

November 2021



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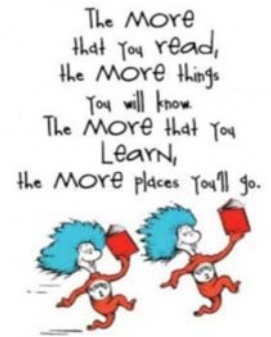
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## *From the Office*

As the month of November gets cooler and we spend more time indoors, I encourage you to read more with your child. Reading helps to develop inference and deduction and comprehension skills. It also involves children regularly writing in different genres and creates a more cohesive learning experience. Literacy is at the heart of the curriculum and the variety of texts children engage with helps to facilitate a range of exciting learning experiences. To quote a famous picture book author, Dr. Seuss. "The more that you read, the more things you will know, the more that you learn, the more places you'll go." Is a great way to remember the importance of reading. Now that public spaces are opening up, consider a visit to the local library. You can visit the public library, either in person or online at <https://www.library.aurora.on.ca/>. You can borrow digital or hard copies of books from the library. Remember to encourage children to read and let them catch you reading too!



Our teachers are looking forward to meeting with parents /guardians and discussing student's progress during parent - teacher interviews on Thursday November 18 and Friday November 19. Parents /guardians have the opportunity to sign up between **November 1st and November 8th**. The interview schedule opened November 1st at 9am for booking. 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](#). **The scheduler will close November 9th at 9am**. If you are having difficulty logging in or booking an interview please call our office at 905-727-9811.

Since the beginning of the school year we have been talking to students about the ABC's of Mental Health. Each month the YRDSB shares a Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter. This month the newsletter takes a close look at the ABCs of Mental Health. It is focusing on A-Acknowledge. To learn more about this framework click [here](#). This month's newsletter will share some information to answer these questions: What does it mean to Acknowledge? Why is Acknowledging important? Please see the whole newsletter attached.

- Nov. 4—Diwali (Diamond Day)
- Nov. 11 - Remembrance Day Assembly (details TBD)
- Nov. 15 - Progress Reports Sent Electronically this week
- Nov. 18 -Parent Teacher Interviews (pm)
- Nov. 19 - Parent-Teacher Interviews (am)/ PA Day—No
- Nov. 5 - Donation Drive Ends
- Nov. 22-26 Bullying Awareness & Prevention Week
- Nov. 29 -Virtual Scholastic Book Fair

As we move into the colder months, please remember to have your child(ren) dress in layers and appropriately for the weather. We do go outside and it can be quite chilly some mornings. Please send a hat, gloves/mittens, scarf, boots and snow pants on cold or snowy days. As the weather changes students become ill. As a reminder, anyone experiencing symptoms, including mild symptoms, even those not included on the [provincial screening tool](#) (e.g, running/stuffy nose, sore throat, etc.) should NOT attend school or child care. Please remember to screen your child(ren) daily before coming to school. Thank you for being conscientious about this and working with us to keep everyone safe. Your efforts as a community are appreciated.

Wishing everyone a great month!



## Remembrance Day

November 11 marks Remembrance Day. We explore our Canadian identity to learn about and recognize the contributions of veterans and the participation of Canadians in various battles that have helped shape our country today. This year, we will be gathering virtually to participate in a school designed Remembrance Day ceremony. Each class will be

contributing to our virtual assembly that will take place Thursday November 11th.

To recognize this day, we invite those who wish to participate to wear red and black.



## Allergies



Parents/guardians we encourage you to avoid the

use of substitute peanut butter products.

• These products tend to look, taste, and smell very much like peanut butter. While the product is nut free, it mimics a known allergen that causes anaphylaxis in some children to the degree that it is indistinguishable from

the allergen. It is a convincing substitute,

opening up the possibility that it can be confused as peanut butter, or worse yet, peanut butter could be confused as this soy-based product.

Please ensure that the snacks are NUT FREE, as we have several children with life threatening allergies.



## Lunch and Snacks

Please remember to pack your child/ren healthy snacks, lunch and water bottles daily.

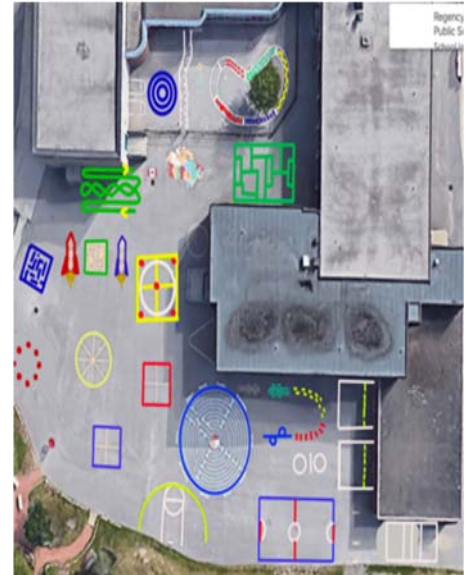
As we have just celebrated Halloween, please monitor your child's lunches and snacks to ensure they are bringing healthy food. Please limit sending 1 treat per day, as students are better able to regulate their emotions, focus and pay attention to academic tasks when they are properly nourished. In addition, please DO NOT send food, snacks or treat containing nuts or peanuts. We have students who have anaphylactic reactions and these items can cause deadly reactions for them. Thank you

*FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL—DONATION DRIVE CONTINUES UNTIL NOVEMBER 8TH.*

Our goal is to revitalize the tarmac outdoor space (draft version only). This will provide a safe outdoor play area while creating new opportunities for physical activities.

As some of our traditional fundraising efforts continue to be on hold the need to support our school and children remains. Our students are enjoying recess and time with their friends. However, over the years the lines have faded. Revitalizing our tarmac, will give our students a safe and engaging place to play.

On behalf of School Council thank you to those who have donated through school cash online. So far we have raised \$1150—this is a great start. We have one more week to go and our goal is to raise \$4000 to help revitalize the tarmac. If you choose to donate, donations can be made quickly and easily using School Cash Online.



*Student Cell Phone Use – Guideline*



Cell phones and other personal communications devices are to be turned off and kept out of sight during all instructional periods, except with the explicit permission of the classroom teacher.

Cell phone camera functions are not permitted to be used on school property without explicit permission from the principal or designate.

Infractions will be dealt with as student discipline, under the Safe and Supportive Schools Policy and Procedure. Students need a clear understanding that inappropriate use of technology, including electronic devices such as cell phones, can result in consequences should the behaviour directly impact the learning environment. For example, posting negative comments regarding school staff or other students on *Social Media* to engage in conversations that affect the physical and/or social/emotional safety of staff and students may result in consequences.

This has been shared with parents and students earlier in September. We want students to understand the privilege it is to use technology in the classroom and that it is for instructional purposes only. Students must learn to demonstrate proper "Netiquette" when using technology. That conducting themselves appropriately and respectfully in person and online is important to their development and the relationships they build and maintain through their education.



*Picture Day is Coming*

We are excited to announce that Picture Day is coming on Wednesday December 8th, 2021. More information will be shared about health and safety protocols closer to the date. In the meantime, please mark your calendars for December 8th!



Lifetouch

# PICTURE DAY IS COMING

Wednesday, December 08, 2021  
Regency Acres Public School

What to Expect:



Students are photographed on Picture Day



Pictures are sent home with your child



Review pictures & purchase on [mylifetouch.ca](http://mylifetouch.ca)

Questions? Please contact Customer Service at 866-457-8212.



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All students will be photographed. Please notify your child's teacher if you do not want an individual picture taken of your child. Your child may be included in a group picture requested by the school.



# Weather Watch



Although it doesn't seem so, it is time to prepare for the oncoming cold weather. A reminder that during inclement weather the following radio stations will be notified of any bus cancellations:

**CJCL 590 AM; CKDX 88.5 FM; 640 AM; JACK 92.5 FM; NEWS 680 AM; CHAY 93.1 FM; CJBC 860 AM; CJEZ 97.3 FM; CFRB 1010 AM; CHFI 98.1 FM; CHUM 1050 AM; CHUM 104.5 FM; CKFM 99.9 FM; CHIN 1540 AM; CJBC 860 AM; CBC 99.1 FM.**

**Brrrrrrrrrr** - As the cold weather descends upon us, it is important that your child comes to school prepared to go outside for recesses. We will go outside each day through the winter in order to take a break and get some fresh air. During periods of extreme cold, our students will remain inside and engaged in quiet classroom activities.

## *Kiss and Ride*



• We encourage families to walk to school as much as possible, as it gets the day started with some fresh air and exercise. However, we know that many of you come by vehicle. We ask that you please arrive between 8:10 am and 8:25 am. The parking lots are for staff access and parking only. When dropping off children please use the Kiss and Ride. Our students' safety is a priority and we will need to work together to ensure that we are following road laws and school procedures. When using the Kiss and Ride please follow these expectations:

- Avoid U-turns - they are illegal and unsafe.
- A Kiss and Ride is continuous a line of cars, pull up as far as you can before unloading
- Do not let children exit the vehicle before you have pulled up
- Have children exit on the school side (curb side) of the vehicle
- Do not stop or park the car to get students out -we will supervise them as they enter the front doors

Wait for the cars ahead of you before driving off (please no u-turns at this point either).





## **2021-2022 School Council**

Everyone is welcome to attend the School Council at Regency Acres Public School. Our next meeting is **Thursday December 2nd @ 7pm**. We will send out the link to join in a separate email. The more people who come out, the more voices we hear from so we encourage everyone to try out a council meeting this year.

Our School Council Executive for 2021-2022 are:

**Chair and Co-Chair:** *Sera & Brendt*

**Fundraising Co-Chairs:** *Claudia & Janine*

**Secretary:** *Kathleen*

**Treasurer:** *Rodney*

**Healthy Schools:** *Rebecca*

Future Tentative Dates for School Council Meetings are as follows:

Wednesday December 2, 2021

Thursday January 20, 2022

Tuesday March 3, 2022

Wednesday May 5, 2022

Tuesday June 16, 2022





## November Virtual Programs

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE FOR CANADA  
Please Register for these Virtual Programs by visiting our website  
[www.earlyonsec.com](http://www.earlyonsec.com)

### MONDAY

**CIRCLE TIME**  
10:00am-10:45am (ages 0-6yrs)

**MUSICAL BABIES**  
1:00pm-1:45pm (ages 0-12 months)

**MUDWORKS**  
10:30am-11:15am (ages 0-6yrs)

### TUESDAY

**CIRCLE TIME**  
10:00am-10:45am (ages 0-6yrs)

**COME & EXPLORE**  
1:00pm-1:45pm (ages 0-6yrs)

**BABY MOVEMENT**  
10:30am-11:15am (ages 0-12months)

**GOODNIGHT STORY**  
6:30-7:15pm (ages 0-6yrs)

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### WEDNESDAY

**CIRCLE TIME**  
10:00am-10:45am (ages 0-6yrs)

**MUSICAL BABIES**  
1:00pm-1:45pm (ages 0-12months)

**LITTLE ARTISTS**  
10:30am-11:15am (ages 2-6yrs)

**TRIPLE P COFFEE CHAT (NOV 24TH)**  
"Disobedience (Toddlers)"  
6:30pm-7:30pm

### THURSDAY

**CIRCLE TIME**  
10:00am-10:45am (ages 0-6yrs)

**SCIENCE ON THE GO**  
1:00pm-1:45pm (ages 0-6yrs)

**FAMILY MATH**  
10:30am-11:15am (ages 0-6yrs)

**\*RUSSIAN COME & EXPLORE (NOV 4TH ONLY)**  
6:30pm-7:15pm (ages 0-6yrs)

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### FRIDAY

**CIRCLE TIME**  
10:00am-10:45am (ages 0-6yrs)

**YOGA**  
11:30am-12:15pm (ages 2-6yrs)

**SING & SIGN**  
10:30am-11:15am (ages 0-12 months)

### SATURDAY

**CIRCLE TIME**  
10:00am - 10:45am (ages 0-6yrs)

### WORKSHOPS

Triple P Coffee Chat "Disobedience (Toddlers)"  
(for parents of children 2-6 years)  
Nov 24, 2021 6:30pm-7:30pm

"It is important to deal with disobedience firmly and decisively when your child is a toddler rather than leaving the problem unchecked. Parents who have taught their toddlers to accept limits and follow instructions find raising preschoolers and school-aged children much easier. This session will help with finding some tips and strategies to deal with disobedience in toddlers".



## Red Cross Stay Safe Course



Offered by Stayin Alive with First Aid, CPR & AED

**Our prices have changed BOOK BEFORE DEC 31ST TO RECEIVE A DISCOUNT ON ALL COURSES, PRICES GO BACK UP TO \$79.65 JANUARY 1ST, 2022**

**Location:** Online using Google Meet (link provided 15 mins prior to class)

**Instructor:** Stayin Alive Certified Red Cross Instructor

**Cost:** \$65 per participant (Grades 3, 4 and 5) + HST

= \$73.45

### Course content:

- Understanding the responsibility of being accountable for yourself
- How to stay safe at home and within the community
- Check, Call, Care (including phoning 911)
- Conscious choking (adult/child/alone)
- Asthma (includes use of inhaler and spacer)
- Anaphylaxis (includes use of EpiPen), poisoning and insect stings
- Wound care (minor cuts and scrapes, splinters, nosebleeds, bumps and bruises, life-threatening bleeding, and burns)

**Register today!**

**Space is limited to 10 per course**

[www.StayinAliveWithFirstAid.ca](http://www.StayinAliveWithFirstAid.ca) Questions? [info@StayinAliveWithFirstAid.ca](mailto:info@StayinAliveWithFirstAid.ca)

**Course materials delivered (address required during registration):**

Red Cross Stay Safe Manual. Red Cross Stay Safe Certificate



## Red Cross Babysitting Course

(with first aid & CPR)

Offered by Stayin Alive with First Aid, CPR & AED

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**Location:** Online using Google Meet (link provided 20 mins prior to class)

**Instructor:** Stayin Alive Certified Red Cross Instructor

**Cost:** \$65 per participant (Grades 5 to 8) + HST = \$73.45

### Course content:

- Check, Call, Care (including phoning 911)
- Conscious choking (adult/child/baby/alone)
- Introduction to CPR (baby/child)
- Asthma (includes use of inhaler and spacer)
- Anaphylaxis (includes use of EpiPen), poisoning and insect stings
- Wound care (minor cuts and scrapes, splinters, nosebleeds, bumps and bruises, life-threatening bleeding, and burns)
- Broken bones, head, neck and back injuries, seizures

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