

Kindergarten Information Session at Cornell Village PS.

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Welcome From our Admin Team



Principal:
Ms. Purcell

Vice Principal:
Ms. Trim

Land Acknowledgement



I take care of the land.

Welcome to the Kindergarten Information Session!

You are your child's first teacher and are the most powerful influence on their learning, development, health, and well-being.



We can't wait to partner with you as your child begins kindergarten at Cornell Village PS.



The Kindergarten Educator Team

Classroom Teachers

Designated Early Childhood Educators (DECEs)

Kindergarten Prep Coverage Teachers

Meet our current kindergarten homeroom teachers and ECE's.



Welcome from Scott Yake, Interim Director



Kindergarten at Cornell Village PS



Arrival time:

8:45 am -9:00 am

Dismissal time:

3:30pm

School Contact info:

186 Country Glen Rd.

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Speech Language Pathologists

Speech-Language Pathologists embrace all communicators, languages and cultures.

We partner with educators and families to nurture oral language, play, social interaction, reading and writing.

Supports are integrated within play-based learning in the classroom.



Kindergarten is for all Children

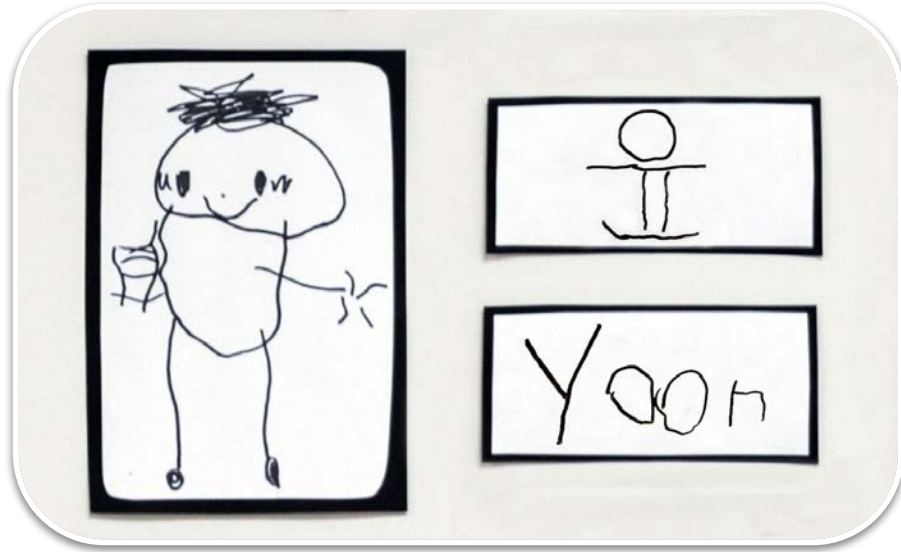
In Kindergarten, each child is capable, competent and full of potential.

Each child brings unique gifts into our classrooms and develops at their own pace. In The Kindergarten Program, learning environments reflect the diverse social, cultural, and linguistic perspectives of children and their families. Our goal at YRDSB is to provide opportunities for every child to grow and thrive in an environment where they know that they matter and belong, and are empowered as learners.



Inclusive & Equitable Learning in Kindergarten

Play-based learning in kindergarten honours and reflects children's lived experiences, interests, social identities and home languages.



The Kindergarten Program

Kindergarten is a play-based learning program. There are no subjects in Kindergarten, but rather, there are four interconnected frames for learning:

- Belonging and Contributing
- Self Regulation and Well Being
- Demonstrating Literacy and Mathematics Behaviours
- Problem Solving and Innovating.

These four frames reflect how all children naturally learn in an integrated way during their exploration, play and inquiry, both indoors and outdoors.




Play-Based Learning Indoors


Children have opportunities throughout the day to choose from a variety of personalized play-based learning experiences that integrate the interests of children and many areas of learning from the Kindergarten Program.



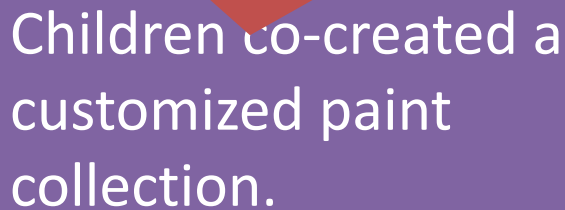
The Four Frames: The Indoor Learning Environment



Children are sorting and counting bears connected to a book they have shared together.



Children and educators have created a space together to help children to self-regulate throughout movement activities.



Children co-created a customized paint collection.



Children are writing about their creation at the block play space.

Children Families Educators

Expression Well-Being

Demonstrating Literacy and Mathematics Behaviours

5 JUMPING JACKS

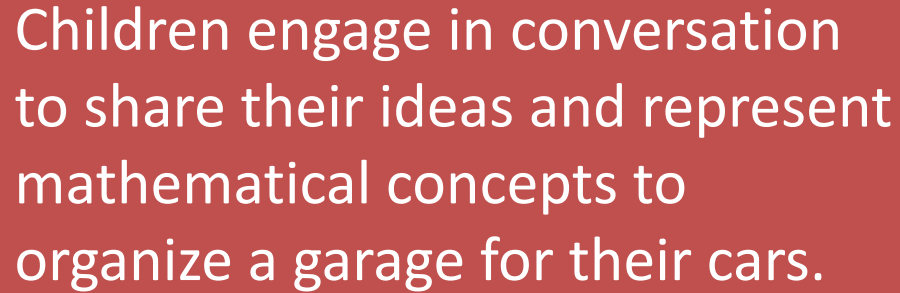
Play-Based Learning Outdoors

Learning in the outdoors is an integral part of each day in Kindergarten. The Kindergarten Program values the natural outdoor environment as an extension to the indoor environment, creating and connecting fluid learning opportunities between the two.

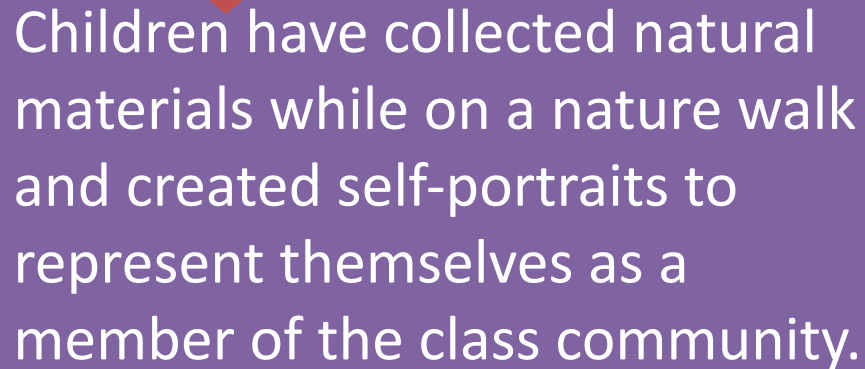


“Outdoor spaces offer valuable learning opportunities, and natural settings can inspire the kind of thinking, learning, leadership, and innovation that may be inhibited in children in the classroom but that, once revealed, can be incorporated back into the classroom environment.” (pg 34, The Kindergarten Program)

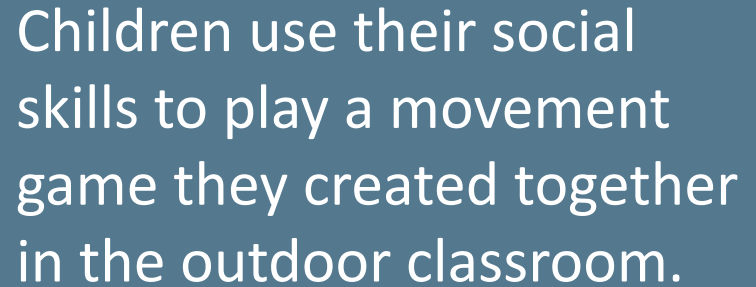
The Four Frames: The Outdoor Learning Environment



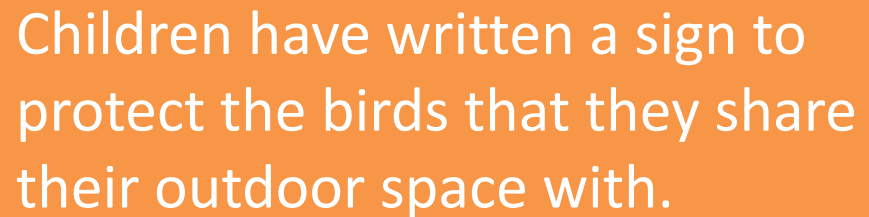
Children engage in conversation to share their ideas and represent mathematical concepts to organize a garage for their cars.



Children have collected natural materials while on a nature walk and created self-portraits to represent themselves as a member of the class community.



Children use their social skills to play a movement game they created together in the outdoor classroom.



Children have written a sign to protect the birds that they share their outdoor space with.



Kindergarten Arrival Routines



Arrival Time 8:45 am - 9:00 am
Students will enter the building through the kindergarten gated area that is located at the back of the school. It is important to encourage independence. Families should say goodbye to their child outside the gates of the kindergarten pen, which is outside of the building. Students will have their own “cubby” area to hang up personal items such as backpacks and jackets.

Kindergarten Dismissal Routines

Kindergarten students will be dismissed out the gated area at the back of the school. Dismissal time is 3:30 pm. Students who are enrolled in the after school daycare program will have a staff member walk them to the daycare classroom.



Recess Time



Children go outside for recess every day, weather permitting.

Recess time:
10:40 am -
10:55am



Lunch & Snack



Routines for Lunch & Snacks

Snack Routines: Children will have time each morning to have a nutrition break. We encourage families to send snacks that children can eat independently and that are nut free.

Lunch Routines: Students will eat lunch in their classroom followed by outdoor play time.



Tips for Kindergarten Lunch & Snacks

- use containers that are easy for your child to open independently; practice opening them together at home
- consider litterless lunches and snacks
- ensure food products are nut-free
- invite your children to help you prepare lunches and snacks
- label containers, lunch bags and reusable water bottles



Washroom and Self-Help Routines



Children are encouraged, as independently as possible to:

- wash their hands with soap and water
- dress and undress themselves (zippers, buttons, shoes, etc.)
- use the washroom

Educators support children as they learn these new classroom routines.

Before and After Child Care Program

If you require a Before and After Child Care Program for your child, please contact Upper Canada Child Care.

<http://www.uppercanadachildcare.com/locations/11-cornell-village-child-care.html>



For more information about child care, please visit the YRDSB board website:

www.yrdsb.ca/schools/ChildCare/Pages/default.aspx

Will Your Child be Taking the Bus?



Families can access the Student Transportation Service of York Region website - net.schoolbuscity.com to:

- check if your child is eligible for the school bus
- find out where your child's bus stop will be located

The First Day of Kindergarten



Families will be contacted well before the first day of school regarding your child's class placement and first day routines.

First Day of School - Tuesday September 5

- Year 1 (JK) students will begin school on September 5th.
- Students will attend school for a portion of the day on their first day of school (approximately 100 minutes).
- Year 1 (JK) students will begin full day, every day attendance on Wednesday September 6th.
- You will be contacted by the school regarding what time your child will attend on September 5th.
- Teachers will be ready to meet students outside at kindergarten gated area at their scheduled time.



Preparing Your Child for the Transition to Kindergarten

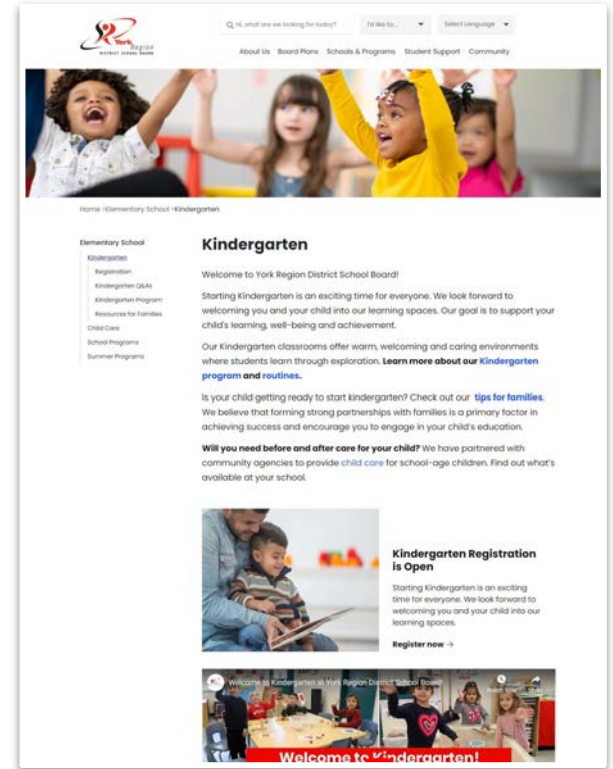
Some things you may wish to do over the coming months are:

1. Talk to your child about the upcoming transition and what they will be doing. What might be different from their daily schedule (e.g., drop off and pick-up routines)?
2. Offer an opportunity for them to see the outside of the school building (i.e., bike ride, walk or drive by).
3. Engage in some playful learning experiences at home (Learning Through Play at Home book) and connect play at home to play at school.
4. Consider sending a family photo in your child's backpack so they can 'visit you' throughout the day if they need to feel connected to you.
5. Create and use a goodbye routine you have practiced with your child.
6. Consider visiting one of the EarlyON Child and Family Program or a local library



For More Information About Kindergarten

YRDSB Kindergarten Website:
www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten



The screenshot shows the YRDSB Kindergarten website homepage. At the top, there is a search bar and navigation links for 'About Us', 'Board Plans', 'Schools & Programs', 'Student Support', and 'Community'. Below the navigation is a large banner image of four diverse children with their arms raised in excitement. The main content area features a sidebar with a 'Kindergarten' menu and a main heading 'Kindergarten'. The main text welcomes visitors to the York Region District School Board and describes the kindergarten program as a time for learning, well-being, and achievement. It highlights the warm and caring classroom environments and provides links for more information, tips for families, and registration details. A 'Kindergarten Registration is Open' section includes a photo of a parent reading to a child and a 'Register now' button. At the bottom, there is a video player with a 'Welcome to Kindergarten!' title.

Discover Kindergarten

An in-person event for children and families will take place on June 13.

During this event, you and your child will be invited to the school to:

- take a brief tour of the kindergarten area;
- visit a Kindergarten classroom;
- play with learning materials with your child and an educator in a small group setting;
- Receive a copy of the YRDSB picture book titled ***Playful Learning in Kindergarten.***



Let's Take A Look Around



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Markham Public Library



The city of Markham has 8 branches of the public library including one right here in our community.



Welcome to Your Library



MARKHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY



About Markham Public Library

- Eight branches
- If you live, work or study in Markham and York Region, you can get a Markham Public Library card



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Together, we
will imagine,
create, learn
and grow

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Markham Public Library Card

- Your library card gives you free access to our diverse collections
- No late fee for children and teens under the age of 18



Resources for Young Readers

TumbleBook Library

- Animated storytime and picture books



NoveList K-8 Plus

- Find out what to read to your child next!



PBS Kids

- Learn early childhood themes and topics (ie: Math, animals) through interactive games and videos!



Resources for Young Readers

TVO Kids

- School-aligned interactive learning platform (coding, language, math, etc)



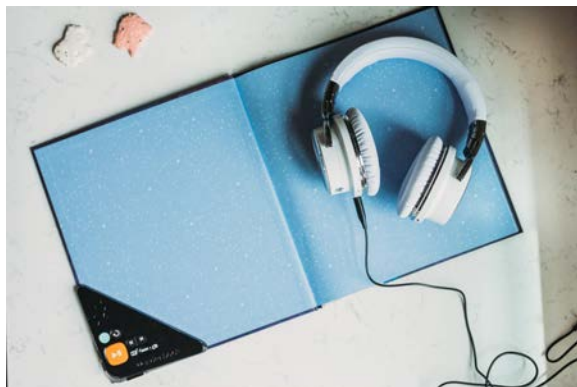
CBC's The Story Store

- A CBC podcast for kids, featuring Mr. Orlando the Moose and Gary the Unicorn.



Physical Resources in the Library

Wonderbook!



Toys



Bikes



Virtual/In-Person Programs

- Family Storytime
- Baby & Books
- Learning Place Programs
- Preschoolers math clubs



Special Events



Sometimes we have special presentations during holidays! Stay tuned on our social media and website!



Questions?

Contact Information



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Thank You and See You Soon!



You will be contacted shortly with information about your child's visit.



Questions

