



Cobra Communicator

We are a village, growing together

May 3, 2024.

Hello Families!

Next week, we have our Arts Events! On Tuesday, we have our **Arts Exhibition** followed by our **Junior-Intermediate Strings Showcase**. On Wednesday, we have our **Kindergarten Concert** followed by our Primary- grade 1-3 (including the 3/4), ***Music from the Movies concert!*** We hope you will join us in celebrating the artistic and musical talents of our CVPS students. Tickets are on sale for \$3.00 each, on School Cash On-line. See you there!

Next week is **Children's Mental Health Awareness Week**. We will have announcements, events and activities led by our amazing student Mental Health team. Please see the calendar below for the plan for the week.

Yearbooks go on sale starting today! You will not want to miss this opportunity to capture the amazing 2023-2024 school year! Each class will have many photos in the yearbook. As well, all of the clubs, activities, sports and shows are included. It is an excellent quality yearbook that your child will treasure for years to come! Please see the flyer included below. The opportunity to purchase the yearbook is up on School Cash On-line now. Get yours today!

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

Sincerely,

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Upcoming Events:

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| Date | Day | What's Happening at School? |
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| Monday, May 6 | 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pizza lunch- new session begins knitting and crocheting club- snack recess Grade 7/8 Orchestra -lunch recess Sewing Club- after school Badminton Team -after school Swim to Survive- grade 3s Children's Mental Health Awareness week |
| Tuesday, May 7 | 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swiss Chalet lunch- new session begins Coding club - am recess Presentation Club- am recess Arts Exhibition 5:30-6:30 p.m. Strings Showcase 6:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday May 8 | 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Subway lunch-new session begins Anime Dance Club - am recess Student Mental Health Team- am recess Primary Choir - lunch recess Kindergarten Concert - 5:30 p.m. Music From the Movies grades 1-3/4 6:45 p.m. |
| Thursday, May 9 | 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chess Club - am recess - library Origami Club (gr. 4 & 5) - am recess Sewing Club- after school |
| Friday, May 10 | 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hero Burger lunch-new session begins JERSEY DAY- wear your favourite jersey Eco Club - am recess Pokemon Club - am recess Snack Shack - lunch KARATE- free trial session- lunch recess Badminton team - Area Meet MDHS |

Mark your calendars:

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| May 13 | School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. | June 4 | kindergarten visits-new students |
| May 14 | Learning About Mental Health Workshop- Grades 2 and 3 | June 5-6 | Grade 8 Trip |
| May 15 | Grade 7&8 Immunizations | June 12 | SODA Track & Activities Meet |
| May 27-31 | National Accessibilities Week | June 12 | Fun Fair 4:00-7:00 pm |
| May 27-32 | Bike to School Week | June 14 | Indigenous Recognition and celebration- assembly |
| | | June 19 | Amaya James- author visit |
| | | June 19 | Track & Field Regional Meet |
| | | June 20 | Grade 8 Graduation-CVPS |

Attachments for this week:

Approved Elementary 2024-2025 updated Feb 2024.pdf

[Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - May 2024](#)

Cornell Village P.S_Northern Karate.pdf

Love Gelato Fundraiser.pdf

CVPS 2023-2024 year book.pdf

Chapel Place Sports Camp.pdf

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

MAY 6-10

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| MINDFULNESS MONDAY MAY 6 FOCUS: Check out "Be Here Be You" WHO?: Each class can go for a walk TIME: Students ACTIVITY: Morning announcements 9:00am /EVENT: Guided Meditation | THOUGHTFUL TUESDAY MAY 7 FOCUS: Colouring WHO?: Students TIME: All Day ACTIVITY: Collaborative Mural /EVENT: Main hallway near front door | WELLNESS WEDNESDAY MAY 8 FOCUS: Chalk Walk WHO?: Sakshi, Claire, Imaan, Abby, Skye, Kat TIME: 10:40am - all day ACTIVITY: Kids go and follow the walk /EVENT: outside during recesses or with classes |
| TAKE CARE THURSDAY MAY 9 FOCUS: Story Time WHO?: Student Mental Health Team TIME: go to primary classes. 9am ACTIVITY: Lunch Extended recess until /EVENT: 2:20 | FOCUS FRIDAY MAY 10 FOCUS: Focus & Movement Ms. Balkos WHO?: K-3 2:30- 3:00 TIME: 4-8 3:00-3:30 ACTIVITY: Staff & Student Treats /EVENT: YOGA/DPA in gym | NOTES |

Asian and South Asian Heritage Month

The YRDSB takes pride in recognizing Asian and South Asian Heritage month. This month provides a vital opportunity to explore, understand and affirm the rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories of Canadians of Asian and South Asian descent. The Government of Canada officially declared May as [Asian Heritage Month in 2002](#), while the Legislative Assembly of Ontario designated May as [South Asian Heritage Month in 2001](#) and [Asian Heritage Month in 2005](#).

Throughout this month, communities across York Region and across Canada will be coming together in solidarity to appreciate the vibrant and significant heritages of Canadians of the Asian and South Asian diasporas. As part of an unwavering commitment to creating inclusive learning and working environments, throughout the year, it is important to design meaningful opportunities to learn more about the social, ethnic, cultural and religious diversity and histories of Canadians of Asian descent and honour their ongoing contributions to Canada.

Canadian Jewish Heritage Month

[Canadian Jewish Heritage Month](#) was given Royal Assent in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario (Jewish Heritage Month Act, 2012, S.O. 2012, c. 1 - Bill 17) on April 24, 2012, and in the Senate of Canada on March 29, 2018. As we approach the month of May, staff and students are encouraged to engage in opportunities that celebrate and affirm Jewish histories and the achievements of the Jewish community.

Canada is home to the fourth largest Jewish population in the world. There are close to 400,000 Jewish residents in Canada, and almost half of that number reside in Ontario. Jewish immigrants in Canada can be traced as far back as 1760. Jewish Canadians have proudly contributed to Canadian heritage in all of its facets including the military, the arts, government, business, academia, law, medicine, culture, and sports. Throughout the month of May, we celebrate the contributions Jewish Canadians make in communities across the country.

Gaga Ball Fun



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NORTHERN KARATE MARKHAM'S

SCHOOL KARATE PROGRAM

DURING LUNCH RECESS

is coming to:

CORNELL VILLAGE P.S.



FRIDAYS: MAY 17, 24, 31, JUNE 14, 21
12:40 - 1:20



COST: \$49 PLUS TAX

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CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

**ART
EXHIBITION**

Tuesday, May 7th, 2024

5:30-6:30 PM

(String Showcase to follow)

FREE ADMISSION
WITH YOUR
CONCERT TICKET!

FOR
PARTICIPATING
STUDENTS IN
GR. 4-8

CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL

NOW SHOWING

**STRING
SHOWCASE** 

*Tickets \$3 each
School Cash Online*

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

FEATURING GRADES 4-8



**NOW
SHOWING**

**KINDERGARTEN
CONCERT**



WEDNESDAY, MAY 8TH, 2024

@ 5:30pm

A CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL PRODUCTION

CVPS GYMNASIUM

**TICKETS \$3 EACH
SCHOOL CASH ONLINE**



**CORNELL VILLAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL
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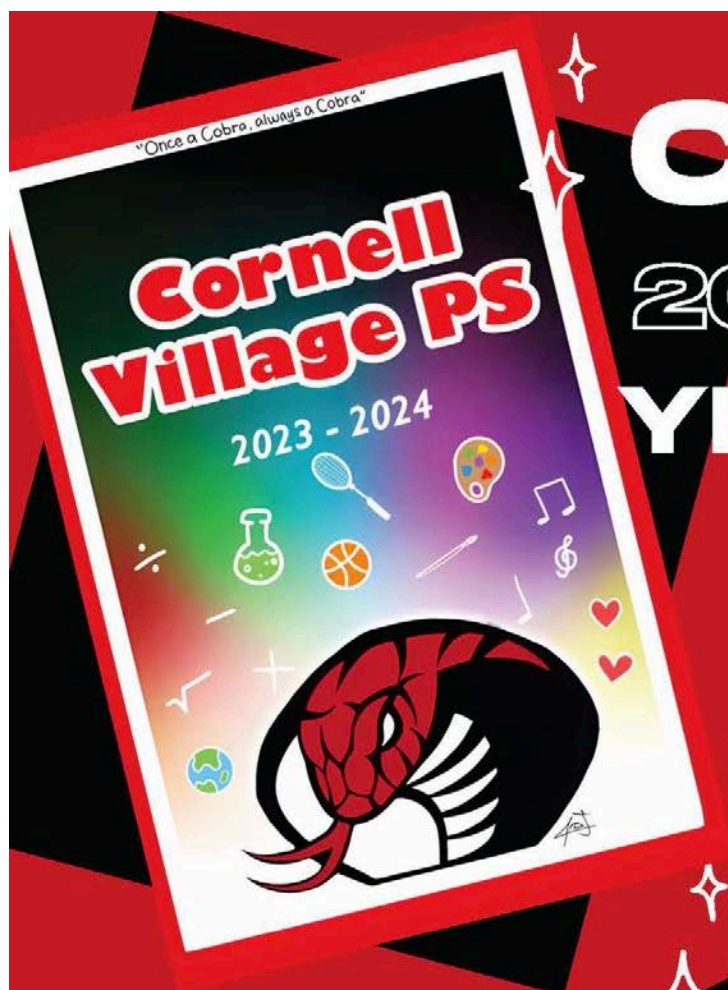
Wednesday, May 8th, 2024

6:45pm

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

FEATURING GRADES 1 - 3/4





C.V.P.S.

2023-2024

YEARBOOK

ON SALE

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\$30

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Love Gelato & CVPS Partnership

\$28.75
per box



Purchase a Love Box with 9 individual servings of gelato for a discounted price. Dairy and nut free options available.



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.

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

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.

Parent/caregiver series supporting learning about mental health.

The YRDSB Central Mental Health Team is proud to be offering the *Learning about Mental Health Presentation Series (LAMPS)*. The objective of the series is to promote and enhance mental health literacy. The second session is “**Technology Use and Mental Health, a Presentation for Parents and Caregivers**” and will occur virtually on May 29th from 6 - 7 p.m. The presentation will focus on the characteristics of anxiety, and some general strategies that may be beneficial in supporting your children and their anxiety.

These sessions are offered to any parent/guardian. Translation will be provided in a limited number of languages. If your preferred language is not offered, we recommend watching with a friend or family member who is able to translate.

To register please visit [this link](#).

Please Register by May 28th, 2024



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Summer Volleyball Camp

6 Weeks of Camp

Dates:

July 8 - 12

July 15 - 19

July 22 - 26

July 29 - Aug 2

Aug 6 - 9 (4 days)

Aug 12 - 16

9am - 4pm

****Early & Late**

Pickup Available**

Location:

Wilclay Public School

60 Wilclay Ave, Markham

Age group: 8-13 Years old

Cost: \$350 + tax (full day)

\$290 + tax (half day)

***Free t-shirt included**



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.

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. Please be sure your child has a proper fitting helmet!

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.

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.