

Silver Pines PS Contact Information

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Upcoming Dates

September 23 – 26 – Safety Week

September 25 - School Council Nominations Forms Due

September 27 - PA – No School for Students

September 30 - **Orange Shirt Day**

September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

October 7 - School Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

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



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.



Library

The Silver Pines Learning Commons (Library) is now open to classes. This means students will be allowed to sign out books every week. The following week, books are due back to the library in order to exchange for new ones.

Students in Grades Kindergarten to Three will have a designated book bag with their name and a bar code on it. Please ensure books are returned with the bag weekly.

Students in Grades Four to Eight are expected to keep books in a safe place such as their backpacks or lockers.

We are very fortunate at Silver Pines to have an extensive collection of books, which is still growing!

We appreciate your help in reminding your children to return their library books on time. Should books go missing or become damaged, please send a note through your child's teacher addressed to Ms. Jones who will be running the library this year. You can also e-mail Ms. Jones at leslie.jones-lissack@yrdsb.ca



School Council Meeting

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 7th at 6:30pm.** All are welcome!!



Terry Fox Run

WE DID IT!!!

The annual Terry Fox Run has become a classic Canadian tradition every fall with more than 650 diverse communities across the country coming together to fundraise for cancer research. We did great in our Terry Fox Run today supporting cancer research here in Canada. We reached our goal of \$1000. A “big” thank you to all of our families and our students.

Safety Week – September 23 – 25

During safety week, students will participate in different mandatory drills such as a fire drill, lockdown drill, hold and secure. Your child may come home with specific questions or may discuss these drills with you. We will share more information next week on ways to help guide you when discussing this with your child.

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 GAPPS 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**)