

We are a village, growing together

September 22, 2023.

Dear families,

We are really looking forward to the exciting week ahead! We have our school wide Terry Fox Run/Walk on **September 26 in the afternoon**. You may donate to CVPS through a link of the Terry Fox Org. website or send in cash. Our goal is to raise over \$2000! If every person brings \$2, we will reach our goal! Parent volunteers are welcome! Please see the information below.

We are looking forward to welcoming families at our **Meet the Families Night** on **September 27**. Our **Book Fair** will be running throughout this week and during the evening. **Curbside Dogs Food Truck** will be on site starting at **5:00 p.m.** We will be selling **pizza by the slice** as well. We will have an **ice cream truck** starting at **5:00 p.m.** We will have tables set up in the gym for families to dine and meet other families.

The School Council will have a table set up displaying the **Cornell Village Spirit Wear**.

On **September 29**, our school will be honouring Orange Shirt Day. Students are encouraged to wear orange.

Over 120 students will be competing in the area Cross Country Meet on **September 29.** The students have been working hard training for this exciting event.

We know our primary students are super excited for their trip to the **Markham Fair** on Friday.

See you next week!

Sincerely,

Heather Purcell

Joanne Trim

Principal heather.purcell@yrdsb.ca Vice Principal joanne.trim@yrdsb.ca

Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Sept. 25	4	 Yom Kippur Pizza Lunch for those who have ordered Cross Country (am recess) Book Fair
Sept. 26	5	 Terry Fox Run p.m. Visit from our Superintendent Elizabeth Lau Book Fair
Sept. 27	1	 Meet the Families Night 5:00-7:30 Subway lunch for those who ordered Recognition of Rowan's Law Day
Sept. 28	2	 Cross Country (am recess) Book Fair
Sept. 29	3	 Orange Shirt Day Markham Fair Trip Grades 1-3 Cross Country Area Meet Book Fair

Attachments for this week:

School Band Rental Brochure 2023-2024

Hutt Family Piano Lessons - Cornell Village P.S. Flyer.pdf

Orange Shirt Day



The orange shirt day movement started in 2013 to highlight the pain and suffering of thousands of Indigenous children who were sent to residential school throughout the last century (1831-1996) September 30th was chosen for Orange Shirt Day as this was historically the time.

September 30th was chosen for Orange Shirt Day as this was historically the time of year First Nation, Metis and Inuit children were taken from their homes and

transported to residential schools far from their own communities. At CVPS, staff will be spending time on Indigenous education all year with a special focus around Orange Shirt Day near the end of September. Please encourage your child to wear some orange on Friday, September 29th.

Book Fair

Book Fair, Book Fair It's GREAT! Book Fair, Book Fair CAN'T WAIT!!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be at CVPS all next week. Students will have the opportunity to come down with their class to look at the collection. The Fair will also be open on Meet-the-Family Night.





Terry Fox Run/Walk

We are excited to announce that our school will be proudly taking part in the 2023 Terry Fox School Run, scheduled to take place on **Tuesday, September 26th, 2023.** This event will support cancer research while also building incredible school spirit for our students. Let's all show the great strength and resiliency of our school community with your support of one of our greatest Canadian heroes, Terry Fox.

The Terry Fox Foundation has created an online fundraising page for our

school as well as provide student/classroom "Terry" activities. Here are some of the ways you can support your child for this year's Terry Fox event:

Donate online at: https://schools.terryfox.ca/CornellVillagePSMarkham

- Click the link above to donate or search for our school name at terryfox.org
- There is no minimum donation, every dollar counts! · Receipts are issued immediately to donors by email
- We will also be accepting cash donations in the office. If every student and staff member brought in \$2, we would meet our goal!

Last year, we raised \$1828.90 for the Terry Fox Organization! Our goal this year is to raise \$2000!

We are in need of parent volunteers for the Terry Fox Run/Walk! If you are available to help, please email CVPS teacher jeremy.harnum@yrdsb.ca.

Lunch Programmes:

Mondays - Regino's Pizza	Wednesdays- Subway Subs	Fridays - Hero Burger	
Sept. 25	Sept. 27	Sept. 29	
Oct. 2	Oct. 11	Oct. 6	
Oct. 16	Oct. 18	Oct. 13	
Oct. 23	Oct. 25	Oct. 27	
Oct. 30	Nov. 1	Nov. 3	
Nov. 6	Nov. 8	Nov. 10	







At Cornell Village, we are truly a village. The community strives to help each other. We have families in need of support for lunch programmes, school trips and other costs associated with school life. If you would like to donate to support a family in need, please reach out to Principal Heather Purcell and let her know you would like to support a family. In your email, please specify if you would like to support a number of students with a session of the lunch programme or in another capacity. Donations may be made on School Cash Online.

If you are a family who would benefit from support, please call or reach out to Principal Heather Purcell

(heather.purcell@yrsdb.ca).

All support is done discreetly.







Sankofa Mentoring **Cultural Identity Programs**



FREE





Sankofa Mentoring Program Grades 7-12

Sankofa Identity Program Grades 6-8

Storytelling Program Grades 4-6

The Sankofa Mentoring Program provides Black students in grades 4 to 12 with a powerful African-centered curriculum founded on the Ngozi Saba principles. Students can participate in various activities such as cultural games, drumming, creating storybooks for children, field trips, listening to guest speakers, learning about Black Heroes and Sheroes, as well as studying African languages. This program allows students to explore their racial and cultural identity, enhance their self-esteem, develop critical thinking skills, engage in self-reflection, foster teamwork, and promote the building of a stronger community. The program is available both online and in-person and includes tutoring/homework help for students registered in the program. Additionally, we offer programs for parents to encourage their engagement. Embark on a life-changing adventure by becoming a part of our community.



Scan for more information:





gmgr@yorkregionaacc.ca (https://yraacc.ca/



Worth Repeating...

School Start-Up packages were sent home with your child. The YRDSB also sent out a link should you wish to fill in the forms on-line. Please return the forms by Friday, September 15th. Here is a copy of the package: <u>2023-24 CVPS School Start Up Package</u>

If sending cash for your child(ren)'s **agenda**, please send the exact change. You may also pay through SchoolCash Online.

School Start-Up Forms

We ask families to ensure the school office has the most up-to-date contact information. This is important in case of emergency situations. If your contact information has changed, please notify the school office.

Parents/guardians received an email from YRDSB Update with important school start-up forms to complete. It is important that these forms are completed as soon as possible at the start of the school year as they contain important information and permissions. The forms can be found at https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/. Tips are available if you need additional information on how to log in to the Student GAPPS account to complete the forms.

Please note:

• You must be signed in to your child's student GAPPS account to complete the form. Please remember to sign out of one account before signing into another. Additional information is available on the Board website on how to login to the student account to complete the forms.

• If you prefer to complete the forms on paper or have questions about the information in the forms, please contact the school office.

• Parents/guardians must complete a separate form for each child attending school. Please ensure you log out of one student account before logging into another. You will not be able to submit the form twice logged into the same student account.

School Assistants Needed

We are looking for School Assistants to help supervise during lunch hours as well as before school (and during the day at certain times). These are paid positions. We welcome parents and community members to apply and join the Cornell Village team. This role is an important one and we especially need supervision during the lunch hour. If you are interested in this role, please contact our school office and speak to Laura or Aminah. **(905) 471-1694**

Elementary School Year Calendar

Screening Tool

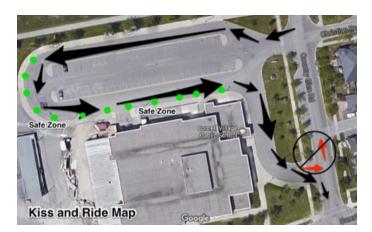
Families are still asked to screen their children using the <u>screening tool</u> for the 2023-2024 school year. This tool has been updated to reflect new protocols and guidelines.

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.

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 <u>before</u> 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 <u>online video tutorial to</u> <u>learn more</u> (<u>bit.ly/edsbyabsence</u>).

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

2. Calling the schools 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.