



Cobra Communicator

We are a village, growing together

November 3, 2023

Dear families,

This week our grade 8 students had the opportunity to go and visit BHSS for an orientation session. We are so fortunate to be a feeder school to such an amazing high school. We also had some grade 9 students come to school with their parents for "Bring your Grade 9 to work day"! Some of our graduates also came back to CVPS for the day!

Parent-teacher interviews are coming up on November 16 (evening) and 17 (morning). Report cards will be sent home on November 9. We will be sending home a hard copy of report cards and the YRDSB will also send Progress Reports electronically. If you do not yet have an Edsby account set up, please be sure to do this ahead of the sign-up for interviews. Please see the information below about setting up an interview with your child's teacher. Our scheduling system will go "live" on Monday, November 6!

Next week is Treaties Recognition Week. This week honours the importance of treaties and helps students and residents of Ontario learn more about treaty rights and relationships.

Students will also be learning about the importance of recognizing Remembrance Day in their classes this week. Cornell Village will be having a school assembly on November 10, to honour Remembrance Day.

Thank you for all of your support and partnership!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely,

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
November 6	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pizza Day for those who ordered- last day for this session ● School Council Meeting 6-8 p.m. (virtual option available-link below) ● Treaties Recognition Week ● Holocaust Education Week ● Hindu Heritage Month ● Intermediate Boys' volleyball practice-lunch recess
November 7	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cricket Club (grades 4-8) starts -lunch
November 8	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choir grades 4-8 ● Sub sandwiches for those who ordered-last day for this session ● Jr./Int. Choir - am recess ● Primary Choir - lunch recess ● Intermediate Boys' volleyball practice-lunch recess ● Intermediate Boys' Volleyball tournament- after school-Armadale
November 9	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Intermediate Girls' volleyball practice-lunch recess ● Progress Reports go home
November 10	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hero Burgers for those who ordered- last day for this session ● Remembrance Day Assembly 9:30 a.m. ● Intermediate Girls' volleyball practice-lunch recess

Mark your calendars:

Nov. 15	Vaccinations
Nov. 20	Int. Boys' Area Volleyball@CVPS a.m.
Nov. 20-24	Bullying Prevention Week
Nov. 21	Int. Girls Volleyball Regional Meet
Nov. 23	Photo Retakes/Grade 8 photos
Nov. 24	Int. Boys Volleyball Regional Meet
Nov. 24	Dental Screening
Nov. 27	Dental Screening
Jan. 15	School Council Meeting
Feb. 1	Grade 8 Graduation Photos
Feb. 5	School Council Meeting
Feb. 6	Jr. Girls Volleyball Regional Meet
Feb. 8	Jr. Boys Volleyball Regional Meet
March 4	Int. Girls Basketball Regionals
March 5	Int. Boys Basketball Regionals
April 30	Jr. Girls Basketball Regionals
May 1	Jr. Boys Basketball Regionals
June 12	SODA Track & Activities Meet
June 19	Track & Field Regional Meet
June 20	Grade 8 Graduation-CVPS

Attachments for this week:

Education and Community Partnership Programs Brochure.pdf

Flyer Keep the Door Open - Understand Your Child's Inner World 敞开孩子的心房/敞開孩子...

Parent-Teacher Interviews/Student-led Conferences

Progress Reports will be coming home in hard copy on November 9. Parent-Teacher Interviews or Student-led conferences will be taking place on the evening of Thursday, November 16 and on the morning of Friday, November 17 (which is a PA Day). **Your child's interview sign-up is opening up on Monday at 9:00 am through Edsby.** You will have an opportunity to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) in person, and learn more about the classroom.

Families that already have an Edsby account may use their previously created account. The username is the full email address that is on file at your child(ren)'s home school and the password is the one created at activation. If you have forgotten your password, you can find [resources on the Board website](#) to help, including how to reset your password.

Families who do not have an Edsby account will need to create one to access the online appointment scheduler for their child's teachers for Interview Night. An up-to-date and valid email address must be provided to your child's home school. For help creating an Edsby account, [instructions can be found on the Board website](#). An email from York Region District School Board with instructions on how to create an Edsby account will be sent to your email inbox. If you do not receive the email, please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity.

Hindu Heritage Month

Hindu Heritage Month is an opportunity to remember, celebrate and educate future generations about Hindu Canadians and the important role that they have played and continue to play in communities across Ontario. Hinduism is considered by some as one of the world's oldest religions, dating back over 10,000 years. With over 900 million followers worldwide, Hinduism is the third-largest religion.

Holocaust Education Week

November 1 - November 9, 2023 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.

Treaties Recognition Week

During the week of November 5-11, 2023, we recognize the importance of treaties and bring awareness to the treaty relationships between First Nations, Métis and Inuit and non-Indigenous people throughout the province. There are 46 treaties in Ontario, and we all have a responsibility to recognize, learn about and honour these treaties.

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.

Chinese Heritage Student Support Group

“Keep the Door Open: Understand Your Child’s Inner World” - Nov. 21, 2023 - VIRTUAL EVENT (link will be provided upon registration)

- Mandarin Session 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
- Cantonese Session 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

This session will share tips on ways that lead your child to open their inner world and take care of their emotional wellbeing under the influence of both traditional Chinese culture and Western culture. There will be opportunities for families to connect with staff from the Hong Fook Mental Health Association as well as members of the Community Care Social Work Team supporting students and families of Chinese Heritage and to gather more information about their specific supports. Please join us for an evening talk about positive mental health strategies and engage in a chance to ask general questions (registration link for language-specific sessions are in the flyer above).

Lunches:

Today (November 3rd) is the LAST day to place orders for the next round of School Lunches.

Pizza #2 Mondays		Nov 13, 20, 27, Dec 4, 11, 18
Subs #2 Wednesdays		Nov 15, 22, 29, Dec 6, 13, 20
Burgers #2 Fridays		Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 22

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.



We have had community members reaching out to us. They are concerned about students crossing the street in the middle of the street (jay-walking). Please make sure you have a talk with your child about the importance of crossing at an intersection.

School Council

MEETING



Our next meeting will be **November 6** from **6:00-8:00p.m.** We were excited to see so many parents join the CVPS council. Our executive for the 2023/24 school year is:

Chair: Wendy La

Vice Chair: Sarah Yim

Treasurer: Niro Arumugam

Secretary: Sarah Murphy

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 212 711 899 310

Passcode: JGD6B4

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Important Information to Remember:

KISS AND RIDE

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.

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 EDBSY 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](https://bit.ly/edsbyabsence) (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.