



Good day AYJ Community,

We made it to the end of the 2021 School Calendar Year. We want to take this opportunity to thank our full AYJ Community for their co-operation in making the start of this most difficult school year so successful.

While we hope to be back in the building for our scheduled January 3rd return date, we do ask that everyone keeps their eyes on the local news sites to ensure that this plan remains in place.

Our staff is equipped to pivot on short notice, so regardless of what news comes out, we will be prepared.

Happy holidays to all!

Please take the time to review the items below:

Holiday Hampers

Each year it has become a tradition that the classes/students/staff at AYJ partner with our local Toronto Police Services Division (TPS) to support the immediate families in our community with our Holiday Hampers gift and food drive.

Our local TPS partners have identified a group of families from our community who would benefit from a little “extra” this holiday season to provide some much needed necessities and joy.

Each family is described with their family dynamic & some needs and is designated by their family number.

This year’s pick up/delivery date occurred on Wed Dec 15th (see the attached photos).

Once again we were overwhelmed by the unbelievable efforts of the AYJ staff & student body in partnership with the Toronto Police Services 33 Division for their tremendous donations of gifts and dry foods supporting local families in our community.

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Rapid Antigen Test Kits for Student Use over Winter Break

Earlier this week, all in-person learners were given a Rapid Antigen Test Kit to take home for the winter break. These kits are intended for use by our students regardless of their vaccination status. Your child’s participation in this rapid antigen testing is **voluntary**. Students are not required to participate in order to return to the classroom after the break.

Full details as to the facts behind this program are attached in the letter below as well as some instructions as to how to use the tests most effectively (also attached below).

[20c-Rapid Antigen Test Kit Central Letter.pdf](#)

[20c-Rapid Antigen Test Kit Instructions.pdf](#)

Coach Phillips and the PBAA (Youth Basketball group) Holiday Meal Kits

Join us this Holiday Season at the Galati Fresh Market parking lot on **December 23rd at 11am** to pick up your Holiday meal kit. We have 50 meal kits for the community.

Please email mark@pbaa.ca to reserve a kit. These kits are available on a first come first serve.

Come enjoy some hot chocolate and music to begin the celebration of the season!!!

Late Start Wednesdays

Our next Late Start **Wednesday** is scheduled for:

Wednesday, January 19th

Our schedule for our late start Wednesdays is as follows:

Late Start Schedule

9:45am to 10:00am	Student Entry
10:00am to 12:00pm	Period 1
12:00pm to 12:45pm	LUNCH
12:45pm to 2:45pm	Period 2

Important Upcoming Dates

Mon Dec 20th to Sun Jan 2nd

Winter Break

Monday, January 3rd

First day of classes for 2022

Wednesday, January 19th

AYJ Late Start Schedule – student entry begins at 9:45am

That's all for now AYJ,

Have a great winter break,

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Peter Paputsis (he/him)

Principal

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See the light . . . BE the light!

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