

April 2022

Important Dates

April 1-May 1	Ramadan
April 12	Grade 8 Immunization
April 13	International Day of Pink
April 15-18	Easter Holiday, NO SCHOOL
April 19 & 21	Grade 7 CMHA presentations
April 27	Superintendent Taha and Director Sovran visit Arbour Vista
May 2-6	Mental Health Week

Hello everyone,

I am sure everyone is relieved to see some semblance of normalcy, albeit we are not quite out of the woods with COVID. We most certainly respect each person's decision about masks, but still encourage the use of them. Our students have been very helpful and compliant. As things return to normal, we are cautiously re-starting some clubs and sports. Please watch for further details about upcoming events.

Day Schedule for 2022-2023



8:20	School Entry, Classes Begin
8:20-10:00	Instructional Block #1
10:00-10:40	Recess and Nutrition Break #1
10:40-12:20	Instructional Block #2
12:20: 1:00	Recess and Nutrition Break #2
1:00-2:40	Instructional Block #3

Ramadan

We wish all our families celebrating the Holy Month of Ramadan a Happy Ramadan Mubarak. Our school has a dedicated supervised space where students can go if they wish during the Nutrition breaks. We also have prayer mats and a quiet private space in the Library for those wishing to use it.

Hot Lunches

As many of you know we now have permission from Public Health and our board to restart Hot Lunches. These can be purchased through School Cash Online.



ONLINE PAYMENTS NOW AVAILABLE!

For safety and efficiency reasons, we want to reduce the amount of cash and cheques coming into our school. School related expenses such as pizza days, field trips, spirit wear, yearbooks, etc. will be available for online purchase. Please take a few minutes to register so you can enjoy the convenience of online shopping.

Here's how to register:

Step 1:

Go to this website: ugdsb.schoolcashionline.com

Step 2

Register by selecting "Get Started Now" and following the steps.

Step 3:

Respond to the confirmation email, select the 'click here' option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account.



If you have not yet registered for this, the instructions are below.

The following are the vendors we work with:

- Monday Freshii
- Tuesday Subway
- Wednesday Pita Pit
- Thursday Pasta Bowl [Boston Pizza]
- Friday Pizza

A small portion of the proceeds goes to school, which helps us pay for a variety of things, such as i-pads, chromebooks and other equipment.

Grade 8 Year End Celebration

I know many of our grade 8 students are getting excited about their big event at the end of June. Mark your calendar for June 27th at 6 pm. Only 4 guests [not counting the student] per family please in order that we comply with maximum capacity regulations from the Fire Department. An information letter will be sent home shortly with more details.

Earth Day April 22

We will be doing a variety of activities at school, including picking up litter in the school yard (gloves on!), a litterless lunch week, lights off, tech-less time and maybe even a meatless lunch.

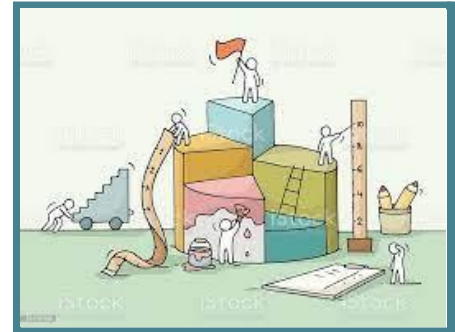
Of course, participation is optional, but we hope as many of our students can participate as possible.

Student Council

Our Student Council is up and running! Thank you to M Gerges and Mme McDonald for supervising and advising and a huge Thank You to all of our Student Council members for their leadership and initiative. Currently, they are working on organizing a Talent Show for June. More details to follow.

Calling All Carpenters!

Our Kindergarten yard is in much need of beautification. We would greatly appreciate any donations of lumber, treated lumber, wood screws, and nails. If you do have something to donate, please just bring it by the school any time during school hours. We, and our littlest people, thank you in advance!



EQAO 2022

EQAO will happen this year, we know that much so far. Further details are still to follow and will be forwarded to parents once we have them.