

# REGENCY NEWS



## Principal's Message

Hello Parents/Guardians,

We have had a successful start to the school year. Our **School Council has been formed** and had its first meeting on Oct. 1st. We have a strong committed group of parents on this committee and have already begun to plan several events for this year. We kicked off our **QSP Fundraiser event** and have already received envelopes with completed order forms back. Thank you parents for your support. Proceeds will go towards the purchasing of new literacy resources for our library and classrooms.

**On Oct. 8** almost 50 students from Grades 4-8 will be representing our school at the **Cross-Country Meet** at Fleury Park in Aurora. The top 15 students in each division will be moving on to the Regional event on Oct. 15th. We wish our students the best of luck. **GO GRIFFINS!!!**

Our **lunch programs** have started due to the tremendous dedication and hard work from all the parent volunteers. Thank you for organizing all the meals and preparing a calendar for easy reference.

This weekend is Thanksgiving weekend so on behalf of all the staff at Regency Acres we wish you and your family a very **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!** We hope you enjoy some extra special time together and take the time to express gratitude.

Lisa Leoni (Principal)



### IMPORTANT DATES:

**Mon., Oct. 12**  
**is a school**  
**Holiday.**

### JOIN US BY EMAIL!

If you are not already on our parent email list and you wish to join (to receive various lunch program forms, be notified of special events or announcements, or other school information), please sign up by going to our school website:

<http://regencyacres.ps.yrdsb.ca/>

Scroll down to the bottom of the page and enter your email address. If you have issues, please contact our school secretary, Judy Sandiford ([judy.sandiford@yrdsb.ca](mailto:judy.sandiford@yrdsb.ca))

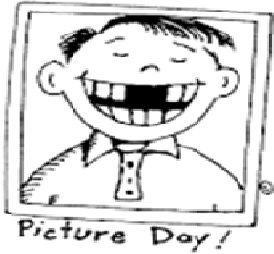
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### MON., OCT. 26th is PICTURE DAY!

Students and classes will be called down to the large gym for their pictures. **PLEASE DO NOT WEAR GREEN!**

**Don't forget to WEAR a SMILE!**



### Our school was selected to participate in "Active Aurora"!

On Wed., May 13th, M.P. Lois Brown proclaimed to the House of Commons that the Town of Aurora will become "Canada's Most Active Community" over the next five years.

We are proud to announce that our school has been selected to participate in "ACTIVE AURORA" which is a community project that works with over 40 community leaders in Aurora who have come forward from a number of sectors to build a sustainable plan to address the challenge of sedentary-related lifestyle diseases that can be reversed through appropriate age-directed programs. **We are 1 in 4 or 5 school communities that have been selected** to receive the following supports:

- A **PLAY DAY** event involving **grades 2-4** students in a multi-sport experience provided by the Town that orients them to fundamental movement skills (FMS) in a playful environment.
- A **Quality Daily Physical Activity Mentorship Program** where a mentor coach will be present to assist and mentor teachers in the delivery of physical activity during the school day. Mentors will monitor the development of students' physical activity during the school day and assess their physical literacy skills during a 12 week period.
- An enhanced **Active and Safe Routes to School program** through public health, school board, community and municipal engagement.
- A **Physical Literacy Summit** to provide leaders from the schools, early childhood education, municipal recreation, public health and other stakeholders with a one-day experience designate to elevate their awareness, interest, and delivery of physical literacy.

Mrs. Moffitt will be coordinating with the Active Aurora Program Committee.

Thank you Mrs. Moffitt for your ongoing support and efforts in making our school a HEALTHIER one!



If you can't stop thinking about it, don't stop working for it.





OR



## PITA LUNCHES (*HELP US DECIDE!*)

On October 6, we offered Pitas from Extreme Pita. For the last two years, we have ordered from Pita Pit, Please let us know which your child prefers, and if you have any suggestions for improvement.

**Please email [lynnpear@sympatico.ca](mailto:lynnpear@sympatico.ca)**

We will be making a decision on which company to proceed with for the rest of the school year by October 15th.

Thank you for your help! We need your feedback!

The Pita Parents

### PITA LUNCH DATES:

- Nov. 10
- Dec. 15
- Jan. 19
- Feb. 16
- March (no Pita Lunch)
- April 19
- May 17
- June 21

## Regency Breakfast Club/Healthy Cart

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Our Breakfast Club will operate differently this year.

We will continue to have a Healthy Cart filled with healthy snacks for students to access throughout the day. Breakfast Club started Mon., Sept. 14th. This year we are trying something new. Upon morning entry, students will take food from the Healthy Schools cart which is outside room 2. **We will no longer be serving breakfast in the staffroom.**

Healthy food donations are always welcome.

Thank you, Breakfast Club

## BOOSTER JUICE

Dates:

Please refer to the school lunch calendar on the last page for dates.

## BOOSTER JUICE

Each month we sell about 200 Booster Juices. Our students love these juices!

**COST: \$3.50**  
*(please send exact amount)*

Thank you to our parents Gwen and Lynn.





## Fall Fundraiser



THE QSP MAGAZINE FUNDRAISER IS HERE!

**Our school goal is to raise \$6000**

Please send your order forms and money to school.

*Help us to raise our goal! We appreciate your support!*



Our QSP Family Reading Fundraiser has started! Not only does this campaign help raise much needed funds but it also promotes literacy.

Please check your child's backpack for all of the information. We are raising money to support the purchase of New Literacy Resources and every child will benefit from the funds raised. Please do your part to support our campaign. We need everyone's help to make it a success.



Thank you so much.

*Note: A special thank you is extended to Jo Greig and other parent volunteers for their hard work in organizing this fundraiser.*

## Milk Program

Our school has a milk program that gives students the opportunity to purchase milk (chocolate or white) for

**75 cents every day at the start of lunch from 12:15-12:25 in front of the milk room.**



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## BEFORE AND AFTER CARE PROGRAM—INFORMATION

Name of Operator: Regency Acres Kids Club - York Professional Care & Education

Website: [www.yorkprofessional.com](http://www.yorkprofessional.com)

Registration Information: (905) 841-1314 Ext. 0

<http://www.yorkprofessional.com/documents/registration-Package.pdf>

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday

Before School: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. & After School: 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Ages Served: 4 years to 12 years

### How Do I Apply and Get on the Wait List for Child Care Fee Assistance?

Call-1-888-703-KIDS (5437) and press option 3 or

<http://www.york.ca/wps/portal/yorkhome/support/yr/childrenservices/childcarefeeassistance>

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YRDSB policy #680.0, **STUDENT TRANSPORTATION** indicates the following:

#### *Non Transportation Zone*

This is an area designated by Board policy as ineligible for school vehicle transportation.

Junior Kindergarten to Grade 3 - a child who lives within 1.2 km of the school is **not** eligible for Board-provided transportation.

Grade 4 to Grade 8 - a child who lives within 1.6 km of the school is **not** eligible for Board-provided transportation.

*Note: Any student with known health problems that may require special consideration affecting transportation need to supply a medical note/plan that would support the Request for Special Transportation (see Policy #662.0, Provision of Health Support Services in School Settings)*

Please note that a Principal must support the board policy.

Parents, if you do not qualify for bussing, please **DO NOT** have your child take the bus in the morning or after school as this poses a safety risk for your child as their names will not be registered as "bus students" which means that in the event of an emergency there will be no notification.

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## Regency Acres' Hallowe'en Costume Shack

During this past month, students had the opportunity to purchase costumes and accessories for \$1-\$5. Thank you to those who donated costumes.

**We raised \$200- proceeds will be going to a local women's shelter.**

Thank you to Pat Morton and other parent volunteers and student volunteers who gave their time to organize, price and sell items. An **extra special thank you goes to Leah Clark** who gave so much of her time and who contacted RUBIES so that we could receive 6 boxes of FREE costumes and accessories.

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## Parent Reaching Out (PRO) Grant

PARENTS  
REACHING  
OUT . . .

Let's celebrate! Regency Acres PRO Grant application has been approved!

### **Money Mentors Workshop for Parents** **Monday, November 16, 7-8:30 p.m.** **Location: School Library**

Our school applied for a grant and the **total funds approved were: \$634.13**  
(of which \$560 will be used toward a workshop for parents and \$80 will be used for refreshments).

We are happy to offer this session to all the parents of Regency Acres P.S. Flyers have been emailed out and there are paper copies at our parent/community table at the school entrance.

The focus of the workshop is to educate parents on "math in the real world!" Parents will learn to marry math and money management and to teach and support students in financial literacy learning. Some key topics will include:

- - understanding value
- - allowance
- - saving and how interest works
- - smart spending
- - budgeting & borrowing



**A special thanks goes out to Sandy Kennedy who made this event possible. Thanks Sandy!**

## Ontario Early Years Program is here!

OEYC is a drop-in program where children ages 0-6 attend with their parents or caregivers. This is not a drop-off program.

During this time, families and their children are welcomed into the program to play and engage in a variety of early learning activities.

We invite you to explore the many services and resources that the program has to offer.

### **WHEN and WHAT TIME?**

**Thursdays 1:30-2:30**

**Fridays 11:30-1:30**

### **WHERE? Kindergarten Room #001**

Note: Parents/Guardians must sign in at the office.



## School Council

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all Regency families for the 2015-2016 school year! Our first school council meeting was Oct 1, 2015. We had a terrific turnout and would like to thank all of the parents who attended. We were thrilled to see many new faces this year.

We formed the School Council for 2015-2016. We have a dynamic team in place and are very excited about the upcoming year and all of the opportunities that lay ahead in order to provide the best experience for all students at Regency.

We encourage the participation of all parents and appreciate any volunteer time that can be offered. There are many ways to be involved at the school (i.e., helping in classrooms, volunteering on field trips, helping with special events, joining a fundraising sub-committee, etc.). School Council works on behalf of the interests of all students and parents and is proud to represent the entire school community.

The Hallowe'en costume shack was a great success! To date (it will still run for a few more days) we have raised \$200 which will be donated to a local women's shelter. Thank you to Pat Morton and Leah Clark for organizing this event, and to all who donated costumes! Please consider hanging on to your children's costumes to donate to next year's event.

Thank you to Lynn Pearson, Gwen Al-Kas, Caroline Wiley and Sandy Kennedy for presenting information on Regency's various food fundraisers: Pita Lunch, Booster Juice, Hot Lunch & Kids Kitchen.

QSP is on and thank you to Jo Greig for heading up this fundraiser at Regency. The kick-off assembly was Oct. 2 and the students are off and running. The funds raised will be used to purchase literacy initiatives and enhancements which will benefit all students. We encourage parents to support this key fundraiser at Regency.

Sandy Kennedy shared with the group great news... Regency has been awarded a PRO Grant which will be used for a parent workshop (Money Mentors) on Nov. 16, in Regency's library. More details will be sent soon, but seating will be LIMITED so please confirm your spot quickly. Lester B. Pearson parents will also be invited to attend.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the library. All parents are welcome to attend!

Joan Lash & Lynn Pearson  
Co-Chairs

### **School Council Meeting Dates:**

- Wed., Oct. 21
- Wed., Nov. 25
- Wed., Jan. 13
- Wed., Feb. 17
- Wed., March 23
- Wed., April 20
- Wed., May 17
- Wed., June 15

### **2015-2016 SCHOOL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Co-Chairs: Joan Lash & Lynn Pearson

Treasurer: Carol McLeod

Secretary: Kim Davies

Fundraiser Co-Chairs: Karyn Clegg & Leah Clark

#### Parent Members:

Sandy Kennedy	Pat Morton	Jillian Snider
Diana Moniz	Gwen Al-Kas	Susan Roy
Laura Parkin		

Teaching Staff: Becky Knowles

Support Staff: *currently unfilled*

Community Representative: *currently unfilled*

Principal: Lisa Leoni (*non-voting member*)

**REGENCY's 2015-2016 LUNCH CALENDAR**

