

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.

<u>Fall Ball Fun!</u> Classes enjoyed dancing in the gym and activities in the library Friday, October 28th.! We thank our families for their support with our Socktober and Food Drive!









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 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. For each meal purchased, our school receives a 50% return. All funds raised will go directly to supporting school enhancements and programs.



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





Progress Report Conferences:

Progress Report Conferences will be held at the school on Thursday, November 17th and Friday, November 18th. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher in person, and learn more about the classroom.

Edsby is the online tool supported for scheduling elementary interviews/conferences. Please ensure you have an active Edsby account. The scheduling tool will open to families on or after November 1st for families to book a time. An email with further details and instructions will be sent home this week.

Reminder from the Office: Reporting Lates and Absences

Parents may inform the school office of their child's absence or late arrival in three different ways:

- 1. Absences and lates can be entered into **Edsby** which is available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time;
- 2. Send an email to the school attendance email address at: elders.mills.ps.attendance@yrdsb.ca or;
- 3. Parents may choose to contact the school office at 905-893-1631 between 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on the day of absence.

Communicating absences and lates using the above-mentioned options will support our school Safe Arrival process and minimize the need for automated call-outs. Thank you.

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.

NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES IN THE COMMUNITY

Parents of Black Children:

FREE DROP-IN HOMEWORK HELP IS NOW AVAILABLE IN OUR OMO AFRICENTRIC CAMPUS!



Starting today, Tuesday, October 25th, 2022, our 20-minute drop-in homework help will be available every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm.

Homework help is free!
CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Triple P Parenting:



PARENTING SESSIONS

Let's talk about it!

Kids don't come with an instruction manual! Many familiar parenting problems have very simple solutions that can be applied with some effort and focus. Triple P's easy-to-understand and practical strategies have been shown to help families in all types of situations.

We welcome all parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend these virtual sessions!

November 2, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Getting Teens Connected

For parents of children 12+. This session will focus on different aspects of helping teens to develop supportive friendships and become engaged in appropriate social and recreational groups and activities in the wider community. **REGISTER NOW**

November 9, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Our Family, Our Rules

For parents of children and teens. This session will focus on developing a collaborative approach to family rules, expectations, and problem solving/solution seeking skills to help guide your children. **REGISTER NOW**

November 16, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Promoting Resiliency in Children

For parents of children and teens. This session will focus on helping your child develop skills to help build resiliency that will help them deal with everyday challenges and the more serious challenges they may face. **REGISTER NOW**

November 23, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Nurturing Healthy Self-Esteem

For parents of children and teens. This session will focus on how to create a supportive and engaging environment that helps your child develop and maintain confidence and healthy self-esteem. REGISTER NOW

November 29, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Managing Negative Self-Talk

For parents of children and teens. This session will focus on different strategies to help your child manage and reduce negative self-talk and realize their self-worth. REGISTER NOW

Facilitator: Uma Bhatt, R.S.W. York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families

These free virtual parent presentations are brought to you in a collaborative partnership with York Region District School Board and York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families. For more information contact: Oksana Majaski, Community & Partnership Developer Oksana.majaski@yrdsb.ca





A Different Kind of Healthcare

You're invited!

2022 Community Consultation:

Join the Conversation with VCHC's Executive Director & Leadership Team!

- Learn about VCHC's accomplishments and updates on programs and services
- Provide feedback on issues affecting you and your family and how VCHC can help.

Join Us:

Date: November 9, 2022

Time: 3:30pm-5:00pm

The event will be held virtually over Zoom.

RSVP for a chance to win a prize



To RSVP for this event, please contact Hosay:

Tel: 905-303-8490 Ext. 2630

Email: info@vaughanchc.com

Please RSVP by Friday November 4, 2022

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On the Horizon....

October/November

- 31 Halloween and School Spirit
- 1 Progress Report Conferences Schedule opens to families
- 2 Take Your Kids to Work Day
- 2 Grade 8 trip to Woodbridge College
- 6 12 Treaties Recognition Week
- 9 Earth Rangers presentation
- 11 Remembrance Day
- 17 18 Progress Report Conferences
- 18 P.A. Day school closed to students
- 23 25 Report Cards sent home electronically

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!

Eugenia Korinia Principal Omari White

Vice-Principal