



Let's Get Started!

THE CORNER BULLETIN: DON MILLS campus Back to School

WELCOME TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR! PLEASE POST THESE IMPORTANT DATES! [HTTP://NEWS.CORNERSTONEPREP.CA.](http://news.cornerstoneprep.ca)

GREAT BEGINNINGS

Welcome back to another exciting year! You are welcome to join us so that we can support each other in fostering a positive, nurturing learning environment for your son or daughter. Date changes will be posted it at <http://news.cornerstoneprep.ca>.

2018/19 Calendar of Events

Special Events:

Curriculum Night	Sept. 24
Little Kids Big Fun - Casa	Sept. 19 Nov.28, Jan.23
Mystic Drums Casa- Gr 3	May 24
School Photo Day & ID cards	Sept. 26
Grade Photos SK/8/12	Apr. 10
Character Dress Up Day: Casa-12	Nov. 2
Xmas Marketplace/Samaritan's Purse	TBD Dec. 13
Wanda's Clay Casa -4	Nov. 15; Jan. 17
In The Mix Gr. 6.5	Jan. 22
Robotics Gr. 1-8	Nov. 16, Jan.25 Mar.22, Apr.26
Down To Earth JK-8	Jan. 31
Speech Preliminaries	Feb. 25
Speech Finals	Feb. 28
Chinese New Year (Yr. of the Pig)	Feb. 14
U Can Do It: Casa -4	Feb. 26
French Competition Gr. 1-8	Apr. 4
Autumnlicious	Oct. 10

ARC Science Gr. 1-5	Sept. 21, Nov. 23 Feb. 8, Mar. 29, May 17
Reptilia Casa -5	Mar.28
Science Fair	May 15
Davis Orthodontics Gr. 1-3	May 9
Dress Down Days	Sept. 21, Nov. 16 Dec. 20, Feb. 8, Apr. 17
Mandarin Competition	May 2019
Coptic Fair	October 26

Concerts/Graduation Ceremonies:

Christmas Concert	Dec. 19
CMPS Maytime Musical	May 22
CMPS SK/8/12 Graduation	June 24

Chapel Dates: (times TBD)

Sept. 14, Oct.12, Nov.9, Dec 12, Jan. 14,
Feb. 15, Mar. 1, Apr.5, May 10, June 5.

Exams & Interviews:

Term 1:	
Examination Week	Nov. 5-9
Report Cards	Nov. 30
Interview Day CMPS	Dec. 3

Term 2:	
Midterm Examinations	Mar. 4-8
CAT Tests SK-12	Mar. 18-22
Literacy Test Gr. 10	Mar. 27
Report Cards	Apr. 8

Interview Day CMPS	Apr. 15
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Term 3:

Examination Week: CASA	June 4-8
Final Exams: Gr. 1-12 Part 1	June 6-13
Final Exams Gr. 7-12 Part 2	June 20-25
Final Exams Gr. 1-6 Part 2	June 19-25
Report Cards Casa -12	June 26
Interviews By Appointment Only	

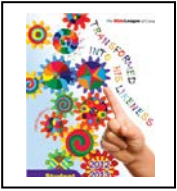
Sports & Fitness Events:

Running Club	TBD 7:00 A.M.
Terry Fox Run	Sept. 27
Cross Country Gr.3-8	Oct. 18
Co-Ed Volleyball Gr. 5.6	Nov. 27
Boys' Basketball Gr.4-6	Feb. 4
Track & Field Gr. 3-6	May 30
Outdoor Camp Gr. 7-12	May 5-7
Jump Rope for Heart	May 3
House Leagues	TBA

PLEASE POST THESE DATES!

Parent News Site:
news.cornerstoneprep.ca

HOMEWORK/AGENDA.COMMUNICATIONS



Pre-K to Grade 12

Our agenda books are used as a basic communications tool as a tangible way to develop our students' sense of responsibility and time management skills. Homework will be assigned daily to reinforce their independent learning at home. Parents need to monitor their children's homework time and to let teachers know if there is any difficulty so that we can follow up on these learning gaps in class time with your child. To support this, we ask you, as parents, to review their agenda books with them every day so that your child can develop effective time management skills. Teachers will be using clasdojo, edmodo or other electronic means to keep in touch with parents on a regular basis

School Uniforms



Blazers:
Gr. 7 -12



We expect all students to be in full uniform (regular and gym) at all times. Any hair

accessories, if worn, must be those purchased at InSchoolWear which matches our school uniform or it must be a solid colour of royal blue, white or gold. No other colours/patterns are acceptable. Black shoes must have non-marking soles on the bottom to avoid marking our floors. Students from Grades 7 and up are required to also wear blazers as part of our senior division. Fees for non-compliance will be donated to our city missions.

TEXTBOOKS & SNACKS

SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS

Core textbooks for various grades are assigned to our students for the year. If books are lost or damaged, students must replace them at full cost, therefore it is advised that texts are not lent out for another's use. Students are given two weeks to find any lost books before replacement texts must be purchased. No refunds are available even if the missing book is found later. Saxon Math texts are rented to our students.

HEALTHY SNACKS & BIRTHDAYS



We ask students to bring a bottle of water each day as well as a healthy

snack such as fresh fruits and vegetables. Also be reminded that we are a peanut free environment in order to be a safe and healthy place. We limit BD times by recognizing your child's birthday but do not wish candies etc. to be shared due to potential allergies. Limited special baked products must have ingredients listed. Please check with teachers first.

AFTER 4, TUTORIALS, HOMEWORK CLUB and SPECIALTY PROGRAMMES



We continue to provide our regular After programme for Grades 1-6 plus our CASA after school care. If there is enough interest for a homework club, then we can arrange for this time of after school tutorial but we require minimum of 10 students to open it.

After 4 Programme.....\$200/month
Casa After Care.....\$200/month
Homework Club: Gr. 1-6.....\$300/month

If you have not pre-registered your child in these programmes, please see the school office. There is NO supervision for students who have not registered in the above programs.

Morning Building Entry

For safe and efficient morning entry, we do ask the parents to register for a building fob as this will enable you to enter the building if there is no one at the front desk to buzz you in. Morning entry procedure is as follows:

CASA studentsproceed directly to the CASA Morning Room with Mrs. Fan.
Grades 1-12.....ALL students to go to the morning gathering room.

Parents are to drop their children off in the foyer area please and not at the individual classrooms. **Late entry students MUST report to the office for a late pick up slip. Office Personnel will then escort your child up to his/her classroom. Thank you.**

Late Pick Up:

NOTE: for those not registered for After 4 activities, late pick up fees will be in place beginning at 4:10 P.M. Please respect this policy. If you are caught in traffic, PLEASE call the school as soon as possible. We do not want your child to be worried. Reminder: pick up your child before 4:10 P.M. as there is NO supervision. Pick up area is in the front foyer area. Thank you.

Continuing.....

Little Kids Big Fun Inc will lead our CASA children through some fun and active learning !

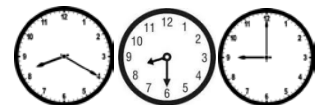
ARC Science Workshops: as a way to continue our fascinating Science camp workshops, ARC EDUCATION will lead a series of 5 workshops to students Gr. 1-5. Watch for these exciting hands-on experiential science discovery times!

Robotics Workshops will continue for a series of four workshops for Grades 1-8. These will be led by Professor Duquette who will teach them how to assemble their robots and mobilize them through remote control units.

French Competition

We are proud to continue with our French Competition as a way to encourage and inspire our students to use French in their conversations Hoping to generate more interest in composina French poetry !

BE ON TIME FOR SCHOOL!



8:20 A.M.....Gr. 7-12
8:30 A.M.....JK - 1-3

Daily attendance and punctuality play an important role in developing effective life skills. Those arriving late will be missing important parts of their learning and will need to find ways to get caught up in their work. Being habitually late has a negative impact on your child's learning so we ask all parents to demonstrate your responsibility in getting your child to school on time as a way to respect our learning environment. This is greatly appreciated.

September Bootcamp

We continue our tradition of having a month long boot camp to reinforce positive life skills in being punctual, respectful, diligent in our work habits, being in full uniform, managing time, being obedient and self-disciplined, lining up quietly, going up and down stairs safely, gathering all school materials needed for each class and other daily skills that need to be developed into a life-long habit. We ask that you support your child as we go through this month together !

School Supplies & Organizational Skills



If you did not receive your current list of school supplies, please visit our parent website at news.cornerstoneprep.ca where all current lists and information is posted.

You need to help your child purchase all the necessary school supplies so that he/she will be well equipped for their daily learning. This will impact their success and their capacity to develop the life skills we are teaching them.

Cornerstone has a school wide procedure for all our students, in all grades, to organize their binders and school notes so that they are organized, easily accessible and minimizes the loss of precious school work that has been done. Your support in providing these necessary supplies is truly significant in helping them learn these organizational skills that will be with them up to their university years. Thank you.

Civilization 100

Our focus on SOCIAL GRACES in our daily lives will continue to be taught throughout this school year. We have scheduled time each week to address these life long skills on etiquette as we feel they are an important aspect of life to be developed.



Music Programme

Music continues to be an integral part of our Cornerstone foundation for the development of self discipline. These will be taught by Ms. C. Kim and Mr. Venables, both dedicated musicians, to lead our instrumental classes for all our students. We invite students to stay with the same instrument a few years in order to develop a greater sense of proficiency and need your support in encouraging your child to practice regularly so that there is a high level of skill being developed in all areas of education.

Mandarin Speech Competition

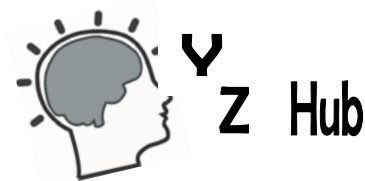


We will continue to register our students for the Mandarin Lions Festival for the Speech Arts competition that is a province wide event. Under the careful mentoring of Mrs. A. Tsao, we look forward to another rewarding experience as our students learn to apply their linguistic and public speaking skills.

Workshops on & off Site

As we continue to enrich our learning environment, CMPS continues to seek out additional professional workshops on site at the school. We are introducing a creative gym movement CASA workshop with Little Kids Big Fun Inc. More of Wanda's Clay Workshop will be offered to the Casa -3 classes while other classes will focus more on STEAM activities. Throughout the year, we will continue to have access to workshops presented by Reptilia Let's Talk Science, Down to Earth (archeology), In the Mix, U Can Do It Woodworking & others as they come up.

Carefully selected field trips will enrich and supplement what is being taught on site. We invite you to join us on these great experiential learning times.



New Initiative is our
Cornerstone's YZ HUB

which are our innovative learning sessions scheduled regularly throughout the year as a time to brainstorm solutions to problems in a highly collaborative setting. Our goal is to nurture more deep critical and reflective thinking in all our students from the primary to senior grades. Our two main questions posed to the students are Why and What if? These will hopefully provide a new perspective on an idea or concept that is taken for granted as well as provide opportunities for students and faculty to probe for innovative ways to understand, interpret and design new solutions for everyday problems, local and/or global issues, scientific theories or any ideas generated from their studies..

The Parent's Corner

The summer months have flown by and the challenge now is to get school back in the minds of your children. Getting back into the daily routine is the fastest and most effective way to get ready for 10 months of schooling!

- **Re-set sleep patterns:** keep regular bedtimes both weekdays & weekends. Try to be as consistent as possible.
- **Re-set eating habits:** To ensure your child sustains a high level of productive energy, provide a healthy breakfast as well as midday snacks that have a good balance of proteins and healthy carbohydrates.
- **Exercise their brains:** start reviewing basic math and reading skills to get them back into the mode of critical thinking.
- **Set academic goals:** sit down with them to help them list their goals for the year. Also discuss their clubs and extracurricular activities they wish to participate in.
- **Identify priorities:** what are the important things to do each day?
- **Social media:** discuss how this is going to be managed.

Be Consistent !



School Holidays



2018-2019

CIVIC HOLIDAY..... MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2018

TEACHERS' PROFESSIONAL DAY..... FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 2018

* CHILDCARE AND CAMP PROGRAMMES ARE CLOSED*

LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY..... MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2018

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2018.



THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY..... MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2018.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS..... FRIDAY DEC. 21, 2018 – JAN. 4, 2019.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2018.
SCHOOL REOPENS ON: MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019.

FAMILY DAY..... MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2019.

MARCH BREAK..... MONDAY –FRIDAY, MARCH 11-15, 2019

EASTER..... FRIDAY, APRIL 19, 2019 –MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2019.

VICTORIA DAY..... MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019.

LAST DAYS OF SCHOOL..... TUESDAY JUNE 25, 2019...SENIOR SCHOOL (Gr.7-12)

WEDNESDAY JUNE 26, 2019...JUNIOR SCHOOL (Gr.1-6)

CANADA DAY..... MONDAY JULY 1, 2019.

CIVIC HOLIDAY..... MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019

LABOUR DAY..... MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2019.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL..... TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019.

