

Silver Pines Parent **POST** October 4, 2024

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Upcoming Dates

October 9 - School Council Meeting @ 6:30pm – **NEW DATE**

October 10 - Meet the Teacher Night 5pm-7pm

October 10 - Cross Country Meet

October 14 - Thanksgiving – No School

October 16 - Cold Creek Conservation Area - Grade 6

October 18 - Pioneer Village – Grade 3

October 23 - Community Safety Village – Grade 2

October 23 – Meet and Greet for Newcomers (9am-10am)

October 25 - Grade 7 Immunization

October 28 – Hot Lunch Begins This Week

October 30 – Kindergarten Trip to the Farm

October 31 - Fall Dance-a-thon



Fall is Here!

With the leaves beginning to change colours and the air turning crisp, we welcome the month of October. We hope that each of us experience a sense of gratitude, joy and hope as we approach each new day and opportunity together as a school community.

Rosh Hashanah – October 3-4

Rosh Hashanah is the Jewish New Year and literally translates as 'head of the year.' It begins a solemn ten-day period of contemplation and self-examination, called the Days of Awe, that ends with the Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur. Rosh Hashanah is also known as the Day of Shofar Blowing, the Day of Remembrance, and the Day of Judgement. Rosh Hashanah is a two-day celebration. Many Jewish families gather for a special meal where blessings are recited over different symbolic dishes.

To all those celebrating Rosh Hashanah, we would like to wish you and your families a very happy celebration.



Meet the Teacher Corn Roast – Thursday October 10 from 5pm-7pm

We are excited to see all of our families at our Meet the Teacher Corn Roast. A reminder that you need to place your roasted corn order on school cash online. All orders must be pre-ordered online. Corn will not be sold in person. Please place your order by Friday October 4th.



School Council Meeting – NEW DATE Wednesday Oct 9th at 6:30pm

Families are encouraged to complete the school council nomination form as part of the school start-up forms. Our first School Council Meeting is on **Monday October 9th at 6:30pm.** All are welcome!!

Hot Lunch - We will be starting our hot lunch program the week of October 28th. This first phase will be from October 28th to January 30th

Monday – Mr. Greek

Thursday – Subway

Friday – Pizza

You can make your selections and place your order on school cash online <https://yrdsb.schoolcashonline.com/> **All orders are due on October 17th**

Meet and Greet for Newcomers – Wednesday October 23rd from 9am – 10am

Silver Pines is hosting a meet and greet for newcomers. Join us in the library on Wednesday October 23rd from 9am – 10am. Translators will be present to answer questions regarding school and your community. We look forward to seeing you there.

Lunch Drop-Off

If you are dropping off lunch for your child, please do so before 12:20pm. You can leave the lunch on the table outside of the office with your child's name on it. We have sticky notes and pens for you to use. Children should not be meeting their parents at the door or outside.

Reporting Attendance

Parents/guardians are asked to inform your child's school before 8:30am if your child is going to be absent or late to school. You can do so online by Edsby or calling 905-508-7303 option 1

End of Day - Early Pick-Ups

Though we encourage families to make appointments and other engagements outside of our school hours, we understand that sometimes this is not possible. To limit disruptions to end of day routines in classrooms, we ask that any early pick-ups be **completed by 2:30pm**. The last 30min of the school day is a busy time for students and staff who are engaged in many end of

day activities, and we would like to limit any additional disruptions to the learning of all of our students during this time. As always, please try to inform the office **and** your child's teacher by email/Edsby ahead of time.

Lunch Time Agreement

Students who leave school property for lunch must have parent/guardian permission, otherwise students must stay at school. **The School Start-Up Permissions Form must be completed for all students and returned to the school.**

Students are expected to stay at school during the lunch time hour unless signed out by a parent or given permission on the school start-up form. If you would like to arrange for your child to walk home for lunch, you must complete the appropriate board forms using the link below <https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/>

Students are not permitted to sign themselves out for lunch or for any other reason. Please note that if you are dropping lunch off for your child, you can leave the lunch on the table outside of the office with your child's name on it. We will make every effort not to interrupt classes during instructional time. Food delivery services (e.g. UberEats, Skip the Dishes) will not be accepted. Students are reminded not to share food, utensils or drinks.

School Start-Up Forms

Online Start-Up Forms have been shared by the YRDSB (<https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/>). **Student GAPS login information** will be required for families to complete the forms. The form will include:

- The Start-Up Permission Form **(mandatory)**
- Student Information Consent Form **(mandatory)**
- Request for Faith Accommodations Form
- School Council Nomination Form **(due September 25th)**