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**Administrator's Message**

**DECEMBER 2019 SEASON'S GREETINGS NEWSLETTER**



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Our Winter Concert was a wonderful success on Wednesday, December 19th, and the performances celebrated our diverse traditions. Students in both JK/SK classes, Gr. 1, Gr. 3/4, Gr.4/5, and our two Gr. 7/8 classes participated. A special thank you to all teachers who participated in the concert.

**Winter Break**

**December 23, 2019 to**  
**January 3, 2020**

The school will be closed during the break **reopens Jan. 6, 2020**



Thank you again for your participation with teachers and support staff in working with, and for, each child. Ramer Wood's school with 282 students, and the academic and social success of each student is very important to all of us. Using your child's agenda, encouraging your child to read each evening, reviewing completed or assigned homework, participating in parent/teacher conferences and sharing input into creating learning goals helps each child realize that their strengths & needs are important and special. We value the relationships we have fostered with our parent partners. It is always exciting to look forward, but it is also a joy to reflect on the great work we have done together for each child.

We are committed to building responsible and respectful citizens who will make valuable contributions in a changing world community. Thank you to the Chau family for the front door floral arrangements, the communities donations to School Council's Mitten, Hat & Scarf Tree and ECO Food Bank. 'Tis the season for giving!



**School Resumes:**  
**Mon. January 6/20**  
**at 8:45 a.m.**

Please have a safe and happy Winter Break. Let's continue to work together to ensure that each child has a positive educational experience at Ramer Wood! Friday January 17, 2020 is our next P.A. Day, followed by School Council's meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2020.

Wishing everyone an enjoyable holiday, and a Happy New Year!

Mrs. C. Pink  
 Principal



**Begins at Ramer Wood on  
January 17, 2020 (P.A. Day)**

Kindergarten registration will commence on January 17, 2020 for the 2020-21 school year. Families are welcome to visit the school in person to register. Registration forms are available at the school or on the Board's website at [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca).

Children who turn four or five years old during 2020, 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 parents is being planned for this Spring.

## **Grade 1 French Immersion Information Sessions and Registrations**

### **Information Sessions**

Information sessions for Grade 1 entry into the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at French Immersion schools that have a Grade 1 program on January 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Please visit YRDSB's website in January 2020

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/fi/Pages/Program-Locations.aspx> to find the FI program location for your elementary school location.

### **Registration**

FI registration will begin on January 17, 2020. Parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2020, and wishing to enroll in the FI Program, can visit or call their home school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. This Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to the designated FI program location to register, between January 17 and February 7, 2020. Registration during this period is not first come, first served.

### **Late Registrations**

Late registrations are those submitted after February 7, 2020. Late registrations will be treated on a first-come, first-served basis and will be considered subsequent to registrations received during the registration period should overflow be necessary.

### **Accommodation Plan**

YRDSB's FI Accommodation Plan provides long-term consistency and equity of access to all students in York Region and will enable YRDSB to continue to offer the FI program to all who wish to enroll. The FI program will be offered in Dual Track or Single Track settings, in a variety of configurations. In order to meet community needs and optimize available space in our schools, a community's Grade 1-8 FI program may be provided over more than one school during the course of a student's FI education. Space requirements at some schools may mean that siblings are in different schools for primary dual track French Immersion programs due to differing grade structures. Like any of our schools across the Board, changes to school boundaries, and/or the accommodation model for the French Immersion program may need to be considered when new schools open, a school experiences enrolment growth, and program changes occur. This will allow flexibility in addressing community needs and the opportunity to use existing space in schools.

More information is available on the Board's website: [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca). Please note: Some of the FI accommodation plans will require facility modifications or the development of new schools and will require short-term transition plans that might include overflow while we work toward the long-term vision. Overflow refers to situations in which the Board directs students to attend a school other than their community school or optional program for a specific period of time, as defined in Policy #108.