

Richmond Rose Weekly Communication				
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Happy Holidays

The staff at Richmond Rose PS, want to wish you and your family a restful and cheerful Holiday Break. We hope you get to spend some quality time with friends and family. If you are travelling, be safe. We welcome everyone back to school on January 7, 2019.

Parking Lot Safety

The safety of our students is our top priority and we need your cooperation to ensure that we are able to keep your children safe. **Parents are to use the kiss-and-ride to drop off children and not park in staff parking spots** and have children run across the parking lot. We have witnessed many unsafe actions in the parking lot and these are becoming even more concerning with the winter weather upon us. Cars can't stop as fast and visibility is reduced during the winter months.

In addition, for those that choose to park on the street and have your children j-walk across the road, we recommend that you walk over to the crosswalk and cross with the crossing guard. This will ensure a safe crossing for all of our students. A reminder that u-turns are not permitted on Frank Endean Drive as this creates an even greater risk of an accident.

We appreciate your attention and cooperation in this matter.

<u>Parking Lot Safety</u>	
DO	DON'T
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk or ride (bike or scooter) to school with your child(ren) or have your child walk or ride to school with a group of people • Students should use the paved walking areas when walking to the school yard • Use the Kiss and Ride to drop off your child(ren) • Park in legal areas on the street • Cross the street at the crosswalk • Drive with extreme caution, assuming children have the right of way 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO NOT PARK OR STOP IN THE BUS LOOP at any time of the day and regardless of the weather • Do not allow students to run across the parking lot • Do not J-Walk across Frank Endean Rd. • Do not do any U-Turns on Frank Endean Rd. • Do not park in the staff parking lot to drop off or pick up your child(ren)

School Bus Cancellations

If the condition of the roads necessitates the cancelation of bus service, local radio stations will be informed as early as possible and will broadcast this information to the community. Please be advised that if buses are cancelled in the morning they will not run after school—regardless of the weather. Review your plans as to what your children will do in the event of late buses or cancellations. Cancellations will be announced on YRDSB websites and www.schoolbuscity.com <http://www.yrdsb.ca> The following radio stations announce cancellations:

AM 640 AM 680 FM 88.5 FM 90.3 AM 1010 AM 1540 FM 92.5 FM 93.1 AM 1050 FM 99.9 FM 97.3 FM 98.1 AM 1530 FM 100.7 FM 104.5 FM 107.1 AM 590

Food Drive

Thank you for the donations for our food drive and our hat/mitten tree! We are so touched by the giving nature of our community. We donated almost 3000 food items to the Salvation Army Food bank. When we arrived to drop off the donations, they had no food. Due to your generosity, many families will have food on their tables this winter season.

Flu Season

Flu Season is here and York Region Public Health wants to ensure that everyone is aware of the benefits of the flu shot. Please visit york.ca/flu for more information.

Be Prepared For The Cold Weather and Darker Evenings

As we enter the winter months, **please ensure that your child is dressed warmly for recess** and their commute to school. This means wearing the proper jacket, hats, mitts/gloves and boots for the coming cold months. Students will be going outside during the winter months and playing in the snow and cold weather. Students need to be dressed appropriately to stay safe.

With the change of daylight savings, this means longer, darker days. Give extra care to and instruct your children to be aware of walking, riding bikes or playing when dusk settles (e.g. being more aware of their surroundings, wearing bright clothing etc.).

Bayview Secondary School Open House - Jan. 17, 2019

Grade 8 students and their parents are invited to attend Bayview Secondary School's Open House on Thursday, December 17, 2019 from 7-9PM.

Le Club Update

The following is a list of upcoming dates & activities for Richmond Rose's Le Club. We hope to see you there!

WINTER BREAK

January 2 - 4, 2019 (in-house)

2nd: Ceramic Creations

3rd & 4th: Exploring and designing outdoors with ice. **Parental newsletter to follow.

WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

MONDAY January 7 Day 1	TUESDAY January 8 Day 2	WEDNESDAY January 9 Day 3	THURSDAY January 10 Day 4	FRIDAY January 11 Day 5
	Pizza Lunch Ms. An and Mr. Calleri's class at VORC			House Assembly @8:45am
<u>Dates to keep in mind:</u> Jan. 17 - Grade 8 Open House at Bayview Secondary School from 7-9 PM				

Richmond Rose – TOUCHSTONE At Richmond Rose, we take responsibility for our work, words and actions. We put in our best efforts, enjoy our successes, and learn from our mistakes. We embrace each other's differences and care for each other's feelings. We think before we speak and use words that are appropriate for school. Our community is a safe community; a place where we treat people with kindness, respect and dignity. No one is afraid at our school. At Richmond Rose, we are free to succeed!