



# L'école Elder's Mills La Voix des Aigles

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## School Priorities

### Well-Being & Mental Health

Ensuring that each student feels safe, part of the school community and engaged in their learning

### Modern Learning

Engaging students in inquiry and project based learning through problem solving, collaborative learning and opportunities to apply their knowledge while using technology as a tool that enhances learning

### Math

Developing student interest and confidence in math, their mastery of math facts and their ability to connect math to real life and demonstrate their knowledge problem solving applications.

## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Our school office hours are 8:15-4:30. To contact the school office please dial 905-893-1631.

## décembre 2016-janvier 2017

### *Message From Our Trustee*

*As we near the end of 2016, I hope everyone has had a great school year so far and found opportunities to get involved with the life of the school.*

*It is wonderful to have opportunities to see not only what our students are learning, but to see how they are learning – collaborating and problem solving, using technology in exciting new ways, and engaged in hands-on activities.*

*I want to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated staff members, students, families and community members across our Board. Thanks to all of the great people we have in our system, we continue to advance student achievement and well-being.*

*Our Board continues to have a strong commitment to creating welcoming, inclusive learning environments that enable all of our students to thrive. Engaging families in your child's education and the school community is in an important part of creating that environment.*

*There are resources for families available on our Board website at [www.yrdsb.ca/parents](http://www.yrdsb.ca/parents), including information on Board programs and supports, and tips for parents to support your child's learning at home and at school.*

*Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful start to 2017. I hope you are able to enjoy time with family and friends.*

*Anna DeBartolo, Trustee*



## Some Dates to Remember:

**Dec. 21: Holiday Assembly**

**Dec. 24 to Jan. 8: Winter Break**

**Jan. 9: School Resumes**

**Jan. 19: New Gr. 1 Parent Information Night @ 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

**Jan 20: PA Day, No School for Students & New Grade 1 French Immersion Registration Begins**



## French Immersion Information Sessions and Registrations

Information sessions for the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at Elder's Mills Public School on January 19, 2017 from 7-8 p.m. **FI registration will begin January 20, 2017.** In order to streamline the registration process, parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2017, and wishing to enroll in the FI Program, can visit or call the school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to Elder's Mills Public School to register between January 17 and February 17, 2017. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.

## SchOLastic BOOK Fair

Festival du Livre/French Book Fair

Thank you to all families that supported our Festival du Livre. We reached almost \$3000 in sales, which has provided our school with \$1300 in credits from Scholastics! These credits will be used to purchase more books and maker-space materials for the library to support all our classes! Thank you! Merci!

### from the Chess Club .....

Several students from grades 3 to 8 have signed up to participate on the Chess Team. We will also be asking students in grades 1 and 2. We are looking for students who are intermediate to advanced level chess players, and enjoy competition, for the Chess Team. We hope to start a Chess Club in the new year for those students who would enjoy playing chess casually.

## the Eco Team

Looking ahead to the rest of the year and to an upcoming Eco initiative, our Eco Team needs your help in collecting and sending to school any of the following recyclable/reusable items, from now and until June:

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| • Old calendars   | • Old magazines                              |
| • Old buttons or beads  | • Empty egg cartons                          |
| • Empty toilet paper, paper towel or gift wrap rolls  | • Empty cereal boxes                         |
| • Rinsed out yogurt containers or glass jars  | • Used tissue paper or wrapping paper        |
| • Old ribbons/ string   | • Bubble wrap                                |
| • Plastic bottle caps   | • Small or big boxes                         |
| • Pieces of cardboard   | • Old greetings cards (just the front image) |
| • <b>ANY OTHER MATERIALS THAT YOU DON'T NEED AND THAT YOU THINK CAN BE USED FOR A PROJECT USING RECYCLABLE/REUSABLE MATERIALS</b> |  |



### Being on Time Counts!

Being on time for school is an important life skill. School starts at 8:45 a.m.

*Here are some quick tips to get you started:*

- Lay out your outfit the night before so you don't have to rush around in the morning trying to find clean socks.
- Get your backpack organized and your lunch packed the night before, as well, so you do not have too many things to do in the morning before leaving for school.
- Set an alarm each morning to help encourage you to get out of bed on time.

### Winter is here....

Please send extra clothing to school for your child, such as mittens, hats, socks and pants in case they get wet. Don't forget to label them.



### Holiday Assembly

On Wednesday, December 21  
11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Several classes will be participating in the Holiday Assembly in the gym. Communication from the teachers for the classes who are participating will be forthcoming in the weeks leading to the assembly. Parents are welcome to attend!

*Happy Holidays & Happy New Year!  
From All of Us at Elder's Mills Public School!*