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Character Matters!

Respect Honesty
Empathy Fairness
Initiative Courage
Integrity
Optimism
Perseverance
Responsibility



From the Principal's Desk



The staff and students continue to be extremely busy here at Little Rouge. As always, the cooperation and enthusiasm shown by the students and the commitment and professionalism demonstrated by the staff continues to impress me. Thank you parents for your continued support of the classroom and extra-curricular programs.

As the safety of your children is our priority, we have the following procedures in place:

- Students should enter and exit the school through their assigned doors (not the front doors, unless with an adult or if they are late).
- When picking up a student, please wait at the exit doors and do not proceed to the classrooms.
- All parents and visitors entering the school should use the front door and check in at the office. If you are volunteering or visiting the school, you should sign the book in the office and obtain a visitor/volunteer badge.

Your cooperation in keeping our students safe is appreciated.

School Council News



School Council would like to thank the parents who have already donated money to the investment in Education. If you have not yet had a chance, please look for a reminder form. This money will be used to purchase much needed equipment, technology and resources for the school.

Back by popular demand.....watch for a Subway lunch in November.

Please join us for the next School Council Meeting on Monday, November 7th 7:00 pm. See you there!

Progress Reports and Interviews

The progress report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, November 23rd.

Letters regarding interviews will be sent home early next week.



Indoor/Outdoor Shoes



Please make sure your child has a pair of indoor shoes for the school. With the wet, and soon to be slushy weather, outdoor shoes track mud into the halls and classrooms. If the students are able to change into indoor shoes when they are in the building, this will contribute to a cleaner school environment for us all. Thanks for your support!

SAFE SCHOOL REMINDERS - Please Help Us Keep All Our Students Safe!

We have a number of safety procedures in place to try to keep your children as safe as possible while they are with us. Many of these procedures were outlined for you in our September Start-Up Newsletter. Below are a few of procedures that we would like to, once again, bring to your attention:

Little Rouge Strives to Be A NUT FREE SCHOOL

Due to the severe allergy to peanuts and/or nuts of several of our students, we are asking that **no peanuts or nut products** be brought into the school for snacks or lunches. Thank you for your support of our efforts to maintain a safe school environment for all of our students.

SIGN IN/OUT For Visitors/Volunteers

We have noticed that from time to time parents/grandparents come to the school during recess and go right out to the yard to look for their children. For safety reasons, we ask that **all visitors and volunteers, whether family members or other community members, sign in at the main office when entering the school.** You will then get a "Visitor" badge to wear while you are here. If there is an urgent matter and you need to locate your child during recess, we will page your child from the office and have him/her come in from the yard to see you. Although it may be tempting to do so, please do not go straight from the parking lot to the yard. For the safety of the children, staff on yard duty have been asked to approach any adults on the yard without a Visitor/Volunteer Badge to re-direct them to the office. Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

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.

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to the Scholastic Book Fair in September!

Students were excited to visit the first book fair of the year and made many purchases of new books to add to their home libraries. Parents and children made our Family Event a huge success by choosing and buying new books together. There will be many new books coming to our library shelves soon. Our next book fair will be held at the beginning of April.

Happy reading!



Environmental Corner

Anti idling at Little Rouge



Here at Little Rouge P.S. the environment is very important to us. There are signs in the drop off loop to remind us all to turn our cars off.

Did you know?

Idling gets you nowhere!

Excessive idling wastes a significant amount of fuel and money and generates needless green house gas emissions. If drivers avoid idling just three minutes a day, over a year Canadians would collectively save 630 million litres of fuel and 1.4 million tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions and \$630 million in fuel costs (assuming a fuel cost of \$1.00/L)

Natural Resources Canada

<http://oee.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca/transportation/idling/facts.cfm?attr=8>



REMEMBRANCE DAY - NOVEMBER 11th

Canada, according to the United Nations, is one of the best, if not the best country in the world to live in. Our citizens are blessed with freedom, opportunity and a standard of living that is unrivalled in today's world, and without parallel in history. Canadians are correct to express pride in their ancestors for building such a great nation and in themselves for preserving it. However, this did not occur by chance; it is a result of tireless effort in the past that is carried on by those of today.

It is believed that most children, by the time they begin formal schooling, will have had some exposure to Remembrance Day through television, radio, movies, reading and through family observance of the day. Our educational system has the responsibility to enrich these early experiences so that each student may develop a real understanding and appreciation for Remembrance Day. Children new to Canada must also have an understanding of the sacrifices that many Canadians made to preserve and protect the way of life that they now embrace.

We must ensure that Remembrance Day is afforded the respect and dignity it rightly deserves and maintains its place among the great traditions of our country. On Friday, November 11th, at 10:30 we will have an assembly to commemorate Remembrance Day. We invite you to attend.

Students will be given poppies to wear from the Canadian Legion.



Inclement Weather

The arrival of November signifies the onset of the cooler weather. Please remember to ensure your children are dressed warmly and prepared for outdoor recess each day. We also know that those first 'snow days' always take us by surprise. If you suspect that busses may be cancelled due to the weather, please confirm this by checking local television stations, City TV, the A-Channel, CFTO TV, or radio stations, 640AM, 1010AM, 98.1FM, 99.9 FM. A bus cancellation message will also be available at 1-877-330-3001 after 6:30 a.m. ***Remember that if busses are cancelled for their morning run, they will be automatically cancelled for their afternoon run, even if the weather improves throughout the day.***



Little Rouge School Website

Don't forget to check out our Little Rouge School website. It is full of great information; necessary documents and forms, an up-to-date calendar, links to useful websites, news from the York Region School Board and more. It is our goal to keep our website current as your one stop source of information. Please have a look and your feedback is welcome.

<http://www.littlerouge.ps.yrdsb.ca>





ROCKET RALLY OCTOBER 4As RECIPIENTS



Active Living

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Jillian	1
Zoe	2
Isabella	4
Zaire	5
Brendan	7
Jax	7
Jayden S.	8
Carlton	8
Nikolas	8

Achievement

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Qusai	1
Addison	2
Vinushan	2
Romaan	3
Diva	3
Koa	3
Anqi	3
Akshitha	4
Terry	4
Zaire	5
Anish	5
Ashlyn	7
Nathan	8

Attitude

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Sebastian D.	JK
Carys	SK
Neha	SK
Fiza	SK
Karsten	SK
Kishan	1
Charlie	1
Winnie	2
Chala	2
Ryan L.	3
Ryan C.	3
Antonio	4
Dashawnth	5
Tessa L.	5
Camryn	7
Stefania	8
Alena K.	8

Arts

<u>Student</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Ethan	SK
Pauline	SK
Noah	SK
Kiera	1
Chloe	1
Kyle	1
Isabel	2
Rowen	3
Caroline	6



UPCOMING DATES:

November 7	School Council Meeting, 7:00pm (staff room)
November 8	Hep B and HPV vaccinations for grade 7's and 8's
November 11	Remembrance Day Assembly, 10:30am
November 23	Progress Reports go home
November 24	Rocket Rally
November 24	Parent/Teacher Interviews (evening)
November 25	P.A. Day (No School)
November 25	Parent/Teacher Interviews (morning)