THE FOUNDATION FOCUS

CREATING LEGACIES.....BUILDING DREAMS!

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS



Mrs. Florence Darby

As Ardenne moves closer to the celebration of its 100th Anniversary in 2027, there is a growing sense that we are standing at a very special point in our school's history.

This quarter, that sense of progress is visible. The Ardenne Alumni Wellness Centre is no longer simply a plan on paper. Construction is advancing, the building is taking shape, and our project team continues to report encouraging progress from the site.

At the same time, the Foundation is renewing another important commitment to student welfare through the Brunhilde Chin Lunch Programme. For more than three decades, Mrs. Chin championed the simple but powerful belief that no Ardenne student should have to learn while hungry. We are proud to carry that legacy forward.

We are also preparing for the next chapter of the Foundation itself. Our new website will provide Ardennites in Jamaica and across the world with a stronger way to follow our work, support our programmes, volunteer and reconnect with the school.

And 2027 is coming. Planning has begun for the Centennial edition of the Optima 5K Run/Walk, and we want this event to be one of the signature public activities of Ardenne's 100th Anniversary year, bringing together students, *alumni*, families, corporate Jamaica and the wider diaspora in support of a lasting legacy.

Our alumni chapters are adding their own energy to the Road to Ardenne 100, with exciting activities in New York and London. These events remind us that Ardenne's community is global, but our connection to 10 Ardenne Road remains strong.

There are many ways to be part of what is happening: donate, sponsor a student, volunteer, join the 5K committee, support a Road to 100 event, rally your year group, or simply help us share the story.

Ardenne was built by generations who believed that what they did today could make tomorrow better. As we approach 100 years, it is now our turn ***to build, to care, to give back.***

Deo Duce Quare Optima

Flo Darby



ARDENNE ALUMNI WELLNESS CENTRE



FROM VISION TO REALITY

The Ardenne Alumni Wellness Centre is rising and our Centennial journey is gathering momentum.

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WELLNESS CENTRE UPDATE

The Ardenne Alumni Wellness Centre is rising!

During an official site visit on August 12, 2026, the Foundation team received an encouraging progress report. The contractor, Dennis Barnaby Construction Limited, is reported to be on target with the construction schedule. Quantity Surveyor and alumnus Dean Burrowes, together with the Burrowes and Wallace team, expressed satisfaction with the progress of the works and the use of project funds, and a further Certificate Recommendation was issued and complied with.

The site also received an unannounced inspection by the Kingston and St. Andrew Municipal Corporation (KSAMC), and the work completed to date was approved. Engineers and other professionals continue to visit the site to ensure that construction follows the approved plans.



Structural work underway on the Wellness Centre



Blockwork and reinforced columns taking shape



Foundation's President during the August site visit



A wider view of the construction site

Project Managers

Florence Darby, Attorney-at-Law/Chairman, Ardenne Alumni Foundation
Dean Burrowes, Quantity Surveyor & Project Manager, Ardenne High School

HELP US FINISH WHAT WE STARTED

Progress is strong, but additional funds are still required to complete the building and bring the Centre into operation.

A CENTENNIAL LEGACY

The Wellness Centre is an investment in the physical, emotional and overall wellbeing of generations of Ardenne students.

WELLNESS CENTRE FINANCIAL TARGET & DONOR BOARD UPDATE

FINANCIAL TARGET UPDATE

No new update on funds raised for the last quarter. We wish to recognize our fundraising team for the Wellness Centre Project who are listed below:

Fundraising Team:

Special thanks to the following individuals who are spearheading the fundraising efforts for the Wellness Centre. They need your support.

Chairman: Vilma McDonald | **Members:** Audrey Chin, Florence Darby | **Admin Support** - Shazhan McBean

PERIOD	RAISED TO DATE	TARGET	FUNDS STILL NEEDED
APRIL, 2026	$25,786,455	$82,543,599	$56,757,144

All funds are quoted in Jamaican Dollars

DONOR BOARD UPDATE:

←----------DONOR CATEGORY----------→

DONOR	BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM
Paul Barnett Legacy Fund				11,328,695
AAA Chapter Toronto		1,000,000		
AA Chapter Atlanta (US$18,309)		2,792,123		
Parkers Foundation (US$2,000)	307,500			
AAA Chapter Florida (US$58,050)			8,891,387	
Audrey Chin (Director - AA Foundation) (US$5,000)	750,000			
Myrna Merchant on behalf of the Tri-state group (US$4,700.00)	716,750			
TOTAL	**1,774,250**	**3,792,123**	**8,891,387**	**11,328,695**

All funds are quoted in Jamaican Dollars

YOU!!!



YOU NEED TO BE REPRESENTED HERE!!

DONATE NOW

THE BRUNHILDE CHIN LUNCH PROGRAMME

No Child at Ardenne Should Be Hungry



Mrs. Brunhilde Chin
Distinguished Ardenne alumna, 2007 AAA Hall of Famer and champion of student welfare.

IN HONOUR OF A CHAMPION

For more than three decades, the late Brunhilde Chin helped to ensure that no Ardenne student went without a meal.

The Toronto Chapter of the Ardenne Alumni Association, which she served with distinction, was the heartbeat of this effort for many years. In honour of her legacy, the Ardenne Alumni Foundation is proud to relaunch the school lunch initiative as The Brunhilde Chin Lunch Programme.

The school has advised the Foundation that the number of students unable to afford a cooked meal has been increasing. The Foundation has therefore resumed facilitation of the programme and is inviting alumni chapters, year groups, individual alumni, corporate partners and friends of Ardenne to stand with us.

HOW THE PROGRAMME WORKS

Students identified through the school's welfare process receive a cooked meal and drink from the Ardenne canteen each school day, five days per week, for the school year.

JMD $1,000 ≈ US$7	JMD $5,000 ≈ US$35	JMD $20,000 ≈ US$140	JMD $180,000 ≈ US$1,260
One student for one day	One student for one week	One student for one month	One student for the school year

*US dollar amounts are approximate, based on the current exchange rate, and are subject to change.

No contribution is too small. Whether you give once or give regularly, your support helps ensure that a child at Ardenne can sit down to a proper meal and focus on learning. Gifts from individual donors will be pooled and used to support as many students as possible

HOW TO DONATE

You can support the Brunhilde Chin Lunch Programme in the following ways:

- **Online Donation:** Donate securely through the Foundation's approved online donation platform.
- **Direct Bank Transfer:** Banking details are available on request.
- **Regular Giving:** You may contact the Foundation to discuss a monthly, termly, or annual giving arrangement.

Email: info@ardennealumnifoundation.org | **Telephone:** 876-213-1263

JOIN US. FEED A CHILD. CARRY THE LEGACY.

Chapters and year groups are invited to sponsor five or more students. Individual gifts of any amount are warmly welcomed.

A NEW DIGITAL HOME

The Ardenne Alumni Foundation website is preparing for launch..... we are on the runway!



ardennealumnifoundation.org

CONNECT • LEARN • GIVE • GET INVOLVED

Something new is coming

The Foundation is preparing to launch a new website that will serve as a central digital home for our programmes, news, fundraising and volunteer opportunities and all other information.

FOLLOW THE WELLNESS CENTRE See project updates and progress.	**SUPPORT OUR PROGRAMMES** Learn how to give to student initiatives.	**STAY INFORMED** Read Foundation news and stories.
JOIN THE 5K Follow Centennial 5K information and registration.	**GET INVOLVED** Volunteer your time, skills or network.	**CONNECT GLOBALLY** Stay engaged wherever you live.

One Foundation. One digital home. One easier way to stay connected.

Visit ardennealumnifoundation.org

WATCH FOR THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH ANNOUNCEMENT

CENTENNIAL OPTIMA 5K RUN/WALK

2027: 100 Years in Motion

Our biggest Optima 5K Run/Walk yet is coming.

In 2027, the Ardenne Alumni Foundation's annual Optima 5K Run/Walk takes on special significance as part of Ardenne High School's 100th Anniversary celebrations.

The Centennial edition will bring together Ardennites, students, families, corporate teams, running and walking groups, friends of Ardenne and supporters from Jamaica and overseas. Proceeds will continue to support the development of the Ardenne Alumni Wellness Centre.

RUN. WALK. SPONSOR. VOLUNTEER.

Whether you participate on the road, support a team, sponsor the event or help behind the scenes, there is a place for you in the Centennial 5K.

JOIN THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

We welcome alumni and friends who can assist with sponsorship, marketing, registration, volunteer coordination, diaspora engagement and race-day operations.

You do not have to be in Jamaica to help.

Overseas Ardennites can support sponsorship outreach, international participation, communications, year-group mobilization and virtual engagement.

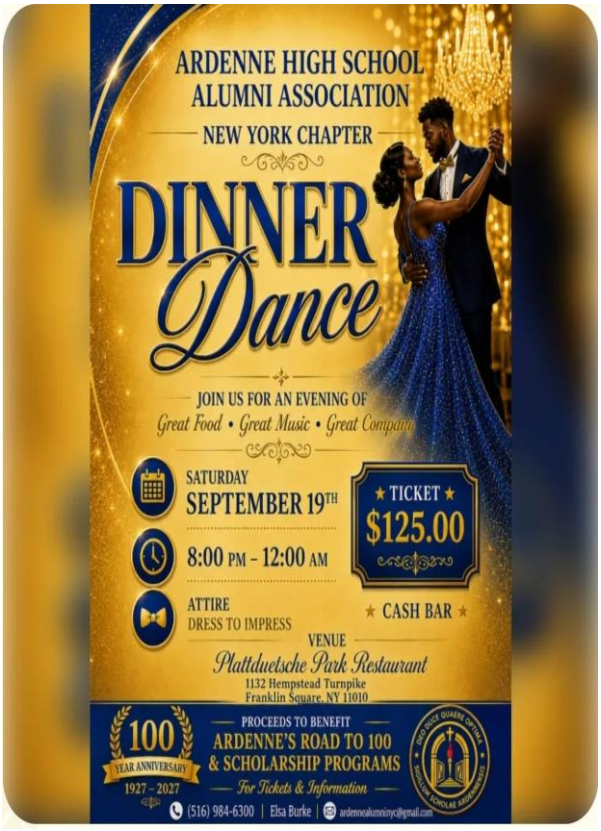
WANT TO HELP BUILD THE CENTENNIAL 5K?

Email ardennefoundation@gmail.com with the subject: Centennial 5K Volunteer



ROAD TO ARDENNE 100

NEW YORK



Dinner & Dance

Saturday, September 19, 2026 | 8:00 PM–12:00 AM

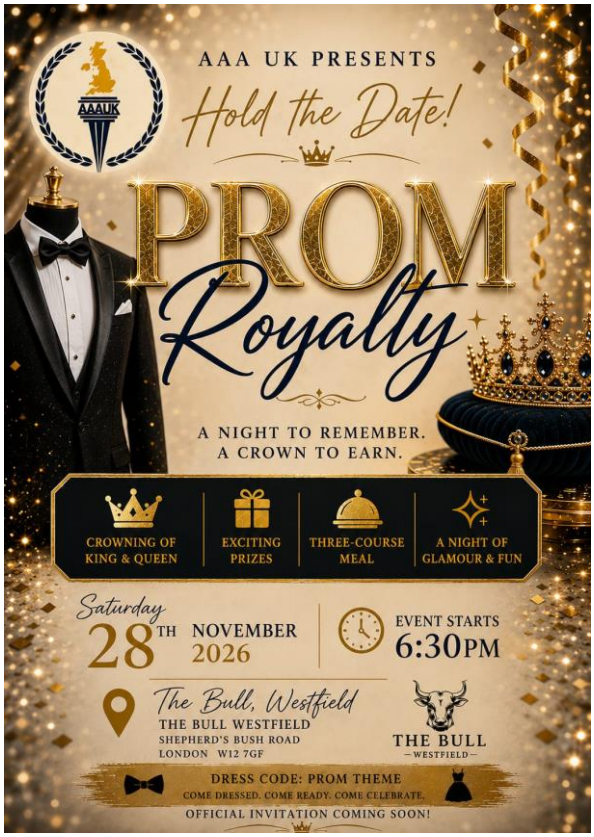
Plattduetsche Park Restaurant, Franklin Square, New York

Tickets: US$125 | Cash Bar

The evening will feature music by proud Ardenne alumnus DJ Clayon “TradeMark” Graham, live entertainment, a special surprise and a 50/50 raffle.

Get tickets via Zeffy

UNITED KINGDOM



PROM ROYALTY 2026

Saturday, November 28, 2026 | 6:30 PM

The Bull, Westfield, Shepherd’s Bush Road, London, W12 7GF

A night of elegance and royal flair featuring the crowning of the King and Queen, exciting prizes, a three-course meal and an evening of glamour and fun.

Dress code: Prom Theme — dress to impress.

ROAD TO 100 - GET INVOLVED

The Road to 100 belongs to all of us

ARDENNE 100 IS MORE THAN AN ANNIVERSARY

It is an opportunity to strengthen the school, support today's students and leave something lasting for the generations that will follow.

SUPPORT THE WELLNESS CENTRE

Help complete a facility that will support generations of Ardenne students.

JOIN THE CENTENNIAL 5K TEAM

Give your time, experience, ideas or professional skills.

ATTEND ROAD TO 100 EVENTS

Support alumni activities in Jamaica and across the diaspora.

FEED A STUDENT

Support the Brunhilde Chin Lunch Programme.

RALLY YOUR YEAR GROUP

Reconnect with classmates and take on a Centennial project together.

SHARE OUR STORY

Tell another Ardennite what is happening and invite them back into the community.

THE ROAD TO 100 HAS BEGUN

Wherever in the world you are, there is a place for you on it.

STAY CONNECTED

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A Century of FAITH, a legacy of success, shaping generations

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Vilma McDonald	- Fundraising Director

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