 office.
- Frequently asked questions and additional information on how to complete the forms are available on the Board website under <u>Family Resources</u> (click on the "Need Help" link for Family Start-Up Forms.

It is important that these forms are completed as soon as possible at the start of the school year. There are both mandatory and optional forms. Please complete a separate form for each child attending Aldergrove. Your child's school will access the information.

If you prefer to complete the forms on paper or have questions about the information in the forms, please contact the school office.

Grade 8 Fundraising

Our grade 8s will be selling cookies for \$2 next week to help subsidize their graduation costs. We will be encouraging students to make economical choices by only using money they have parental permission to use and limiting purchasing.

School Council Executives - Who am I and What Is My Superpower?

Carol Ye, Co-Treasurer

Mom of 3 kids. I am a little supervisor of the service industry, and my super power is being very helpful, positive and outgoing!

Maxine Knight - Co-Chair

Boy mom. I am a nutritionist, chef and my super power is community engagement!

Prakash Nadesparan, Secretary

Dad of a boy and a girl. I am structural engineer, and my super power is helping the community!

Reena Szeto, Co-Treasurer

Mom of 2 kids. I am an auditor and my super power is organization!

Shahida Fazal, Co-Chair

Mama of two boys. I am a sustainability specialist in the investment industry, and my super power is to help make connections with people and resources!



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, 2023 Thursday, February 22, 2024 Thursday, May 9, 2024

New to Aldergrove Information Session

Last night, the School Council and staff organized an Information night for families who are new to Aldergrove Public School. Families had an opportunity to tour the school, meet other families who are also new to Aldergrove, and meet community organizations who shared resources and information. It was an informative evening with lots of learning and connections made. Our Superintendent, Laura Leesti was in attendance and enjoyed engaging with families.







Bus Loop Safety

We need all drivers using the bus loop to slow down. Please do not park and leave your vehicle in the "Kiss-and-Ride" or Bus Loop as it can be unsafe for arrival and dismissal. There are three lanes in our bus loop. One designated for the drive thru, one for kiss and ride and one for the buses only. When vehicles are left unattended the bus cannot maneuver safely in the bus loop. Please respect this procedure and stay inside your vehicle in the bus loop.



Halloween Tuesday, October 31, 2023

A reminder to parents and students that Halloween is approaching. Halloweeen brings memories of dress-up parades, costume competitions, and classroom parties for some members of our community and carries a very different meaning for others. It is important for us to recognize that not all families celebrate and participate in Halloween. Students are invited to "dress-up" in a costume or dress in autumn colours (e.g., orange) on Tuesday, October 31st. Teachers will be sending home additional information indicating if they have any classroom activities planned. We ask that our Aldergrove families consider the following for Halloween:

- Students may bring their own snacks; or individually wrapped snacks may be given out within the cohort. Nut products are not permitted in school. Please pay close attention when packing lunches with Halloween treats! Please remember to pack lunches that are nut free!
- No Halloween masks are to be worn and students should only use single use make-up (no sharing of make-up).
- Costumes at our school must comply with the Board Policy and must not be disrespectful/offensive to anyone or groups of people. Symbols or objects that represent the cultures or beliefs of others should not be worn as part of a costume.
- No replica weapons of any kind are allowed.

Active School Travel and Walk To School Month



On Wednesday, October 25, our school had a Walk to School Celebration to celebrate Walk to School Month. International Walk to School Month (IWALK) is an annual celebration of active transportation that takes place around the world throughout the month of October. To celebrate we have planned a group walk to school event. Staff from Aldergrove PS and the City of Markham were onsite to greet walkers and provided some fun giveaways! Our local trustee, Jenny Chen, kicked off the event with some words of inspiration and joined our celebration!







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.

Treaty Recognition Week

Did you know that the first week of November is officially Treaties Recognition Week in Ontario? During the week of November 5-11, 2023, we recognize the importance of treaties and bring awareness to the treaty relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in the province. There are 46 treaties in Ontario and we all have a responsibility to honour the treaties.

"Today, some Canadians see treaties as artifacts of another era in their history, with no current relevance. First Nations people view treaties as "living" agreements that respect their status as nations, as recognized in the Royal Proclamation of 1763. They see this as their "inherent right" referred to in Section 35 of the Canadian Constitution."

(Maurice Switzer, "We are all...Treaty People" p.34)

Holocaust Education Week

The week of November 1st to 9th marks the annual Holocaust Education Week (HEW). Learning about the Holocaust in classrooms, schools, and workplaces across the YRDSB is critical to countering antisemitism and other forms of hate. This year's Neuberger Holocaust Education Week theme is The Future Is Here. The Holocaust was the systemic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of six million Jewish people by the Nazi regime and its allies, and it's critical that we not allow this cruel chapter of modern history to fade from memory. During Holocaust Education Week, we also want to acknowledge that people of colour, the Romas, people with physical disabilities, and those who identify as 2SLGBTQI+, among others, were targeted and murdered by the Nazis. As one means of working towards a world free of intolerance, racism, discrimination, and hatred, educators are encouraged to discuss the Holocaust and the many people who put their lives on the line in the face of antisemitism and other forms of hate.

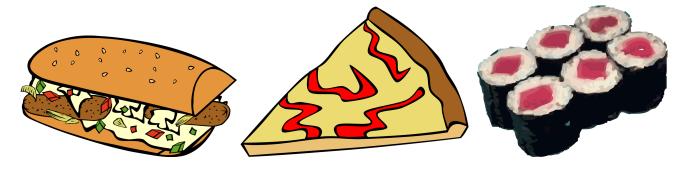
Aldergrove Lunch Programs

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.

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to Aldergrove from Monday, November 13 - Friday, November 17, 2023

Parents can come to the book fair all week from 3-4pm





November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Day 4 All Saints' Day Gr.8 visit MMHS Gr.7/8 Immunizations UHS Arts Info Night Walk to School Wednesdays	2 Day 5 Easy Eats Virtual 7pm	3 Day 1 Sub Day ✓	4
5	6 Day 2	7 Day 3 Pizza Day 🍕	8 Day 4 Sushi Day Walk to School Wednesdays	9 Day 5	10 Day 1 Sub Day 🥪	11 Remembrance Day
12 Diwali	13 Day 2 Book Fair	14 Day 3 Pizza Day 🍕 Book Fair	15 Day 4 Sushi Day Book Fair Walk to School Wednesdays	16 Day 5 Parent Teacher Interviews Start Book Fair	17 PA Day No School Parent Teacher Interviews Continue	18
19	20 Day 1	21 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍕	22 Day 3 Sushi Day Walk to School Wednesdays	23 Day 4	24 Day 5 Sub Day 🥪	25
26	27 Day 1 Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Ji	28 Day 2 Pizza Day 🍕	29 Day 3 Sushi Day Walk to School Wednesdays	30 Day 4		

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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





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.



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



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



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 entry person. For complete contest rules see meaningofhome.ca.

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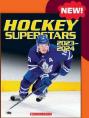
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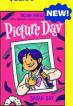
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APS 指导问题: 我是谁? 你是谁? 我们在一起是谁?

APS学校七个价值 公民责任 同理心

包容

创新 关系

自觉

乐观



Aldergrove Public School 社区通讯 2023 年 10 月 27 日, 第 5 期

来自办公室的消息

我们的十月很快就过去了。看到学者们围绕 2SLGBTQI+ 历史月和伊斯兰遗产月进行互动学习,令人鼓舞。 我们希望,在我们拥抱差异、肯定身份和庆祝 多样性的过程中,这种学习将伴随我们一整年。

昨晚,我们欢迎新来到Aldergrove社区的家庭。 我们一起互动,了解学校,并在七年级学生的带领下参观了学校。 我们希望我们能够在Aldergrove所做的一切中继续欢迎我们的新家庭。

本周我们通过社区步行来庆祝周三步行上学。 我们有 100 多名参与者,学生 们获得了一些免费礼物和点心。 很高兴我们的教育委员陈珍妮加入我们并分 享一些鼓舞人心的话语。

11 月 6 日,SK 至 8 年级的家庭将受邀预订 11 月 16 日和 17 日的家长/老师面谈。链接将发送到家长/监护人的电子邮件中。 这次会议旨在与您分享您孩子的进步,以便您了解孩子的优势和后续步骤。 进度报告将在这些访谈之前以电子方式发送给家庭。

感谢您的合作。

Ms. Jessa

校长

Mr. Pamayah 副校长

> 十月 阿尔巴尼亚遗产月 印度教遗产月

如果您可以支持我们为学者创造身份确认空间的努力,请连系办公室。

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 - 十月

York Hills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 - 讲校铃响

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。

最后通知-学校开学表格

每个学年开始时,学校都会与家庭分享有关学校的一些信息。 请确保您查看此重要信息。 还鼓励家庭查看在学年指南。

我们还要求家人填写一些重要的表格。 这些表格现在可以在网上获取。 请通过您孩子的 YRDSB Google 帐户填写并提交这些在线学校开学表格。 提供翻译。

- 您可以通过网络浏览器访问您孩子的 YRDSB Google 帐户。 为了获得最佳效果,请使用电脑而不 是手机。
- 用户名是您孩子的 YRDSB 学生编号。 您的孩子将在年初收到学校发来的登录信息。 如果您或您的孩子不知道登录其 Google 帐户的密码,请联系您孩子的老师或学校办公室。
- 有关<u>如何填写表格</u>的常见问题和其它信息,请访问教育局网站的"<u>家庭资源</u>"(点击"家庭开学表格"的"需要帮助"链接)。

重要的是,这些表格应在学年开始时尽快填写。 有俩份是必须填交的表格及其它可选择的表格。 请为每个就读Aldergrove的孩子单独填写一份表格。 以便学校可以得到您孩子的信息。

如果您更喜欢填写纸质表格或对表格中的信息有疑问,请联系学校办公室。

8年级筹款

我们的 8 年级学生下周将以 2 元的价格出售饼干,以帮助补贴他们的毕业费用。 我们将鼓励学生做出 经济的选择,仅使用父母允许使用的资金并限制购买。

学校理事会行政人员 - 我是谁,我的超能力是什么?

Carol Ye, 联合财务主管

3个孩子的妈妈。 我是一名服务行业的小主管,我的超能力就是乐于助人、积极向上、外向!

Maxine Knight - 联合主席

男孩妈妈。 我是一名营养师、厨师,我的超能力是社区参与!

Prakash Nadesparan, 秘书

一个男孩和一个女孩的爸爸。 我是结构工程师,我的超能力就是帮助社区!

Reena Szeto,联合财务主管

2个孩子的妈妈。 我是一名审计员,我的超能力是组织!

Shahida Fazal,联合主席

两个男孩的妈妈。 我是投资行业的可持续发展专家,我的超能力是帮助与人和资源建立联系!



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。

2023 年 11 月 30 日,星期四 2024 年 2 月 22 日,星期四 2024 年 5 月 9 日,星期四

Aldergrove 新家庭说明会

昨晚,学校理事会和工作人员为Aldergrove学校的新家庭组织了一次信息之夜。 家庭有机会参观学校,与同样刚来到Aldergrove的其他家庭见面,并与共享资源和信息的社区组织见面。 这是一个内容丰富的夜晚,我们学到了很多知识,也建立了联系。 我们的教育局总监 Laura Leesti 亦出席了活动,并很高兴与家人互动。







校车环线安全

我们需要所有使用学校前环路的司机减速。 请不要将您的车辆停放在"上下车接送区"或校巴环路中,因为对上下车时的学生可能不安全。 我们的学校环路共有三个车道。 一种指定用于驾车直行用,一种用于上下车接送区,一种仅给校车始用。 当车辆无人看管时,校车无法在校车环路中安全行驶。 请遵守此规责并留在车内如驾驶在环路上。



校万圣节 2023 年 10 月 31 日星期二

谨此提醒家长和学生,万圣节即将来临。 万圣节给我们社区的一些成员带来了装扮游行、服装比赛和课堂派对的回忆,但对其他人来说却有着截然不同的意义。 对我们来说,重要的是要认识到并非所有家庭都会庆祝和参与万圣节。 学生们被邀请在 10 月 31 日星期二"装扮"成秋季颜色(例如橙色)的服装或连衣裙。 教师将向家里发送更多信息,表明他们是否计划了任何课堂活动。

我们要求Aldergrove家庭在万圣节考虑以下事项:

- 学生可自带点心; 或者可以在班级中分发单独包装的零食。 学校不允许食用坚果产品。 携带万圣节零食午餐时请务必注意! 请记得携带不含坚果的午餐!
- 不得佩戴万圣节面具,学生只能使用一次性化妆品(不得共用化妆品)。
- 我们学校的服装必须符合教育局政策,并且不得不尊重/冒犯任何人或人群。 代表他人文化或信仰的符号或物体不应作为服装的一部分佩戴。
- 不允许使用任何类型的仿制武器。

积极上下学和步行上学月



10 月 25 日星期三,我们学校举行了步行上学庆祝活动,以庆祝步行上学月。 国际步行上学月(IWALK)是一年一度的活跃交通庆祝活动,整个 10 月份在世界各地举行。 为了庆祝,我们计划了一次集体步行上学活动。 来自 Aldergrove PS 和万锦市的工作人员在现场迎接步行者,并提供了一些有趣的赠品! 我们当地的教育委员 Jenny Chen 用一些鼓舞人心的话语拉开了活动的序幕,并加入了我们的庆祝活动!







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<u>过渡到中学的信息</u>。

条约认可周

您是否知道 11 月的第一周是安大略省正式的条约认可周? 在 2023 年 11 月 5 日至 11 日这一周,我们认识到条约的重要性,并提高对该省原住民和非原住民之间条约关系的认识。 安大略省有 46 项条约,我们都有责任遵守这些条约。

"如今,一些加拿大人将条约视为其历史上另一个时代的产物,与当前无关。 原住民将条约视为"现有的"协议,尊重他们作为民族的地位,正如 1763 年皇家公告所承认的那样。他们认为这是加拿大宪法第 35 条中提到的他们的"固有权利"。

(莫里斯·斯威策 (Maurice Switzer), "我们都是……条约人", 第 34 页)

大屠杀教育周

11 月 1 日至 9 日这一周是一年一度的大屠杀教育周(HEW)。 在整个 YRDSB 的教室、学校和工作场所了解大屠杀对于打击反犹太主义和其他形式的仇恨至关重要。 今年Neuberger大屠杀教育周的主题是"未来就在这里"。 大屠杀是纳粹政权及其盟友对 600 万犹太人进行的系统性、国家支持的迫害和谋杀,至关重要的是,我们不能让现代历史的这一残酷篇章从记忆中消失。 在大屠杀教育周期间,我们还想认识到,有色人种、罗姆人、身体残疾人以及 2SLGBTQI+等人都成为纳粹的目标和谋杀对象。 作为努力建设一个没有不容忍、种族主义、歧视和仇恨的世界的一种手段,我们鼓励教育工作者讨论大屠杀以及许多在反犹太主义和其他形式的仇恨面前冒着生命危险的人。

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