





ARKLAN COMMUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL

From the ARK ...

Congratulations to Arklan students and their supportive famílies! Arklan staff and students participated in the Terry Fox School Run on September 29th to raise funds for cancer research. A big thank you to Mrs. Lindell for her super support in co-ordinating, motivating, and counting donations for our contribution to cancer research this year. Because of your outstanding support and generosíty, Arklan famílies raísed over \$5000.00!!

We are looking forward to meeting (virtually, of course) many new and recognized faces at the first Parent Council meeting coming up on October 12th at 6:30 pm.

From all of us, to all of you, We wish you all a joyful and restful holiday weekend with your family.

How to Communicate Your Child's Absence...



We, as educators, and you as parents/guardians, all have a duty to ensure the safety of our students. Safe Arrival procedures are a legislated requirement for elementary students in Ontario.

If your child is absent, or you know of a future absence, it is your responsibility to notify the school. Here are some options for contacting the school:

- Report the absence via My Family Room (available 24/7)
- Call the school at 613-257-8113 and leave a message on extension 1. Also available 24/7

If we are unable to contact you through the phone numbers you provide, we will attempt to phone your emergency contacts.

If we are unsuccessful in reaching any contact, and all other options have been exhausted, the board protocol is to report unknown absences to the OPP for a home wellness check.





Does your child or anyone in your family have any ONE or MORE of the following symptoms?

(Answer yes if they are new, worsening, and not related to other known conditions.)

- Cough
- Fever or chills
- Loss of taste or smell
- Shortness of breath
- Nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea
- (for adults only—fatigue, lethargy, muscle aches & pains)

If you answered yes,

- 1. Please keep your child and all siblings home. (Even if they attend a different school.)
- 2. Enter the absences in My Family Room here.
- 3. Follow the Return to School Protocol below.
- 4. If you have questions please contact the Health Unit at: 1-800-660-5853
- 5. When your child meets the requirement below, complete the COVID-19 School Assessment Tool (click here) and the Arklan Return to School Confirmation Form (click here)

To find a local testing assessment center click here.

Return to School/Child Care Protocol for Children/Staff with COVID-19 Symptoms

*This guidance <u>does not</u> apply to high-risk contacts (HRC). If student/staff is a HRC refer to HRC letter from Public Health for directions.

If the child/staff does not get tested for COVID-19

Scenario 1:

If a child/staff member has symptoms related to other known causes or conditions (e.g., shortness of breath related to asthma, nausea related to anxiety) they can return to school/childcare when:

They feel well enough for daily activities.

Household members do not need to isolate.

Scenario 2:

If a child/staff has symptoms as outlined in the screening tool and chooses not to get tested, they can return to school/childcare when:

- They have isolated for 10 days from symptom onset (despite vaccination status); AND
- No fever, and symptoms improving for at least 24 hours (48 hours for gastrointestinal symptoms); AND Must be able to pass
- screening tool Household members who are NOT fully vaccinated*must isolate for 10 days from their last contact with the symptomatic individual who was not tested (and be

able to pass screening tool) before returning to school/

childcare.

Scenario 3:

If a health care provider (HCP) has diagnosed the symptomatic child/staff with a condition that isn't related to COVID-19, they can return to school/ childcare:

No fever, and symptoms improving for at least 24 hours (48 hours for gastrointestinal symptoms)

Household members who are NOT fully vaccinated* can stop isolation and return to school/childcare once HCP has provided alternative diagnosis and are able to pass the screening tool.

If the child/staff tests negative for COVID-19

Symptomatic child/staff may return to school if all the following are met:

- Test results are negative for COVID-19; AND
- No fever, and symptoms improving for at least 24 hours (48 hours for gastrointestinal symptoms): AND

Must be able to pass

screening tool Note: proof of negative test result not required. Household members who are NOT fully vaccinated* must remain home while symptomatic person is awaiting test results. Once the person with symptoms gets a negative COVID-19 test result, household members may return to work/school/ childcare as long as they pass the screening tool.

If the child/staff tests positive for COVID-19

Symptomatic child/staff who tests positive for COVID-19 must follow directions from Public Health (i.e. self-isolate for 10 days from symptom onset and symptoms improving for 24 hours (and no fever).

Household members who are NOT fully vaccinated*must self-isolate for 10 days from last exposure/contact with individual who tested positive. Symptomatic fully vaccinated* members are required to isolate until they receive a negative result.

All household members, including fully vaccinated ones, are recommended to go for a COVID-19 test as advised by Public Health.

Note: If a child lives in more than one household and was in both households in the 48 hrs. prior to symptom onset or while experiencing symptoms, then both households must isolate

* Household members who are fully vaccinated and have no symptoms are not required to self-isolate unless otherwise directed by the local public health unit. A person is fully vaccinated when it has been 14 days or more after receiving their second dose of a two-dose COVID-19 vaccine series or their first dose of a one-dose COVID-19 vaccine series

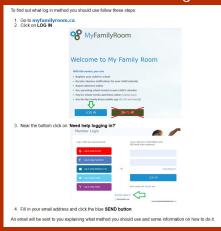






My Family Room Tips & Tricks:

Trouble logging back into your account?

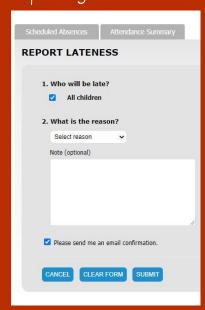


Not sure what code to choose?



Not receiving email from the teacher, school or Board?

Reporting a lateness:



Still have questions? Don't hesitate to call the school. We will do our best to help you, or will find out an answer for you.



Schedule an absence:

CHEDU	LE ABSENC	Ε	
1. Who	will be absent? All children		
2. Whe	en will the child(ren) b	e absent?
From	09/30/2021	at	Beginning of day
To:	09/30/2021	at	End of Day
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Reason explanations

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Medical/Dental:

Parent Approved/Note:

Religious Reasons:

Vacation/Out of Town:

Bad Weather:

Bus/Car Related: cancelled

Family:

Funeral/Wake:

Slept in:

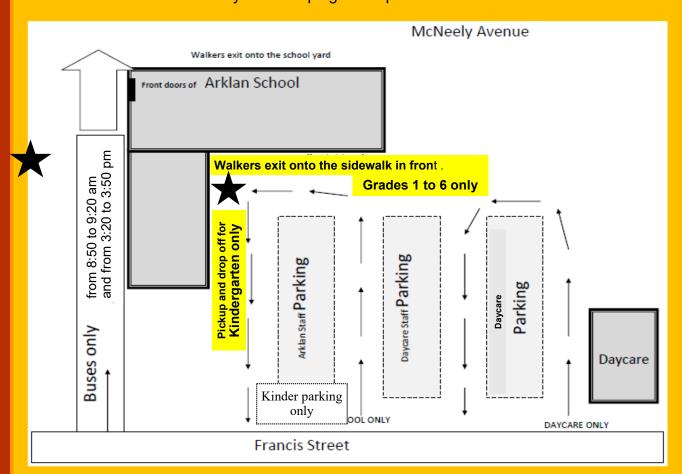




Only 2 Pick-Up Areas at 3:45 p.m.

If you are meeting your child at the end of the day, please meet them outside at the flagpole near front entrance or at the pick-up line in the back parking lot.

Thank you for helping to keep our students safe.



Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.







https://photovisions.ca/

Will be here
ONE DAY ONLY

Thursday, October 14

**RETAKES NOT

AVAILABLE.**

this year due to

COVID-19 restrictions.

Note: Photos taken in front of a green screen. Please **do NOT wear green on** picture day!

Late Arrival

Students arriving after the second bell in the morning (9:25 am) can enter at the front door after parent (s) have signed him/her in at the Welcome Window. If you know ahead of time that your child (ren) will be late, please enter the reason for the lateness in My Family Room. (please click for link)

FALL PHOTOS

www.photovisions.c



GOOD NEWS!

PhotoVisions' COVID aware photography procedure has been reviewed and approved by your school board's Health and Safety.

So, we are ready to safely take your amazing photos – with a few tweaks!
This year all orders will be only available for viewing and ordering from our secure online site

We will not be sending home any paper order forms. All students will be supplied a personal Online Code at time of photography. All photos will then be accessible in approximately 48-72 hours after their session.



PHOTO DATE: Thursday, OCTOBER 14th
A Retake Day is not available at this time.

Early Dismissal

Please help us make dismissal time run smoothly. If you plan to pick up your child (ren) from school early, please notify the office by entering it in My Family Room or call the school before 2:00 PM. We truly appreciate your help In minimizing classroom disruptions.







World Teacher Day

Teachers are the heart of education recovery

<u>Teacher's Day</u> is an opportunity to pay tribute and show respect to teachers for their role and importance in the development of students and society.



THANK YOU!

For giving kids a love for learning.

For teaching kids to believe in themselves.

For giving kids food when they are hungry, mittens when they are cold, and supplies when they have none.

For giving kids encouragement when they need it and a feeling of accomplishment when they can finally say, "I did it!"

For giving kids structure, rules, and sometimes consequences because that is how life works.

For giving kids a sense of fairness in what is sometimes a very unfair world.

For teaching kids that we are all unique, and this is what makes the world such a special place.

For giving us the next teachers, authors, artists, doctors, engineers, lawyers, architects, musicians, and scientists.

THANK YOU FOR GIVING THE TIME, DEDICATION, PASSION AND HARD WORK THAT IT TAKES TO ASSUME ONE OF THE MOST FRUSTRATING, CHALLENGING, REWARDING, AND IMPORTANT JOBS IN THE WORLD!

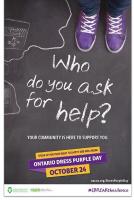
Want to send an email to your child's teacher?

http://arklan.ucdsb.on.ca/our school/staff directory





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	National Custodians Day
Fire Preve	4	5 World Teachers Day	6	7	8	9
10	11 Thanksgiving Holiday	12 Parent Council TEAMS Meeting	13	14 Picture Day	15	16
17 National School	18 Safety and Bus S	19 afety Week	20	21 Early Childhood Educator Appreciation		23
24	25	26	Wear Purple Day	28	29	30



Every October <u>Children's Aid Societies</u> across the province raise awareness about the rights of children and youth to safety and well-being, and the responsibility of adults and community services to help children, youth, and families who need support. On Ontario Dress Purple Day we share this positive message that help is available and to celebrate the community that cares for kids and families.

This year Ontario Dress Purple Day will take place on Wednesday, October 27.





Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day

REASONS TO APPRECIATE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS

- * Greet children, parents and guardians every day.
- * Plan crafts and educational activities.
- * Serve meals and snacks with patience.
- * Clean little hands many times a day.
- * Change shoes, outdoor clothes many times a day.
- * Teach children new skills like tinkering, coding and more.
- * Work as a team with other educators to build a warm, welcoming environment.
- * Plan activities based on children's emerging interests.
- * Support with transitions during the day, from snack to circle time, and back.
- * Teach our little ones how to say 'please', 'thank you', and 'excuse me'.
- * Keep your children safe and happy, especially those with allergies, sensitivities and exceptionalities.
- * Gently push children to learn new skills and habits.
- * Take the time to get down on a child's level and talk to them.
- * Clean up messes and encourage messy play.
- * Give patience during difficult, big emotions.
- * Provide opportunities to build friendships.
- * Show children how to safely cross the street, take a walk, and go places as a group.
- * Work on language building skills.
- * Teach children how to accept new people and appreciate differences.
- * Embrace all children and build a unique relationship with them.
- * Take the time to cut, glue and colour.
- * Keep a positive outlook even when the days are grey.
- * Remember to see the world from a child's perspective.
- * Use the best language possible to positively impact children's learning.
- * Create displays that document the learning of children in their classroom.
- Learn to adapt in difficult situations, like COVID-19.
- * Share what they have learned with their teammates, co-learning together.
- * Show up every day, even when they are tired.





ARKLAN COMMUNITY PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL 2021-2022

Welcome to all returning school families and a special welcome to those families attending our school for the first time.

School Council is an important part of school life and is based on the foundation of parental involvement. School Council acts in an advisory role to the Principal on educational issues, special event organizing and fundraising ventures. Membership of School Council includes the nominated positions of School Council Chair (a parent), a Co-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary. As well, the Principal, Vice-Principal, a teaching staff and a support staff representative are also a part of the council to create a solid, well-represented group to assist in further supporting our students.

With the start of a new school year comes the opportunity to elect a new school council and we are now accepting nominations for these important roles for the 2021-2022 school year. The nomination form is below for your convenience.

Please complete and return to the school by Friday, October 8th, 2021. You are welcome to scan/take a picture of the signed form and email to kathleen.osborne@ucdsb.on.ca.

Elections will take place at the first school council meeting on October 12th, 2021. (Nominations will also be accepted at the meeting prior to voting.)

ARKLAN SCHOOL COUNCIL CANDIDATE NOMINATION

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If you have any questions, you are welcome to call the school at 613-257-8113

All information collected here is confidential and private and will not be shared without your express written permission.