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Character Matters!

Respect Honesty
Empathy Fairness
Initiative Courage
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From the Principal's Desk

I would like to say how proud I am to be the principal of such a wonderful school. Our students continue to be involved in many excellent programs in the classroom. These programs are due to the superb efforts of our dedicated staff, the participation by our students and the continuing support from you, the parents.

I would especially like to compliment the students on their excellent behaviour when they are representing our school on field trips, and during school presentations. I have received many compliments on the students' participation, behaviour and cooperation. These are values and traits that our staff and students focus on in class and throughout the school. It is great to see the students demonstrating these traits in all areas of school life.

Scholastic Book Fair April 9-13

Just a reminder that the Scholastic Book Fair will be here April 9-13.



School Council News

It's hard to believe that March Break is just around the corner!

We've had an eventful February. A big thank you to Mrs. Chaudhary for once again organizing our annual Winter Games! Thank you to the teachers and staff for their part in the Winter Games. And a special thank you to our intermediate students and student council who led our primary and junior students, served in the kitchen and helped out at each of the games stations. And thank you to our parent volunteers who helped out at our snack station. We couldn't have done it without you! Also a special thank you to Tim Hortons (Major MacKenzie & Hwy 48) for providing us with hot chocolate.

We also had another successful School Council sponsored Mathletes event with many of our families from the LRPS community joining in the math fun!

Still to come is our Subway Lunch fundraiser which will begin in March. Stay tuned for further information.

Our next School Council meeting will be on Monday, April 9th at 7:00 pm. As always, everyone is welcome!

Have a wonderful and safe March Break!



Save The Dates: May 22-24 & May 29-31

Our grade 3's will be writing EQAO from May 22-24 and the grade 6's from May 29-31. Parents of students in these grades are asked to please refrain from booking any appointments or vacations during this time as it is very important for all students to participate in this testing.

Be the Change

Congratulations Little Rouge community! With your support, the Be the Change team collected and donated 150 pairs of shoes to a school in need. Through your generosity, students at another school in Ontario will be able to have proper footwear for phys. ed. and other activities. Thank you so much! The school is very appreciative!

The Be the Change team is selling pre-packaged bags of Kernels popcorn from now until March 8th. If interested, parents must pay online for a 7 week period, which runs from April 2nd to May 14th.

There are two options; the first is getting popcorn once a week, which costs \$14; and the second option is twice a week for \$28. The flavour choices are butter and salt, and white cheddar.

All proceeds will go towards our eco-team's goal of building an outdoor classroom. For more information, please refer to the letter sent to your e-mail.

Thank you for your support,
The BtC team

Backpack Alert

Parents, please take a few minutes to lift your child's backpack and check that it is not too heavy for him/her. Recently, there have been articles in magazines and newspapers about the injuries caused by young children carrying heavy backpacks to school each day. Prevent unnecessary back injuries – don't let them carry everything they own to school each day!



Are You Moving?

Our preparations for the 2018-2019 school year are underway, and our success depends on accurate projections of the school population.

If you are moving out of our school area, please complete the form below and return it to the school as soon as possible.

My child(ren),	(name(s),
who is/are in grade(s)	(current grade/s), will not be attending Little Rouge Public School
in September 2018.	
We will be moving to :	
	(please provide name of new school, if known).
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

Kindergarten Registration for September 2018

Kindergarten Registration Commenced on January 19, 2018



Kindergarten registration commenced on January 19, 2018 for the 2018-19 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca. Children who turn four or five years old during 2018, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten.

A Kindergarten Information session for JK's and their parents will be held on Thursday, May 17th, 6:00-7:30 pm.

For more information please visit the YRDSB website or contact your local school.

Attendance—Safe Arrival

Ensuring the safety of your children is our priority. PLEASE REPORT ABSENCES DAILY!

Attendance is taken both in the morning and the afternoon each day. If you know your child will be absent, please call the office as soon as possible. You can leave a message after hours at: 905-202-5960.

In the case where we do not hear from a parent and we have been unable to reach a parent to verify an absence, it is the policy of York District School Board to contact the Police and report the child as missing.

Brought to you by the Student Council

February was such a busy month with a wide variety of exciting activities. The students definitely enjoyed every single activity!

On February 6th and 7th, Student Council held Candy Gram sales for students in all grades to purchase for their friends or even teachers, to show their caring and appreciation. Student Council was very honored to raise money from these sales for the upcoming grade eight graduation.

Valentine's Day was a wonderful Pink, Red, and White spirit day and the Valentine's spirit could be seen throughout the school.

On February 15th, Student Council also arranged Little Rouge's annual Winter Games that was held all day long, with indoor and outdoor activities which students loved! Students had a blast participating in a wide variety of team building activities like the Scavenger Hunt, Over and Under, and even Capture The Snowballs! As always, the waffles and hot chocolate were enjoyed by all. Student Council and staff were so happy to see smiles on everyones' faces! What a memorable day!

Student Council can't wait to provide more fun activities in March.



From your recording secretary, Jazmine

Looking to clear out some clutter?

We currently have a selection of games and equipment for students to borrow during indoor and outdoor recess periods. We are always looking for **gently used** puzzles, board games and outdoor equipment such as balls, hulahoops, and skipping ropes for our students to sign out from our Reflection Room. If you have any of these items and would like to donate them, our students would appreciate it. **Any donations can be dropped off to Mrs.Shire in the Reflection Room or at the Office.**









Summer Institute

Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8? <u>Summer Institute</u> offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum.

The program runs for six weeks during July and August. It is offered at 11 school sites around York Region. For more information on dates, programs and locations, please visit the Summer Institute page on www.yrdsb.ca.

Registration opens March 7. Families can now register online, as well as in person or by mail.

Base Registration Weekly Fees:

York Region District School Board students: \$105 (4 day weeks) \$120 (5 day weeks)

Non- York Region District School Board students: \$130 (4 day weeks) \$155 (5 day weeks)

The 'Golden Garbage Can' Award

Each month the Caretakers present this award to the class who keeps their classroom tidy and clean and shows proper waste management through the sorting of organics, recycling and garbage on a daily basis during the month. They present the 'Golden Garbage Can' award at the monthly Rocket Rally. The name of the class who wins each month is written on the can.

For the **month of February**, the 'Golden Garbage Can' award was presented to **Mrs. Eisenberger's Grade 1/2 class! Congratulations!**



ECO NEWS!

Earth Hour....

Earth Hour belongs to you. This year Earth Hour is at 8:30pm on March 24th. Each year, millions of you come together to make Earth Hour happen. Coordinated by WWF and other volunteer organizations, together we're shining a light on the need for action on climate change. You can celebrate Earth Hour in any way you want. It's entirely in your hands. Want to keep it simple? You could have a candle-lit dinner, go stargazing, or simply switch off your lights for an hour.

In support of Earth Hour, all schools and workplaces are encouraged to participate in the Board's Earth Hour/Power Hour (Annual Lights Off/Monitors Off Hour) on Friday, March 23th from 2:00 —3:00 p.m.





Planting the Seeds for a Green Future



Dear Parents,

The Growing Up Green program has been created to encourage families to work together to support their child's school.

As a parent, you are the key to making this fundraiser a success!

When you shop at Sheridan Nurseries for your outdoor living and gardening needs, you are putting money back into your child's school through this program.

For every item purchased at Sheridan Nurseries, your child's school will be rewarded a gift card for 2% of the total pre-tax amount (excluding services). The gift card can be used for beautiful annuals, perennials, trees, shrubs, gardening supplies and so much more!

When you make a purchase at any Sheridan Nurseries location, please request a second copy of the receipt for the Growing Up Green program. If you forget to request a second copy and wish to retain your original receipt for warranty or other reasons, you can provide a photocopy that is clear and legible.

This is a great way to support your school. Spread the word to your friends, neighbours and family. Together we can green our spaces and make our world a better place - so let's get started today.



To sign up for the **Growing Up Green** program, please use the attached application form. For more information on this program, please send an email to **Vicky Domingos** at: vdomingos@sheridannurseries.com

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ROCKET RALLY FEBRUARY 4As RECIPIENTS



Active Living

Student	<u>Grade</u>
Ryan P.	SK
Hebe	3
Yehya	3
Ryan K.	5



Attitude

Student	<u>Grade</u>
Ansen Jasmine Hassan Zachary Carys Emme Sharjun Jillian Thanishka Rima Betty Chloe Koa Ria Rumman Akshitha Anjalika Nicole L. Tessa Chloe L Janette	Grade JK JK SK SK 1 1 1 2 2 3 4 4 4 4 5 5 5 6 7
Janette Rajith	8 8

Achievement

<u>Student</u>	Grade
Benjamin C.	JK
Avery	SK
Jacob	SK
Andi	1
Ashrita	1
Ayush	1
Lily	1
Ryan L.	2
Uditi	3
Diyaa	6
Rishi	7
Maggie (January Award)	6

Arts



Student	<u>Grade</u>
Rebecca	SK
Zainab	SK
Alex	1
Ethan	2

Contribute to Strategic Planning at YRDSB - Upcoming Town Halls

York Region District School Board is revisioning its Multi-Year Plan (MYP) and Board Improvement Plan for Student Achievement and Well-being. The Board of Trustees is responsible for setting the strategic direction of public education in York Region public schools. The MYP incorporates the direction established by the Trustees with feedback received from all stakeholders, and will inform decision making at the Board in the years to come. Town halls will be taking place across the region and feedback collected from families and community members will inform the creation of a new MYP. Your voice is important and your input and feedback will help York Region District School Board support student achievement and well-being. There will also be other opportunities, including a survey available in April, to share your thoughts if you are unable to attend a town hall.

Save the Date!

TOWN HALL DATES AND TIMES	LOCATIONS
Monday, April 16, 2018 7 - 9 p.m.	Keswick High School 100 Biscayne Blvd., Keswick
Wednesday, April 18, 2018 6 - 9 p.m.	Markville Secondary School 1000 Carlton Rd., Markham
Sunday, April 22, 2018 2 - 4 p.m.	Sir William Mulock Secondary School 705 Columbus Way, Newmarket
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	Maple High School 50 Springside Rd., Maple
Saturday, April 28, 2018 10 a.m 12 p.m.	Bayview Secondary School 10077 Bayview Ave., Richmond Hill

UPCOMING DATES

March 9 Grade 3 Swim Program

March 10 – 18 March Break (NO SCHOOL)

March 20 Spirit Day - St. Patrick 's Day - wear green to school today

March 29 Grade 1 – 8 – Groove Edge Program

March 30 – April 2 Easter Weekend (NO SCHOOL Friday or Monday)

April 5 FDK Groove Edge Program

April 9 School Council Meeting, 7:00pm