

## Elder's Mills: The Eagle Eye

Soaring on Wings of Character, Community and Diversity

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### **YRDSB Network Outage:**

"Late in the evening of November 8, 2023, York Region District School Board information technology staff members became aware of a cyber incident. The board's technology team has a cyber security response plan and immediately took mitigating action to preserve and contain data and ensure critical systems were protected. The board is working with third party experts, including legal and technical, to analyze the extent of the incident and begin work to restore services. Law enforcement has also been contacted and we are cooperating fully with their investigation.

As part of our due diligence, the board will conduct a full investigation into what occurred, its effects on our network and what steps can be taken to avoid this from reoccurring.

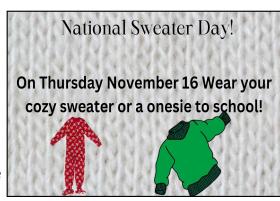
We know the public rely and trust the Board to securely maintain its data; all our actions have been taken to ensure the integrity of staff and student data and ensure privacy is protected.

Thank you for your patience as we work to restore all services and return to full functionality."

~YRDSB Communications

### **Elder's Mills Eco School!**

Since 2010, more than a million Canadians have shown their support for limiting global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius by turning down their thermostats by the same amount (or more) and wearing their favourite sweaters to stay warm. WWF National Sweater Day is an opportunity to raise awareness about climate change and energy conservation, and show how together — classroom by classroom, school by school — we can be a part of the solution. Staff and students are encouraged to wear their cozy sweaters or onesies on Thursday Nov 16!



### Book Fair @ EMPS!

We're excited to announce our Scholastic Book Fair is coming! You can shop from hundreds of items in-person or online through our Virtual Book Fair extension. Our Fair is open from Nov 15 to Nov 17, and all purchases help us earn new resources for our school.



### **Elder's Mills Remembers:**

On Friday, November 10th, students and staff commemorated Remembrance Day. Students came to school wearing red and black colours and poppies.

All classes gathered in the gym and listened thoughtfully to songs and presentations by their peers about why we remember, about peace, the symbolism of the poppy and about the contributions of the diverse Canadians in service during war and peace times. Our Grade 8 band supported us in the playing of O Canada and in our tribute by playing the Last Post during our moments of silent reflection. We thank the team of students and teachers who organized this day. Nous nous souvenons.



### **Extra-curricular activities at EMPS!**

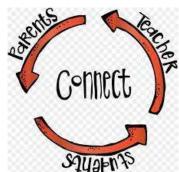
Students are busy participating in many different activities at recess and lunch. Some of these are initiated by students themselves! Here is a sample of what's planned for next week:

Extra-Curricular Activities						
	Monday November 13 Day 2	Tuesday November 14 Day 3	Wednesday November 15 Day 4 WASTE FREE	Thursday November 16 Day 5	Monday November 20 Day 1	
Morning Recess	Lego Robotics Coding Club	Lego Robotics Coding Club	Waste free Wednesday! Alto Saxophone Players from Beginning Concert Band please meet in Music Room @ Morning Recess	Lego Robotics Coding Club	Lego Robotics Coding Club	
Lunch Recess	Soaring Eagles Concert Band Rehearsal - Lunch Recess (every day 2) Lego Robotics Coding Club	Newspaper Club in Room 206 (every day 3) Grade 5 Bucket Drumming @ Lunch Recess in Music Room (every Day 3) Study Hall for Junior students in Room 117 (Mme Constantin) (every day 3) Reading Club at the library 2-3 and 4 every day 3	Healthy & Eco Schools Club - Library Open to Gr 4-8 (every day 4) - bring a chromebook Lego Robotics Coding Club	EMPS Beginning Concert Band Rehearsal - Lunch Recess (every day 5) Chess Club every day 5	Lego Robotics Coding Club	

### **Progress Report Conferences:**

The schedule for booking Progress Report Conferences is now open. Edsby is the online tool supported for scheduling elementary interviews/conferences. To access the schedule, log into your Edsby account.

An invitation to book appointments will be sent to your Edsby account and a notification to your email. Instructions for signing up for interview slots are found here.



Progress Report Conferences will be held at the school on Thursday, November 16th and Friday, November 17th. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child's **homeroom teacher**.

If you have any challenges with meeting in-person on the scheduled days, please contact your child's teacher.

Please note that these conferences are with your child's homeroom teacher. If you would like to connect with any of your child's other teachers, please reach out to them to make a request.

If you have any questions about this process please contact our main office for support.

This schedule will close at 4:00 p.m. on November 14th.

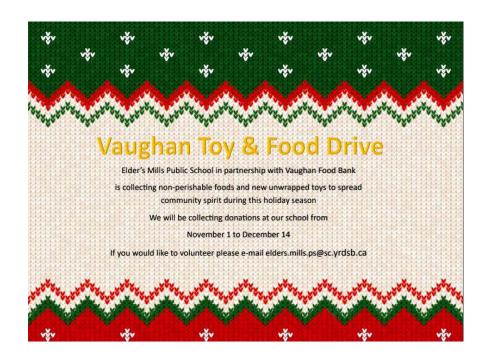


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### We'd like to hear from you!

Please take a moment to complete the survey at this link. Ideas and input will be shared with the various school council committees: School Council Family interest survey. If you'd like to join any of the committees please email us at our school council email:

<u>Volunteers!</u> The School Council is already planning for <u>Winterfest!</u> Anyone interested in assisting with planning or volunteering please email us at <u>elders.mills.ps@sc.YRDSB.ca.</u>



# **IN THE COMMUNITY**

School Council highlights activities available to families in our community



### **FUNDRAISING AT EMPS!**

### **School Spirit Wear:**

Shop online by following this link: <a href="https://stores.inksoft.com/eldersmills/shop/home">https://stores.inksoft.com/eldersmills/shop/home</a>

### **Mabels Labels:**

Our School Council is pleased to offer this amazing opportunity for our families. Please follow this link for details: <u>Fundraising Support | Mabel's Labels | Raise Funds With Kids Labels</u>

<u>Donation Drive</u>: Donations will be accepted through <u>School Cash Online only</u>, no cash or cheques. You can <u>register for School Cash Online</u> at any time by visiting the website.

Money raised from fundraising efforts like the ones listed above and the lunch programs, for example, will be used to support enhancements in technology, music and library resources and other opportunities such as Stem/Robotics, Graduation, Guest speakers and presentations, field trips and more! . We thank you for your support!

### Pic of the Week:

Grade 6s welcomed Zoo To You this week. Making connections to Science learning, they made many new friends!



### On the Horizon....

November

9 - 14 Progress Reports emailed home (delayed due to YRDSB outage)

11 - Remembrance Day

12 - Diwali

15 - 17 Scholastic Book Fair @ EMPS

## Week 10 - Friday, November 10, 2023

16 - Progress Report Card Conferences p.m.

17 - PA Day; Progress Report Card Conferences a.m.

27 - 30 Grade 3 Gifted Screening

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

To our families observing Diwali, we wish you happy festivities!

Eugenia Korinis and Ayesha Mondal
Principal Vice-Principal

