In keeping with Indigenous Protocol and building respectful relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples in Canada, it is customary to acknowledge the Traditional Territories/Ancestral Lands of Aboriginal peoples. Please note that the respective acknowledgement below for your school is to be made daily as part of opening exercises prior to the national anthem. Kindly keep in mind that this acknowledgment can also be made at the beginning of events, gatherings and meetings.

Treaty acknowledgement text for the Toronto Purchase area (east of Brown's Line to Woodbine Avenue and the areas north towards Newmarket).

“I would like to acknowledge that this school is situated upon traditional territories. The territories include the Wendat (wen-dat), Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nation, the Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-sho-nee) Confederacy, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nations, and the Métis (may-tee) Nation.

The treaty that was signed for this particular parcel of land is collectively referred to as the Toronto Purchase and applies to lands east of Brown's Line to Woodbine Avenue and north towards Newmarket. I also recognize the enduring presence of Aboriginal peoples on this land.”

You can view a map showing all of the treaties in Ontario at the following website: https://www.ontario.ca/aboriginal/treaties

Treaty acknowledgement text for Williams Treaties area (east of Woodbine Avenue).

“I would like to acknowledge that this school is situated upon traditional territories. The territories include the Wendat (wen-dat), Anishinabek (ah-nish-nah-bek) Nation, the Haudenosaunee (ho-den-oh-show nee) Confederacy, the Mississaugas of Scugog (skoo-gog), Hiawatha (hi-ah-wah-tha), Alderville First Nation and the Métis (may-tee) Nation.

The treaty that was signed for this particular parcel of land is collectively referred to as the Williams Treaties of 1923 and applies to lands east of Woodbine Avenue. I also recognize the enduring presence of Aboriginal peoples on this land.”

You can view a map showing all of the treaties in Ontario at the following websites: https://www.ontario.ca/aboriginal/treaties http://www.williamstreatiesfirstnations.ca/maps/