



Assikinack Public School

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2021-22 Kindergarten Registration

Is your child turning FOUR in 2021? If so, it is time to register for Kindergarten!

Simcoe County's public schools are now registering children for Kindergarten for the 2021-22 school year. Visit our [registration page](#) for information on how to register using the online registration application. Upon completion of the online form, the school will contact you to finalize the registration.

To find your local public school, use the [Home School Locator tool](#). If you are not sure which school serves your area, please call our Planning and Enrolment Department at 705-734-6363, ext. 11218, or 905-729-3600, ext. 11218. For more information about your home school, including contact information, use our [School Search](#).

We look forward to learning and growing with you and your child! In the meantime, please explore the activities, resources and videos on our website that will give you and your child an idea of what to expect when your journey with the SCDSB begins!

For more information on the registration process and documents needed to register, visit our website at www.scdsb.on.ca.

Terry Fox School Run

We are proud to announce that Assikinack Public School's Terry Fox School Run collected \$1,310.00 for cancer research!

The Terry Fox Foundation extends their heartfelt thanks for your generosity and support in this very challenging year.

Terry's message of hope lives on and remains strong!

If you didn't get a chance to donate, our school donation link is still open: <http://www.terryfox.ca/>

[AssikinackPSBarrie](#) #tryliketerry

School Council Meeting

February 1st's School Council meeting has been postponed to Monday, March 1, 2021.

Let us know if you'd like to join us virtually and we will email you the link prior to the start of the meeting.

We hope to see you there!

Character Trait for February: Inclusiveness

Mabel's Labels

Tired of losing their items to the lost and found? You need Mabel's Labels!!



Visit

campaigns.mabelslabels.com to place your order and support our school's fundraising campaign!

Mabel's Labels are easy to order, take seconds to apply, they are laundry, dishwasher and microwave SAFE!!

Customize your own label pack with adorable designs today!

All labels are shipped FREE!

Again, visit campaigns.mabelslabels.com and choose Assikinack! It's as simple as that!

FlipGive Fundraiser

This season, fundraising for Assikinack Public School is going to be so much easier with FlipGive, a free team funding app. We earn cash back on every purchase we make all year long! All you have to do is shop anytime with the brands you already love, like Home Depot, Walmart, Amazon, Sport Chek, Indigo, Old Navy, Apple, Esso, and Loblaws. No more going door-to-door selling chocolate bars - it's completely virtual and contactless. Join our team now and you'll get a \$5 bonus the first time you shop: [https://](https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?fundraiser_name=Julieanne&joincode=G49BS4)

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Or enter this code: **G49BS4** Any questions, just ask!

Want to learn more? Check out this two minute video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5vTO_Qg4n80

Resources to Help During this Challenging Time

During these challenging times, you may be worried about your child(ren)'s mental health and well-being. You may notice that they are anxious or unsettled and perhaps have told you that they are worried about someone in the family getting the virus. They may be confused about why usual activities are disrupted or may be disappointed to miss something that they were looking forward to. All of these things are very natural at this uncertain time.

Check out these resources at School Mental Health Ontario: [Parents and Families - COVID-19 - School Mental Health Ontario \(smho-smso.ca\)](https://www.smho-smso.ca) You can also visit the SCDSB mental health and well-being resource page: [Mental Health and Well-being Resources - Simcoe County District School Board \(scdsb.on.ca\)](https://www.scdsb.on.ca)

Support Your Child with Math with These Learn@Home Tips

Looking for ways to support your child with math while they are learning from home? Try these simple tips to help your child develop their understanding and skills as a mathematician.

Have manipulatives on hand - Small objects like LEGO, bread tags, beans and coins make great manipulatives for counting, patterning and problem solving.

Provide scratch paper or white board - Drawing a picture or model can help students represent their thinking and make sense of a problem. If they are feeling stuck, visualizing and drawing it out can help!

Ask questions - When students are having difficulty with a problem, we want to help. Try using questions to support their thinking, rather than showing them the solution. Asking questions like *What can you do next? Do you see any patterns? What can you draw to help you solve? Can you solve it another way? What do you know and what do you need to find out?* These questions will help your child develop their own ideas and build their understanding.

Find math everywhere and talk about it - Whether you are headed out for a walk, baking or working on a building project, talk about the math involved. Estimation is a fundamental math skill we use daily and can easily be practiced at home. Ask questions like *How many steps do you think it'll take to get to the stop sign? or How many teaspoons will we need if we double this recipe?*

Have fun - Math can be challenging, and challenges are fun! It's important to support children with maintaining a positive mindset about math, even when it's a challenge!

February 2021

SCHOOL BUS WEATHER ZONE: **CENTRAL** — www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Register for Junior Kindergarten!					<i>P.A. DAY - No school for students today</i>	
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	<i>School Council meeting postponed until March 1st</i>	<i>Groundhog Day!</i>				
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		16	17	18	19	20
		<i>Report Cards Go Home</i>	<i>National Random Acts of Kindness Day</i>			

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School Schedule

- Learning Block - 8:55 am until 10:35 am
- Nutrition Break - 10:35 am until 10:55 am
- Chill Time - 10:55 am until 11:15 am
- Learning Block - 11:15 am until 12:55 pm
- Nutrition Break - 12:55 pm until 1:15 pm
- Chill Time - 1:15 pm until 1:35 pm
- Learning Block - 1:35 pm until 3:15 pm