

E BULLETIN - AURORA HEIGHTS PS SCHOOL SCOOP - November 1, 2021

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DATE/DATE	EVENT	UPCOMING EVENTS
Monday November 1 Day 2	EDSBY Parent-Teacher Interview Schedules open to families to book interview times	November 9, 10, 11 - Vivian Outdoor Education Programs (grades 2&4) November 11 - Remembrance Day November 22 - Picture Day
Tuesday November 2 Day 3		
Wednesday November 3 Day 4		
Thursday November 4 Day 5		
Friday November 5 Day 1		

NEW INFORMATION AND UPDATES

Leaving School Property for Lunch (grades 6, 7 & 8 students): It has come to our attention that a number of students are leaving school property at lunch without consent. In order to ensure student safety and be accountable for their whereabouts, please be advised that until further notice, <u>students may only leave school property at lunch on Fridays</u>. <u>Students who wish to leave for lunch on Fridays must sign out at the office.</u> If you would like your child to leave over the lunch hour from Monday through Thursdays, they must be signed out by a parent/guardian at the school office.

Parent-Teacher Interview Schedules: If you wish to book an interview time with your child's/ren's teacher(s)/educator(s), please log into your EDSBY account on Monday (November 1st) after 9am. You will see a notification to book your appointment(s). For further information on how to sign up for an interview slot, please click here.

YRDSB Specialized Arts Program: Please click <u>here</u> for information regarding Secondary ARTS School Programs, Information Nights, and how to apply.

Holocaust Education Week: The week of November 1st to 7th marks annual Holocaust Education Week (HEW). This year's theme is olocaust Distortion, Myths and Misinformation: Dispel the myths and misinformation that fuel antisemitism and hatred. 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 this week we also want to acknowledge that people of colour, the Romas, people with physical disabilities, and those who identify as LGBTQ+, among others, were targeted and murdered by the Nazis. As one means of working towards a world free of intolerance, racism and hatred, we encourage educators to discuss the Holocaust, as well as the many people who literally put their lives on the line in the face of antisemitism and other forms of hate.

Treaties Recognition Week: During the week of November 1-7, 2021, we recognize the importance of treaties and bring awareness to the treaty relationships between Indigenous and non -Indegenous people in the province. There are 46 treaties in Ontario and we all have a responsibility to honour the treaties.

INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THE SCHOOL SCOOP

School Photos: York Region Public Health is now allowing individual student photographs (no class/group photos). We have secured the date of Monday, November 22nd for our photos. At this time, we are awaiting further information regarding options for our remote learners.

Renewed Computer Technology: As part of a partnership between YRDSB and Renewed Computer Technology (RCT), families with children enrolled in our Board have the opportunity to purchase quality refurbished computers at a reduced cost. Applicants must live in Ontario, have a student enrolled at the school and either receive government assistance payments or qualify as a limited income earner under the limited income cut-off standards*. Please click here for more information.

Remembrance Day: In preparation for our Remembrance Day assembly, who are reaching out to families to ask if anyone might be able to share photographs of family members who have served our country. If you are able to help, please email scanned photos to aurora.heights.ps@yrdsb.ca. Thank you for your support!

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of York: Big Brothers Big Sisters of York (BBBSY) is offering free virtual group mentoring programs designed to empower youth while keeping them connected to their peers. Please see information about each program with links to register your child by clicking here. If requested, participants may be placed in groups with classmates or friends. If you have any questions, please contact Sara Congiusti at Sara.Congiusti@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca.

FlipGive Fundraising: This season, fundraising for Aurora Heights P.S. is going to be so much easier with FlipGive, a free school fundraising app. We earn cash back on every purchase we make all year long! All you have to do is shop anytime with the brands you already love, like Home Depot, Walmart, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso, and Loblaws. No more going door-to-door selling chocolate bars. This is completely virtual and contactless. Join our school now and you'll get a \$5 bonus for the first time you shop: https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=VDHLBM, you can also use code: VDHLBM. Please see attached flyer for further details.

