

Silver Pines Parent **POST** December 20, 2024

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Upcoming Dates

December 20 - Last day of school

December 23 - January 3 – Winter Break

January 6 - First Day Back to School

January 15 - Author Visit – Grade 1-3

January 23 - Junior Girls Volleyball Tournament

January 24 - Junior Boys Volleyball Tournament

Dear Families,

As the holiday season approaches and 2024 quickly draws to a close, we wish to extend warmest wishes for the holiday season and for a happy 2025! We are confident that the two-week break will prove to be a restful and pleasurable time for families to spend together.

To all those celebrating Chanukah, Christmas, Kwanzaa and New Year's Eve/Day, I would like to wish you and your families happy and healthy celebrations.

Thank you to all of you for all that you do to make Silver Pines a great place to be. We look forward to greeting your children upon their return from the winter break on Monday, January 6th, 2025.

Winter Break

Please note that our winter break will be from December 23rd to January 3rd. School will reopen on Monday January 6, 2024.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for the 2025/2026 school year begins on **Friday, January 17, 2025**. Kindergarten registration is often a family's first encounter with YRDSB schools. The [Transition to Kindergarten BWW page](#) and the [School Planning Guide](#) are available to support school teams with planning a welcoming and inclusive transition to school process, including registration and spring Discover Kindergarten and Kindergarten Information sessions.

Kindergarten Registration Options for Families

Families can register using the following options:

- **Online** - Families can access the online Kindergarten registration information at www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten > Registration. It is recommended that families use a laptop or a desktop computer, rather than a mobile device to complete this registration.
- **By email** - Families can download the [Elementary School Registration Form](#) at www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten and email the completed form to their school email address.
- **By phone** - Families can request support to complete the registration form on their behalf by collecting the required information by phone. Families can request an interpreter, if needed.
- **In-person at the school** - Families may visit the school office to drop off or complete a registration form.



FRENCH IMMERSION REGISTRATION

Information Sessions

This year, our Information session for Grade 1 entry into the French Immersion program will take place in French Immersion schools on January 16, 2025 at 7 p.m.. Program locations and additional information is available on our website. If families are unable to attend the information session, they can hear about the French Immersion program on the Tune In YRDSB: French Immersion Podcast.

Registration

FI registration will begin on January 17, 2025. Parents or guardians of Year 2 Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2024, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can email or call their home school office and indicate their intention to enrol. The home school will notify the French Immersion school, and the French Immersion school will contact families by phone or email to collect any necessary information. Families are asked to register by February 10, 2025. Registration during this period is not first come, first served.

Late Registrations

Late registrations are those submitted after February 10, 2025. Late registrations will be treated on a first-come, first-served basis and will be considered subsequent to registrations received during the registration period should overflow be necessary.

WELLBEING AND MINDFULNESS WORKSHOP – JANUARY 23

The Centre for Black Student Excellence (CBSE) invites you to join us in an engaging Wellbeing and Mindfulness Workshop designed to help nurture, balance, build resilience, and practice self-care in today's fast-paced world. Please see the [flyer invitation](#) for more information and to register.

AUTHOR VISIT – AMAYA JAMES - JANUARY 15

We are excited to welcome Illustrator and Author Amaya James to Silver Pines to read her latest book “Afro No” to our Grade 1-3 students.



SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR

We are excited to bring back SPPS Spirit Wear. **All orders are due by December 16th**. Please use the link below or scan the QR Code to place your order

https://stores.inksoft.com/silver_pines_public_school/shop/home

BECOME A SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD

We are looking for caring individuals to help keep our students safe on their way to and from school. Apply online www.RichmondHill.ca or call 905-771-8800


TRIPLE P 0-12 STANDARD GROUP


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The Triple P Positive Parenting Program Group is for parents of children 2—12 years of age. During this 8 week virtual parenting group you will:

- Learn how to create a safe and positive learning environment for your child.
- Learn why your child responds the way they do, and how to support them during challenging moments
- Learn how to build your children's self-esteem and sense of self-worth.
- Learn how to teach children to become independent problem solvers.

 Tuesdays | February 04, 2025 – March 25, 2025

 6:30 – 8:30 PM

 Group Facilitators: Facilitated by Positive Parenting Association Ontario

 Zoom Meeting