

#### We are a village, growing together

November 8 , 2024.

Dear Families,

The Parent Interview schedule closes on Tuesday, November 12th at 9:30 am. If you have not yet done so, log into your Edsby account to book your appointment. Instructions for signing up for interview slots are found <u>here</u>.

Thank you to our wonderful School Council for putting on a fun Movie Night on Wednesday. We know all of our families who attended had a fabulous time! If you would like to be part of the School Council, please reach out! You can email the executive at: <u>cornell.village.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca</u>. The Executive for this year is: Haafid Rahman - Chair, Vibianna Wong - Vice Chair, Karen Bradley - Past Chair, Sarah Murphy - Secretary and Niroshan Arumugam - Treasurer.

If we can support you in any way, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We value our parents/guardians as valued partners in education.

Have a wonderful long weekend!

Sincerely,

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## Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Monday, November 11	2	<ul> <li>Remembrance Day-Assembly 9:30 a.m.</li> <li>Pizza Day for those who ordered</li> <li>Intermediate girls volleyball</li> <li>Trivia Club- snack recess</li> <li>Alice in Wonderland rehearsal-lunch recess</li> </ul>
Tuesday, November 12	3	<ul> <li>Eco Schools/Healthy Schools club meeting -snack recess</li> <li>Orchestra- lunch recess</li> <li>Primary Choir-snack recess</li> </ul>
Wednesday November 13	4	<ul> <li>Subway Subs for those who ordered</li> <li>Snack Shack</li> <li>Choir- snack recess</li> <li>Markham Fire Dept Visit- Grade 1 (9:30) &amp; Grade 2 (10:00)</li> </ul>
Thursday, November 14	5	<ul> <li>Parent-Teacher interviews -evening</li> <li>Alice in Wonderland rehearsal-lunch recess</li> </ul>
Friday, November 15	1	• P.A.Day- Interviews a.m.

# Mark your calendars:

Nov. 18 - Intermediate Girls Volleyball Areas (Bill Hogarth SS)	School Holidays
Nov, 25 - MFD Visit - Gr 3 (9:30) & Gr. 4 (10:00)	
Nov. 27 - Photo Retake Day	Winter Break - Dec. 23, 2024 to Jan. 3
Dec. 2 & 3 - Dental Screening	Family Day - Mon., Feb. 17
Dec. 11 - Kindergarten and Primary Winter Concerts	Mid-Winter Break - March 10, to March 14
Dec. 12 - Strings Showcase Grades 4-8	Good Friday - April 18
Feb. 3-5 - Lake St. George - Grade 7	Easter Monday - April 21
March 6 & 7 Milne - Grade 2	Victoria Day - Mon. May 19
March 17 & 18 - Milne - Grade 4	
March 19 & 20 - Milne - Grade 7	P.A. Days
March 25- Grade 7 visit to MSH	
June 19- Grade 8 graduation- CVPS	Friday, January 17, 2025
	Friday, January 31, 2025
	Monday, June 9, 2025
	Friday, June 27, 2025

## From Ms. Schmidt's Grade 3/4 Class

Our class did a mini-food drive for Halloween / Diwali. We wanted to do something kind for the community and we read about this also being a tradition for some people on Halloween. We also integrated it with our Healthy Foods unit and examined some of the food items and their Nutritional Content. As well, we decided to add up the total amount of food in grams that was donated - a math connection. Over 10,000 grams of food. Awesome! We are grateful to all the families that have donated to help this cause.

## **Supporting Early Reading - Screening Tools**

A screening tool proactively detects challenges with learning to read, allowing educators to provide corresponding instructional scaffolds which disrupt inequities created by poor literacy outcomes. The purpose of a screening tool is to gather reliable data to predict which students are at risk of future reading difficulties, and to provide an opportunity to identify student strengths.

In YRDSB, we are using the Accidence tool with all of our Year 2 (SK), grade 1 and grade 2 students. Screening will be administered at least two times a year – in September and June. Some students who may be struggling with reading may also participate in the screening in January.

Throughout the last few weeks, Year 2 (SK), Grade 1, and Grade 2 students have been completing diagnostic assessments in reading with their teachers. These diagnostic assessments include: letter-sound identification, phonemic awareness, a spelling inventory and a decoding inventory. Teachers use these diagnostic assessments to determine student strengths and next steps or specific areas where they require additional support such as blending or segmenting sounds. Small group instruction is informed through the results.

As stated above, York Region District School Board has selected the Acadience Screening tool as our early reading screener. The Acadience Screening tool represents adequate reading benchmarks for a particular grade and time of year. The results are not reflective of a grade on a report card, but rather inform teachers and parents which students need additional support in reading. Inside the classroom, teachers are able to accommodate for student needs, but a screener is completed without any use of accommodations.

Families may access information about Early Reading Screening on the YRDSB public website at: <u>https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/assessment-evaluation-and-reporting</u>.

## **Battery Recycling - From the CVPS Eco Team**



Did you know?

Used batteries make up less than 1% of all waste found in municipal landfills. That 1% of batteries is responsible for 88% of all the toxic heavy metals found in the landfill. Here's a link that tells about how to properly tape/dispose of the various types of batteries:

https://www.rawmaterials.com/page/educa tion/prepare-batteries/

#### **From Your School Council**

### Hot Lunches:

REGING	SUBWAY	<b>HERO</b> Certified Burgers.
Mondays	Wednesdays	Fridays
November 11, 18, 25	November 13, 20, 27	November 22, 29
December 2, 9, 16	December 4, 11, 18	December 6, 13, 20

#### Movie Night:

Thank you to everyone who joined us for movie night! It was so great to be able to come together in the school as a Community, and support our school.

Watch for more engagement opportunities coming soon!

## From the City of Markham

#### Markham School Zone Safety Guide - Provide your input at the Virtual Public Information Session

Join the project team at the **Virtual Public Information Centre** on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6 pm EST. Register **here**(External link).

Markham School Zone Safety Guide - The City wants to hear from you!

Your opinion matters in making school zones and routes safer! Share your thoughts on the challenges of travelling to and from school, and how the City can improve safety in the neighbourhood.

Please take a moment to complete the <u>survey (External link)</u>. Together, we can create a safer environment for school communities!

## **Mabel's Labels**

Our school is fundraising with Mabel's Labels! If you're not familiar with Mabel's Labels, they are personalized, durable, waterproof labels. They are great for everything from shoes, clothing tags, water bottles and backpacks. You can customize them with your name and a design, and they are dishwasher, laundry and microwave safe.

Mabel's Labels also offers clothing stamps, silicone bands for water bottles and medical alert labels. This Is a great way to ensure your items don't end up in the lost & found or mixed up. To reduce the spread of germs, we highly recommend labelling but they are also useful for everyday life. To support our fundraiser, visit campaigns. mabels labels.com and select CORNELL VILLAGE PS. You can pick out whatever labels or product you want, and it will ship for free directly to your house!

Thank you for supporting us!





