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## Week of November 7, 2022

Upcoming Dates	
Nov. 2-9	Holocaust Education Week
Fri. Nov. 4	School Closed to students. Asynchronous work will be provided.
Tues. Nov. 8	Kid's Kitchen Lunch
Wed. Nov. 9	Photo Day Pizza Day
Fri. Nov. 11	Remembrance Day ceremony 11:30 am Parents/Guardians invited to attend Kid's Kitchen Lunch
Nov. 17 & 18	Parent Teacher Conferences. Details below
Fri. Nov. 18	PA Day (school closed to students)
Mon. Nov. 28	Gr. 7 and 8 Public Health Immunizations

### Schools Closed to Students Friday, November 4, 2022 Due to Canadian Union of Public Employees' Protest

Notice has been provided by the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) that all union members will hold a province-wide political protest on November 4, 2022.

Please note that, on **Friday, November 4, 2022, all schools will be closed to students.** Transportation services are also cancelled for the day (including busing, taxi services, etc.). You must make alternate arrangements for your children on Friday, November 4, 2022.

Homeroom teachers will be communicating with families regarding asynchronous learning activities for the day.



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#### **Parent Teacher Conferences**

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held in person on November 17th (after school) and 18th (morning). You will have an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and learn more about the classroom.

Families will use Edsby, an online platform, to schedule a meeting time with their child's teacher. You will receive an invitation to sign up for a meeting time once the schedules are available.

<u>Edsby</u> is a cloud-based platform that lets families easily reserve times to meet with your child(ren)'s teachers. YRDSB in partnership with Edsby have created a secure platform that protects the privacy of information for families.

Families that already have an Edsby account may use their previously created account. Families who **do not have** an Edsby account will need to create one to access the online appointment scheduler for their child's teachers for the virtual conference. **An up-to-date and valid email address must be provided to your child's home school.** For help creating an Edsby account, instructions can be found on the Board website. An email from York Region District School Board with instructions on how to create an Edsby account will be sent to your email inbox. If you do not receive the email, please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity.

Below is the sample invitation email sent to parent(s)/guardian(s) on behalf of YRDSB.

Edsby has been chosen by [school board name] to provide a modern way for parents and guardians to follower their children's progress at school, receive school updates, and much more.

You are receiving this Edsby invitation because you are listed as a parent or guardian of Lily Goddard.

To activate a new Edsby account, or to connect this student to your existing Edsby account, please click here to accept.

If you have any questions regarding Edsby please contact the school office.

To watch a video that describes how to set up your parent account please use the following link:

https://vimeopro.com/edsby/edsby-help-videos-for-school-administrators/video/144798060

If this message was sent to you in error, or you do not wish to join Edsby, please click here to decline.



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#### **Important Timelines**

**November 7th** Parents' Night schedule opens at 9:00 a.m. 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.

**November 11th** Interview Scheduler closes at (4:00 p.m.)

November 17 - 18th Parent Teacher Conferences. Students are welcome to attend with

their parents.

#### **School Council**

The VDPS School Council is excited to partner with Art Cards by Kids for an exciting fundraising opportunity. Students create artwork in the classroom or at home, and transform their art into cards and other fun products. Parents can purchase their own child's cards with their art on the front and name and age on the back. Plaques, puzzles and ornaments are also available to order.

Deadline to submit artwork-**NOVEMBER 8th.** 

#### How it works:

- 1. Create Artwork!
- 2. Collect artwork at School by November 8th
- 3. Template of card sent back with instructions to order
- 4. Cards ready in time for holidays or any celebrations!





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**Hot Lunch Programs:** 

Monday: Tasty Ya (Go to <a href="https://tastyya.com/">https://tastyya.com/</a> to order)

**Tuesday**: Kid's Kitchen (Go to <a href="https://www.kidskitchen.ca/">https://www.kidskitchen.ca/</a> to order)

Wednesday: Pizza (no longer accepting new orders. Limited pizza

available for purchase each Wednesday for \$2.50/slice)

Thursday: Stay tuned for news about another lunch option

Friday: Kid's Kitchen (Go to <a href="https://www.kidskitchen.ca/">https://www.kidskitchen.ca/</a> to order)

### **Worth Repeating:**

### **School Technology**

We are still missing school Chromebooks from last year. If you have one at home, please return it to the main office ASAP.

### **School Start-Up Forms**

Please complete the School Start-Up forms as soon as possible. We require these forms for many aspects of school programming. They can be found here: <a href="https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/">https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/</a>