



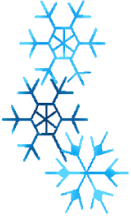


A.J. CHARBONNEAU P.S.

February 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Pizza Day 	2 PA DAY	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Pizza Day 	10
11	12	13	14 Valentines Day  Red & Pink	15	16 Pizza Day 	17
18	19 Family Day (no school)	20	21 Report Cards Go Home	22	23 Pizza Day 	24 
25	26	27	28 Pink Shirt Day	29		

REMINDER - SCHOOL DAY BEGINS 9:15 AM

When dropping off your child(ren)...please ensure you allow enough time for them to go through the schoolyard, not the front entrance.

They should be in the yard BEFORE the bell rings at 9:15 AM

Students have 5 minutes to undress and be ready to learn in the classroom by 9:20 a.m. when teaching begins.

We appreciate your continued support by reducing classroom interruptions and ensuring your children are set for success!

225B Baskin Drive West, Arnprior, ON K7S 0E2

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

SAFE ARRIVAL LINE: 613-623-6512

ajcattendance@rcdsb.on.ca:

Principal: Maria Manwell

Secretary: Jennifer Mackin



Black History Month

During the month of February we recognize and celebrate black Canadians and all of the contributions they have made to our country. From Lincoln Alexander, the first black Lieutenant Governor of Ontario to Viola Desmond, the entrepreneur that challenged segregation in Nova Scotia, to Oscar Peterson the internationally famous pianist, to Michaëlle Jean, one of our Canadian Governor Generals, there have been so many black Canadians that have helped to build our country in every walk of life.

In this era of the celebration of diversity of all types, while recognizing this month, we need to think about a broader term: Black, Indigenous, People of Colour (B.I.P.O.C.). In Canada we have peoples of all colours from our first history and across the globe. Every Canadian has a right to be included, respected, recognized and celebrated.

The theme of 2024 Black History Month is “Black Excellence”: A Heritage to Celebrate; a Future to Build.

We will be learning about some of the history of black Canadians, famous black Canadians and how to show respect for everyone, over the announcements and in our classrooms. There is so much literature, art, music and athletic accomplishment to learn about.



You are invited to reinforce this focus at home by reading about Black History and discussing as much as you can.



Hello AJC Families. We kindly ask that if you are waiting in the kindergarten parking lot, please turn off your engine as the fumes are a concern for staff and students. Thank you for your consideration.

Kindergarten Registration For September 2024

Registration for New Kindergarten Students – Monday January 22 – Friday February 9, 2024

Registering at AJ Charbonneau PS

The Kindergarten program is a child-centered, developmentally appropriate, integrated program of learning for four and five year-old children. To learn more please visit:

[Kindergarten \(Early Learning\) - Renfrew County District School Board](#)

Step 1 - To find out which school your child will attend, visit:

[School Locator/Renfrew County District School Board](#)

Step 2 - Contact the school office to arrange an in-person visit

- By phone: 613-623-6512
- Email the office: mackinj@rcdsb.on.ca

Required Documentation (Bring to school at a time designated by the school):

- Proof of address (utility bill, home phone/cable/internet bill) or proof of tenancy/ownership (Ontario Property Assessment Notice or property tax bill or lease agreement)
- Proof of student's age (birth certificate, registration of birth card or passport)
- Proof of custody where applicable (custody orders, court ordered Guardianship)
- Immigration documents where applicable

Bilingual Kindergarten Program

As part of a five-year plan to grow our French Immersion programming across the District, your attendance boundary school may offer a rich and dynamic bilingual play-based learning environment for your child. Check out the RCDHB website to find out more details about our Bilingual Kindergarten Program.

RCDHU Immunization Procedures

Parents/Guardians should ensure the student's immunization record is up to date by using the secure online **ICON tool** that is specific to Renfrew County and District. This provides Renfrew County and District Health Unit (RCDHU) with an electronic file of immunization records. It is important to verify that you are using the ICON website for RCDHU, by looking at the top, since ICON tools are specific to health unit regions. Should you require assistance with using the tool or are having difficulty accessing the internet, please call the Health Unit Immunization Department at 613-732-3629 ext. 509 or check out the **ICON Tool for School Registration** FAQ sheet.

Extended Day/Before and After Program for Children between Ages of 3 - 12

In an effort to better understand parent interest and determine the viability of establishing Before and After care at sites across the District, we are asking you to declare whether you would enroll your child in a School-Based Extended Day/Before and After Program for students from Junior Kindergarten up to age 12.

School-Based Extended Day/Before and After Programs operate within the school by an Early Childhood Educator with options for before and after school care and are meant to complement regular school day programming. They are contingent on enrollment and are funded from parent fees. Subsidies may be available from the County of Renfrew [Fee Subsidy - Renfrew County Child Care and Early Years Division](#)

The School-Based Extended Day Program Family Survey form can be completed by using *this Google Survey link* <https://forms.gle/yYSmL5ZTuojsAC2r7> at the Board's website <http://www.rcdsb.on.ca> select the *Extended Day/Before and After Program* page from the Programs drop down menu.

The Use of Personal Electronic Devices Cell Phones, iPads, etc.

Renfrew County District School Board has an Policy: 141: Computers, Network, Electronic Devices.

Key points for elementary students are:

Personal technological devices may be used under the direction of a teacher during instructional time for educational purposes. We emphasize responsible and safe use as referenced in Board Policy.

Students may not communicate with home from their personal devices at school. If they are not feeling well or need to talk with someone at home, they need to talk to their classroom teacher and use a phone at the office so that the school is aware.

The school and/or RCDSB is not responsible for personal technological devices in the event of loss, damage or theft.

If a student violates Board/School policies, their personal technological device may be confiscated and returned to the parent or guardian or returned after the instructional day.

Cyber bullying is using electronic means to intimidate, harm, shun, attack or ruin a reputation. Cyber bullying includes the use of e-mails and instant messaging, text or digital imaging sent on cell phones, web pages and web logs (blogs), chat rooms and discussion groups. These behaviours are not tolerated at school.

Using an electronic device to violate the privacy or integrity of someone else is prohibited in all areas, especially those where there is an increased expectation of privacy, such as washrooms or change rooms.

The taking of photographic images of a person or persons on school property, at school events, and during school activities and/or school hours is prohibited without the permission of the person or persons being photographed unless it is for a school sanctioned activity (i.e. yearbook, school paper).

Dressing for Winter Weather



Given the winter climate in Renfrew County, it is important that students come to school prepared for the cold. **Hats, boots, mitts or gloves**, as well as a **winter coat** should be worn to school.



It is also a good idea to provide **extra mitts or gloves** and **socks** in case the first set gets wet. As a general guideline, the Renfrew County District School Board recommends inside recess when temperatures drop below -22 degrees Celsius, with the wind chill factored in.



School Council Corner

2023/24 Meetings

Thursday, April 4th, 2024 @ 6:00 pm
Thursday, May 23rd, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

Meetings will be a hybrid model of in person and virtual.

If you would like to be added to the "invite" list to attend the meetings,
please email: manwellm@rcdsb.on.ca

2023/24 Executive

Co Chairs: Marli Nicol & Krystal Sayer
Secretary: Amy Terkuc

Yard Supervision

Reminder to Parents

The teaching staff
begins formal supervision
of students at 9:00 a.m.

**STUDENTS ARE
NOT
PERMITTED TO BE
ON THE YARD
BEFORE 9 A.M.**

PIZZA DAYS

No late orders will be accepted.

Payments must be made through School Cash Online.

If you need assistance getting set up on School Cash online,
please call the office or email: mackinj@rcdsb.on.ca



Thursday, February 1
Friday, February 9
Friday, February 16
Friday, February 23

Due Date: Jan. 23
Due Date: Jan. 30
Due Date: Feb. 6
Due Date: Feb. 13

Friday, March 1
Friday, March 8
Friday, March 22
Thursday, March 28

Due Date: Feb. 20
Due Date: Feb. 27
Due Date: Mar. 12
Due Date: Mar. 19

PLEASE NOTE:

There are sometimes slices left over that students can purchase. However,
we cannot guarantee that your student will be able to get one. Please
purchase by the due date through school cash online.

Milk Order - March 2024



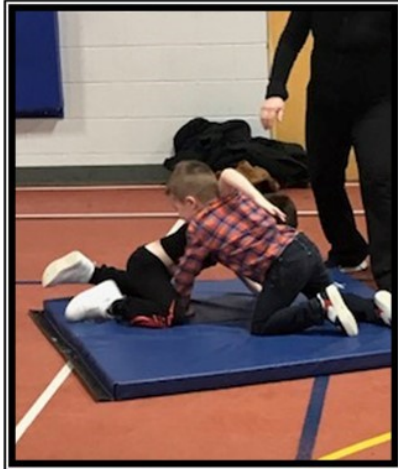
We are offering white or chocolate milk for \$0.75 each
for the month of March (15 school days) for a total cost of \$11.25

Refunds are not available due to the occasional absence.

Please consider missed days a donation to the school.

The last day to order milk for this period is February 20th.

INUIT GAMES JANUARY 31



A.J. Charbonneau Council Presents

Family Game Night



Friday, March 1st ~ 6-8pm

Join us for an evening of games for all ages! From classic board games to interactive group challenges, there's something for everyone!

Games ~ Puzzles ~ Craft Corner ~ Snack Bar



Soft Drinks!



**Popcorn!
Candy!**



This is a cash-only event with proceeds supporting field trips and school events

Parents/guardians are required to stay with their children for the duration of the event.

