



This weekCobra Communicator

'We are a village, growing together

March 22, 2024.

Hello Cornell Village Families,

We welcomed the start of spring this week, despite the return of winter weather. Please remember to send layers of clothing so our students are prepared for the changing conditions.

We have many activities happening around the school. Students are having fun at choir, knitting and crocheting club, origami club, Pokemon club, eco-team, art journaling club, basketball, floor hockey, badminton, student council and chess club. Sewing club will be starting soon! Anime and Coding club for grades 7&8 will also be starting next week!

We have many exciting events planned for the remainder of the year! Be sure to mark your calendars for Wonka the Musical, Spring Concerts, and the Fun Fair!

As always, please reach out if we can help with anything at all!

Sincerely,

Heather Purcell
Principal
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Joanne Trim
Vice Principal
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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
March 25	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7/8 orchestra-lunch recess Junior Girls' Basketball-1:10 p.m. Anime Dance Club- grades 7/8 Student Mental health Team- a.m. recess Student Council-lunch recess EARTH HOUR- 2-3 p.m. Pizza lunch- for those who ordered
March 26	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Junior Boys' Basketball- 8:00 a.m. Wonka Musical Rehearsal- 1:10 p.m Chess Club - am recess - library Origami Club- grade 4 and 5 a.m. recess Floor Hockey- intramurals- a.m. recess Eco-Team Meeting-snack recess Intermediate Basketball- intramurals - a.m. recess Swiss Chalet lunch- for those who ordered
March 27	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PLAY leaders with grade 2s- snack recess Junior boys basketball- a.m. recess Primary Choir-lunch recess POKEMON CLUB- snack recess Junior Girls' Basketball game -@CVPS after school Sub sandwiches - for those who ordered
March 28	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eco-team Meeting-snack recess Junior girls' basketball- 1:10 p.m. Wonka rehearsal-snack recess Knitting and Crocheting Club-snack recess LEARN to PLAY CHESS- snack recess - grades 3-5
March 29	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GOOD FRIDAY

Mark your calendars:

April 8	Early dismissal at 12:30	June 5-6	Grade 8 Trip
April 11	Youth SPACE workshop	June 12	SODA Track & Activities Meet
April 15	School Council	June 12	Fun Fair
April 17	Boys' Junior Basketball areas-CVPS	June 19	Amaya James- author visit
April 22-26	Pause to Play	June 19	Track & Field Regional Meet
April 24	Wonka Musical	June 20	Grade 8 Graduation-CVPS
May 1	Welcome to Kindergarten Evening		
May 6	School Council		
May 7	Junior-Intermediate Strings Showcase and Art Nights		
May 8	Kindergarten/Primary concert		
May 15	7&8 Immunizations		

Attachments for this week:

SEVA-Sikh Student Association-Launch-Flyer



Summer Institute Registration

Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8? Summer Institute offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum.



The program runs for six weeks during July and August. It is offered at nine school sites around York Region.

For more information on dates, programs and locations, please visit the [Summer Institute webpage](#).

Registration opens March 27, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Families can register online.



Class Placement for the 2023-2024 School Year

As we organize for next year, our staff will make every effort to place students in the best learning environment for each child to be successful. We take into account Ministry and Board guidelines, individual needs, academic achievement, emotional and social development, behaviours, Multi Language Learners and Special Education needs, and work habits. We appreciate that parents/guardians have valuable information to share with us in this regard. If you have information or suggestions, which will assist us in making appropriate placement, **please write a brief note to Heather Purcell by Friday, May 3, 2024** : heather.purcell@yrdsb.ca. Please put **CLASS PLACEMENT INPUT** in the subject line of the email. Rather than suggesting a teacher, please indicate the learning style or classroom structure which you feel would be the most appropriate for your child's success. When teachers along with school administration get together to create new class lists, we will use this information to help make our final decisions.

Supports for Students with Autism and their Families

This session will support parents, guardians and families with:

- Understanding Autism
- Process for diagnosis
- YRDSB referral process
- School supports
- Community resources

Date: Wednesday, May 1, 2024

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: **Unionville High School, 201 Town Centre Blvd, Markham, ON L3R 8G5**

Please **register** by Apr. 28, 2024.

This free information session is organized by Inclusive School and Community Services in partnership with Student Services of York Region District School Board. For more information, please email shani.blake@yrdsb.ca or pauline.guo@yrdsb.ca

Please note that Childcare will not be provided.



Hello Families!

The Willy Wonka Kids cast has been busy rehearsing on stage! We are 5 weeks away from our show and we are so excited to perform for you!! Tickets will go on sale on School Cash online in a couple weeks. We will be giving an evening performance here at CVPS on Wednesday, April 24th at 7:00pm.

Also, save the date for our CVPS Spring Concert Series! Our theme this year is Music From Movies! The Junior/Intermediate String Showcase and Art Gallery Show will take place Tuesday, May 7th at 6:30pm. It will feature ukulele and orchestra classes from grades 4-8 (not including the 3/4 split class.) Your ticket includes entry to the art gallery as well as the concert. More details to come soon!

Then, on Wednesday, May 8th, our Kindergarten classes will take the stage at 5:30pm. Our Primary Concert will follow that same night beginning at 6:45pm. This Primary Concert will feature all grade 1 - 3 classes - including our grade ³/₄ split class.

Ticket info will follow soon. We look forward to sharing our many talents with you as we bring music from movies to the live stage!

**CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL
PRESENTS**

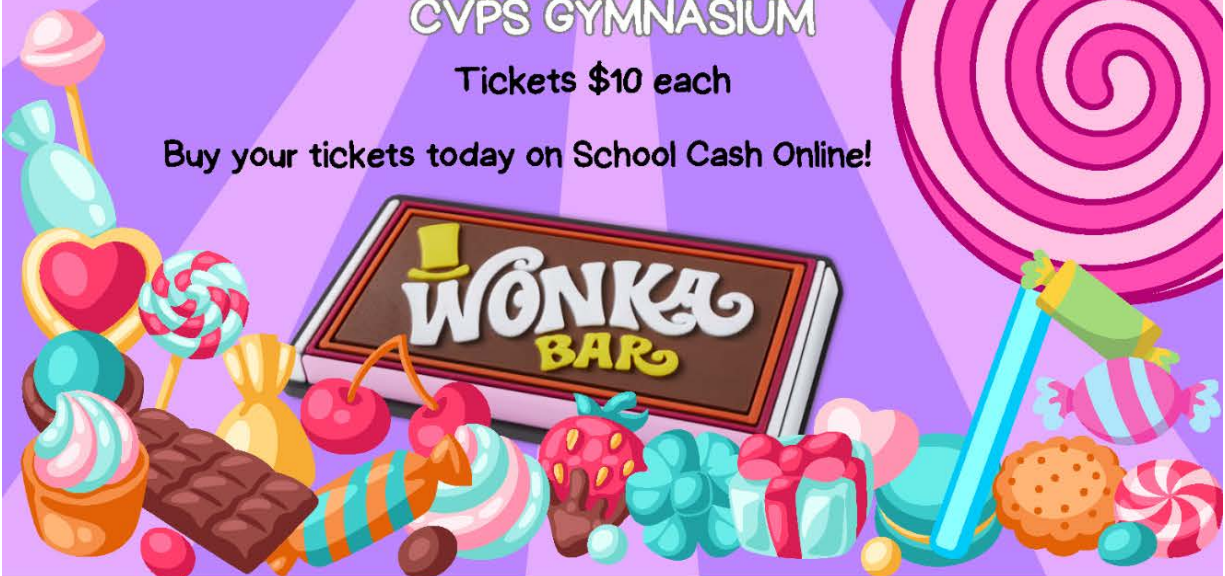


**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024
7:00PM**

CVPS GYMNASIUM

Tickets \$10 each

Buy your tickets today on School Cash Online!



Coming soon...
WONKA



CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

NOW SHOWING

STRING
SHOWCASE 

*Tickets \$3 each
School Cash Online*

TUESDAY, MAY 7TH, 2024 @ 6:30PM

FEATURING GRADES 4-8



**CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL
PRESENTS**

**MUSIC
FROM
THE MOVIES**

Wednesday, May 8th, 2024

6:45pm

**BUY YOUR TICKETS
TODAY ON SCHOOL CASH
ONLINE - \$3 EACH**

FEATURING GRADES 1 - 3/4



**NOW
SHOWING**

**KINDERGARTEN
CONCERT**



WEDNESDAY, MAY 8TH, 2024

@ 5:30pm

A CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL PRODUCTION

CVPS GYMNASIUM

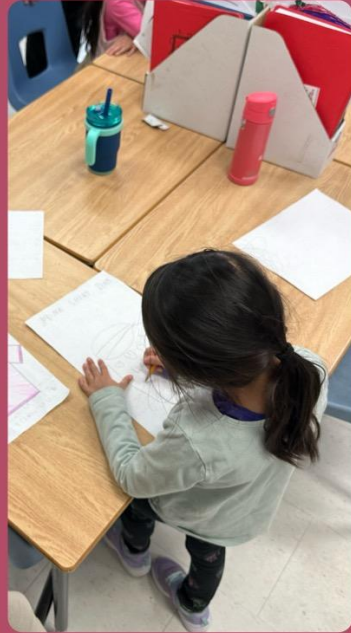
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SCHOOL CASH ONLINE





Ramadan

Mubarak



LEARNING BUDDIES

Grade 6 & 1/2

PIC•COLLAGE





KNITTING & CROCHETING CLUB

PIC•COLLAGE



Are You Moving?

If you are planning on moving or have moved, please be sure to contact the office so we have your updated information. If you are no longer in our area, you will need to register in the school closest to your home. If you have moved out of the area and hope to stay here, a transfer application must be completed.

Ramadan

During Lunch, as an option for Muslim students, a quiet, comfortable space away from food sources for students who are fasting will be provided. At CVPS, our students are invited to use the art room, room 224. We have a designated prayer room as well.

If there are religious accommodations that your child needs, please fill in the Request for Faith Accommodations form.

[FOR-ReligiousAccommodationsRequest.pdf](#)

Indoor Shoes



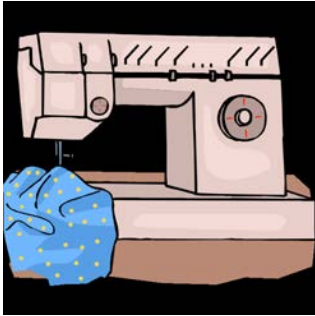
We ask that every student have a pair of shoes they wear outdoors and one pair they use indoors. This helps to keep the floors safe for walking inside the school.



Walking and Wheeling to School

We strongly encourage all of our students who are not on the bus to walk or wheel to school. Walking or wheeling to school allows you to get exercise and fresh air before starting the school day. We even have bike racks for your use!

Sewing Club is Coming Back!



Come join us for SEW much fun!

Sewing sign-up has begun this week outside of Room 116.

We will have a primary and junior/intermediate club again. Sessions will be after school in the library. There will be a small fee for materials.

Donations Accepted:

Materials:

- Fleece
- 100% cotton, cotton-flannel
- Good quality thread (Guterman)
- Iron**
- Portable ironing board**
- Fabric scissors
- Ribbon
- Zippers (14") or longer

Please note we have 5 sewing machines at the school so we may have to divide the groups into different sessions depending on numbers. Returning members will have an opportunity to try new projects out. New members will learn the basics of operating the sewing machine and create some exciting projects TBD.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions:

Ms. Schmidt

Kindergarten Registration for September is Now Open!

Children born in 2020 are eligible for kindergarten in September. Please visit the [YRDSB Kindergarten page](#) for information about how to register.

Welcome to Kindergarten Night is on May 1st at 6:30 p.m.

📄 Camp Black Brilliance 2024 - Flyer - JK/SK Entering School September 2024

FUNDRAISER

Here's how you can purchase **Mabel's Labels** and also help raise funds for our school:

1. Visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for the school's name.
2. It should come up as Cornell Village Public School (MARKHAM).
3. Choose the product(s) you wish to purchase.
4. Personalize and add to cart!

mabel's labels.



Please remind your children that students should not be sharing snacks or lunches. We have many students with allergies and food sensitivities. Please speak to your children at home and ask them not to offer or ask for food from others. If students are in need of snacks, we have many healthy options available in our Healthy Snack Programme bins.



YRDSB Arts Camp 2024

CAMPERS

CAMP DATES: SATURDAY, MAY 25TH
TO SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2024.

Learners & Lovers of the Arts 🔍

APPLY NOW!



Arts Camp 2024 is now
accepting applications
for CAMPERS!!

Link to information package and
application form can be found at:
<https://bit.ly/YRDSBArtsCampPage>

Canadian Tire Grant- See link below

(for Students in need of financial support for sports)



To be eligible for funding for one or more children, families must first meet specific financial criteria as per Revenue Canada's Low-Income Cut-Offs (LICO) chart. Jumpstart uses the furthest column to the right of the chart for eligibility.

Other Funding Requirements

- Children must fall between the ages of 4 - 18 years old.
- Funding is allocated to sustained programs that involve a sport or physical activity.
- Programs should be a minimum of five weeks in duration and include at least one session per week. In the case of sports camps, the program must last at least five consecutive days for consideration.

<https://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/pages/individual-child-grant>

CVPS is Eco-friendly!

CVPS is working towards achieving an Ecoschool certification this year! Here is an update on our current initiatives:

1. **Battery collection pails** have been placed in the "front" area by the office main entrance and the library. Students can begin bringing in batteries. It is important to tape the 9V battery terminals to avoid fires.
2. **Snack pouch collection** bin is also in front of the library where ALL brands are being collected.
3. **Writing Instrument Recycling Program**

What writing instruments are accepted through this recycling program?

All brands of pens and pen caps, mechanical pencils, markers and marker caps, highlighters and highlighter caps, permanent markers and permanent marker caps



Worth Repeating:



Cornell Village P.S. is a walking community. Most students live within walking distance to the school. We strongly encourage all students/families to walk to school when possible. If you must drive, please exercise caution in the school zone. If you are using the Kiss and Ride area, please drive slowly! Be sure to watch for pedestrians and drop off your children on the curb side only. Please only park in designated areas and avoid blocking the flow of traffic.

Donations to Cornell Village P.S.

This year many of our students have benefited from the generous donations of others in our community. We have had families donate to our lunch programmes. We have another session starting in the new year. If you would like to make a donation to help pay for some student lunches, please email heather.purcell@yrdsb.ca or joanne.trim@yrdsb.ca. Your support is appreciated! Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to our school. If you are able, we are currently asking for donations to support many of our school initiatives including:

- **Technology:** The school continues to work towards a goal of providing technology devices for each child, starting in Grade 1. Currently there are enough devices in the school for most students to have their own device but we are currently short due to our growing population. Many devices had to be retired earlier this year, as they were obsolete and no longer functional.
- **Arts Enhancement:** Last year, we were able to purchase 90 ukuleles. We would like to continue to enhance our arts and music programs as we look for new ways for our students to enjoy the Arts.
- **Miscellaneous items:** Provide support for school clubs, academic needs, speakers, outdoor equipment and special events.

Donations can be made by clicking on the Donate button on School Cash Online or by sending a cheque made out to Cornell Village Public School. Charitable donation receipts can be emailed to you directly for any amount \$20 or greater. Your donation will go towards all three areas of need.

Prayer Spaces

We have a designated space in the school available for students and staff who wish to pray during the day. Please let your child's teacher know if they need help finding and accessing the prayer room. The room is located beside room 201.

Kiss and Ride Safety

The entry bell rings at 8:45 a.m. Students must make every effort to be in school by 9:00 a.m. to ensure “on time” arrival in class. During the early entry time, students may enter the school hallways to unpack their bags and prepare for class. In the interest of safety, it is suggested that students who walk to school should arrive after 8:45 a.m. **when the school is supervised.** Parents who pick up their child after school need to arrive promptly.

Supervising staff are on duty in the hallways 15 minutes before the start of first period classes at 9:00 a.m.

NOTE: Supervision is not available after school. Staff are on duty at the end of the day to assist with bus loading and the safe exit of the building.



Screening Tool

If anyone in your family is feeling ill or showing symptoms such as a fever, cough, runny nose etc, please ensure that you make use of the [screening tool](#) for the 2023-2024 school year and follow the guidance given. This tool has been updated to reflect new protocols and guidelines.

Any students who are experiencing symptoms consistent with COVID-19 as identified in the screening tool (not related to a COVID-19 vaccine) or answer yes to any of the screening questions, must not enter any school and follow the guidance in the screening tool.

Students, staff members and school visitors are not 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. Hand hygiene and cleaning and disinfection protocols will continue.

EDSBY SIGN UP

This platform will be required to report absences, book appointments and may be used as a communication tool with your child’s teachers. For Edsby to be effective, it contains personal information about you and your family that is collected by the Board at registration. This information is used to provide services and support to you and your family. Edsby is a secure system that keeps your details and information safe and secure.

You will be receiving an invitation to EDSBY if you are new to the school, or you have not yet signed up. Please visit [this link](#) for online resources to help you register and use EDSBY.

Reporting Student Absences and Lates

We are pleased to let you know that we have a telephone attendance reporting system. This is in addition to online absence reporting through Edsby.

Regular and punctual attendance affects school success and is expected of all students. You are responsible for notifying the school before the bell time if your child will be absent or late. We have a safe arrivals program so that we can account for the whereabouts of absent students if the absence has not been reported prior to bell time.

To enhance our safe arrivals system, this new telephone system will reduce the time it takes to verify student attendance. It will also confirm student absences that have not been verified by automatically calling you.

If your child is going to be absent or late, please let us know before bell time by: 8:50 a.m.

1. **Logging in to Edsby and using the “Report an Absence” feature.** For more information on reporting your child’s attendance through Edsby, please see the [online video tutorial to learn more \(bit.ly/edsbyabsence\)](https://bit.ly/edsbyabsence).

*** If you are going on an extended vacation, please enter this on Edsby**

2. **Calling the school's main phone line at 905 471-1694 and select the option “To report a student absence or late.”**

Long-term absences or absences beyond the following day can be reported through the new telephone absence reporting system, Edsby or by contacting the school. If your child will miss more than 5 consecutive days of school, you must complete the Request for Vacation Form available through the school.

Thank you for your cooperation as we continue to ensure the safety of our students. Please feel free to contact us with any further questions.