



Elder's Mills: The Eagle Eye
Soaring on Wings of Character, Community and Diversity
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Dear Families and Students,

Please take the time to read through the information shared here about upcoming events, updates and reminders.

Cross Country Fun! Congratulations!

Our EMPS Eagles represented well at our Area Cross country meet this week, with the team placing 2nd overall in the competition.

Congratulations to our grade 6 girls placing 1st overall in their age group. We had many students place in the top 15 of their races and we are excited to be moving on to the Regional competition this Tuesday, October 25th. Go Eagles Go!



Friday, October 28th, will be a Fall Colours Spirit Day (Couleurs d'automne) at EMPS!



On Friday, October 28th, we will be hosting a Fall **Ball Dance-A-Thon** Party during the day for our students. On the day of the event, **October 28th**, students are invited to wear **Fall colours (black, orange, red, browns etc...)** or **our School Colours/clothing**. Classes will be invited to the gym at a

scheduled time during the day to enjoy some dancing hosted by a DJ. Please reach out to your child's teacher if you have any questions. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL IN A HALLOWEEN COSTUME ON THE DAY OF THE DANCE, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH.**

Hallowe'en Costumes @ EMPS - Monday, October 31st, 2022:

For students who celebrate Halloween, if they wish to come to school on Monday, October 31st in costume, they are invited to do so. When planning costumes, please keep the following in mind:



- that **no replica weapons** of any kind are allowed
- costumes should be respectful of others
 - symbols or objects representative of a person's culture or religious beliefs should not be worn as a costume nor should costumes that caricature social identities through stereotyping
 - in the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation, it is important that costumes do not trivialize and devalue the lives of Indigenous peoples in Canada
- costumes should not overemphasize the scary aspects
- **No Halloween masks** are to be worn and students should only use single use make-up (no sharing of make-up).
- Costumes should be of simple design (to limit personal items being brought to school)
- **Please do not send your child to school with or in:**
 - A long or restrictive costume (these can lead to trips and falls)
 - An inflatable costume
 - A costume that requires adult assistance to take on/off
 - Any items to share with others (candy, treats, food, toys, gift items, etc.)

Students must be able to wear their running shoes and outdoor clothing as per usual.

Fundraising @ Elder's Mills PS!

We are pleased to be able to offer a third option for our Hot Lunch Program through the service provider Just Catering. Just Catering will deliver lunches to Elder's Mills on Wednesdays. .



About Just Catering:

Provides your children with healthy, well balanced, and nutritious lunches!
Prepared homemade, hot and delivered right to your child's/ren classroom.
Option to order lunches is for every Wednesday. For more information please visit their website www.justcateringforkids.com/booking



Spirit Wear

Students, Families & Friends will now have an opportunity to soar with their fellow Eagles!!! Spirit Wear such as **hoodies, t-shirts, sweatpants and caps** will all be available to order for all. Create and share memories with purchases between now and November 4th, 2022. Deliveries will be to Elder's Mills and sent home with students. All proceeds will fund school enhancements and programs. Shop online by following this link:
<https://stores.inksoft.com/eldersmills/shop/home>



YOUR PHOTO DAY IS APPROACHING!

Wednesday October 26, 2022



Showcase Your Best Smile


- Students will be photographed at school.
- On photo day, no order form or payment is due.
- Review your images and purchase online with ease!
- Please do not wear green to avoid blending into the background.

REMINDER


Sign up for notifications at edgeimaging.ca/photoday to get real-time updates about your photo day and stay in the know with Edge.

DON'T FORGET

School photos are a Canadian tradition to capture the school year and preserve your continued growth.



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[Grade 8 Open House Information nights](#) - Please click on the link in this title to access YRDSBs webpages with information about the dates and times for the region's Secondary School information evenings.

School Council:

All parents/guardians are invited to attend any of our School Council meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m. We will host the meeting in the school library. If you are not able to attend in person and would like to join remotely, please use this link:

<https://meet.google.com/mgw-ycda-mji>.



Child minding will also be available for children ages 4 - 11. Please complete this form to indicate your child will be joining us on the evening of the 22nd: [Child-minding request form](#). There will be an option to join remotely as well. The link will be shared on the afternoon of the 27th. Please join us!

School Council October Events! Please join in!

October Food Drive - October 6 - 28

Please bring non-perishable food items to the front of the school during the month of October. See the flyer on the next page for details.

Socktober!

Also for the month of October, students and families are invited to donate new pairs of socks to support families in need. Please see the flyer on the following page for more details.

Your support is greatly appreciated!



Celebrating the Many Global Contributions to Mathematics

Throughout human history, people from many cultures and societies have contributed to the continuously developing understanding of math. As a part of each monthly newsletter, one of these many significant contributions will be shared in celebration of how diverse ways of knowing have shaped our mathematics today.



Did you know that instead of using a base 10 system like we do today, the Mesopotamians (encompassed present day Iraq and Kuwait) used a base 60 number system? They passed this system on to ancient Egyptians who used it to divide a circle into 360 degrees and, over 6000 years ago, even created a 360-day calendar.

Different cultures have used different bases for their number systems such as 10, 20 and 60. Computers use a base 2 system called binary.

Weather Watch:

All students are expected to go out for every recess, weather permitting. Students are to come to school ready and prepared to be outdoors. Please make sure that your children are dressed properly for the weather. It is advisable for students to bring a change of clothes (extra pants and socks). Students are asked to have a pair of indoor shoes at school so that they may change out of their outdoor shoes/boots prior to entering the classroom. Please be sure to label all articles of clothing.



Community and Partnership Developers (CPDs) - Information for School communities:

Through building and maintaining strong collaborative partnerships with school communities, community organizations and social service agencies, the **CPDs** respond to the emerging needs of your school community.

To ensure that the diverse needs of your school community are met, we deliver equitable and inclusive education practices by providing programs and resources along with direct support for students, parents and staff.

In collaboration with community organizations, we may support schools, students and families with:

- school community initiatives
- extracurricular programs
- community outreach and engagement
- nutrition programs
- parenting supports and education
- community resources and supports
- issues of equity and inclusivity
- student and parent engagement
- early years
- transition to high school and post-secondary
- opportunities for youth
- basic needs (food, clothing, medical, housing)
- professional development
- affirming identity

We support your school community, students and families of all needs and backgrounds in York Region through various community resources and supports. Additionally, we also support all YRDSB schools regionally with our areas of specializations.

We invite you to contact your **CPD Team** directly or through the [family and student referral form](#) . For a full list of contact details, please visit our [YRDSB contact page](#).



From Vaughan Public Libraries:

With the school year underway, Vaughan Public Libraries is the place to be! Whether [online](#) or at your local branch, we invite you and your students to explore everything the library has to offer. From books and educational seminars to the latest cutting-edge technologies, we've got you covered at VPL:



- Having fun isn't hard when you've got a library card! Membership is easy and quick. Apply [online](#) to get started today!
- Vaughan Public Libraries offers strong collections for learning and leisure. Students can borrow video games, iPads, movies, music, and fiction of all genres in a variety of languages, available both in print and digital. Download [VPL's Mobile App](#) to get started today!
- Looking for information you can trust? Our academic [databases](#) provide access to a wealth of information on a variety of subjects.
- Do your students need homework help? Try [BrainFuse HelpNow](#) and access live tutors available every day. Free with your library card!
- Vaughan Public Libraries offers welcoming locations for children and their families to learn and have fun. Please see [here](#) for locations and hours.
- Browse our [What's On](#) for all the latest programs, events, services, resources, and much more!

INDIGENOUS ACTION COMMITTEE PRESENTS:



FALL DRUM SOCIAL



Sunday October 23rd 2022
Time: 5pm-8pm
Location: Oak Ridges Community Centre
12895 Bayview Ave Richmond Hill, ON

Bring your hand drums, rattles, friends and/or family and enjoy an evening of drumming, food and connection!

We will also be collecting donations for the Downie Wenjack Fund in honour of Secret Path Week at this event.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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Plus a Special Acoustic Tribute to



Performed by
Matt Bergman
&
John Loree

October is Islamic Heritage Month:

An in-person exhibition on a wide variety of aspects of the Golden Islamic Scientific Era will be held on Friday, October 28th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Tahir Hall Community Centre. Please access these web pages for information: [Islamic Heritage Month](#)



Bus loop in front of school:

This lane needs to be kept clear of vehicles between 8:15 - 9:00 a.m. and 2:45 - 3:45 p.m. Please use the parking lot or kiss'n ride area if arriving to drop off or pick up your child at these times. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping the bus lanes open for the safety of our students.

Pics of the Week - Aussie X Rules & Take Me Outside Day!



On the Horizon....

October:

24 - Diwali *

24- Subway Sandwich Day

25- Pizza Lunch

26 - Photo Day

26- Just Catering

28- Fall Ball for students

31 - Halloween and Fall School Spirit!



**Diamond Days: YRDSB is committed to affirm and value equally the faith diversity in our schools and workplaces. Therefore, INTERNALLY scheduled events such as field trips, school concerts, conferences, meetings, workshops, other professional events, co-curricular activities, and exams/tests SHALL NOT be scheduled on these dates referred to as Diamond Days in the YRDSB.*

To our families celebrating Diwali, we wish you joyous festivities!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

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