

## Richmond Rose Weekly Communication

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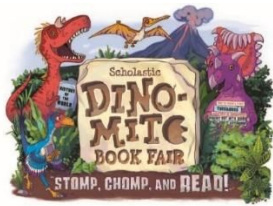
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Date: May 10th, 2019

### News from the Learning Commons

Dear Parents and Families,



It's that time of year again...the **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming to Richmond Rose P.S. on **Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> until Friday May, 17<sup>th</sup>**. The Book Fair will be open during the school day as well as after school until 4:00 p.m. We accept cash, credit cards and cheques (made payable to *Richmond Rose Public School*).

The Scholastic Book Fair is an excellent place to find quality reading material for your entire family. It is also a great way to support the school and promote literacy. You will have hundreds of titles to choose from...new titles as well as old favourites.

Don't forget to enter our **Family Event Draw**. You could win \$50 in books - \$25 for your family and \$25 for your child's classroom. Fill in the ballot at the back of the flyer and send it in to the school with your child.

Did you know that for every \$10 you spend at the Book Fair, up to \$6 goes back to our school? This allows us to purchase needed books and educational resources.

#### **Book Fair Dates and Times:**

**Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>: Viewing Day ONLY (teachers sign their class up to view books and fill out their wish lists)**

**Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>: Purchasing Day- all day until 4 pm (closed for recess)**

**Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>: Purchasing Day- all day until 4 pm (closed for recess)**

**Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>: Purchasing Day- all day until 4 pm (closed for recess)**

**Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>: Family Event Draw (morning announcements)**

**A big thank you to all the parents who have kindly volunteered their time to help out at the Book Fair!**

Thank you for your support,

Charlene Granger  
Teacher Librarian

## [Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast](#)

Thank you to the many parent volunteers who contribute their time and expertise to the wonderful learning environment at Richmond Rose PS from which students greatly benefit. Please join us at the Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast on Friday, May 17 from 7:45 to 8:30. Babysitting is available in the Library for children two years of age and older. Kindly RSVP to Ms Bar at [celidah.bar@yrdsb.ca](mailto:celidah.bar@yrdsb.ca).

## **Rider Safety Information**

Student Transportation Services of

York Region, (STSYR), is excited to announce a new rider safety information initiative for parents/guardians and students who access school bus transportation.

STSYR has developed a new Safety Programs page for parents/guardians and students on the [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) website which provides access to valuable safety information. Information on this page includes:

**Buzzy the Bee School Bus Safety Rules Video for First Time Riders**  
**Buster's Safety Badge Video for Primary Students (Grades JK-3)**  
**Soteria's Safety Video for Junior Students (Grades 4-8)**  
**Student Transportation Services of York Region Safety Initiatives**  
**Ministry of Transportation School Bus Safety Information**

Parents are encouraged to access the link on the homepage of the website where you will find basic school bus safety rules including, how to cross the street safely, how to ride the bus safely and what to do in case of an emergency.

For more information, please go to [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com)

### [Ramadan](#)

During Ramadan, a room is available for prayer and staff are monitoring students who are fasting.

### [EQAO](#)

Primary and Junior EQAO will be written from May 21 to 30. During Primary and Junior EQAO (involving Grade 3 and 6 students), some of our students will be observing Ramadan. Please connect with your child's teacher or the office if there are any accommodations that we can provide to support your child during this time. Some of the accommodations that we will be providing for students who are fasting include:

- Students write at the morning or afternoon based on parent recommendation.
- Students are provided with frequent breaks.
- Students are not expected to complete more than one booklet per day.
- The spaces provided for students to write the assessments are kept cool.



**RICHMOND ROSE INVITES FAMILIES TO  
CELEBRATE THE CULTURES OF  
RICHMOND ROSE**

Come and engage in reach conversation, specialty food and music that highlights the beauty of each culture!

Families are welcome to come and begin the journey at  
6:30 until 8:30.

**THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019**

Door prizes – Food – Culture - Celebration

**Cell Phone Policy**

A real focus for us as at Richmond Rose P.S. is to ensure a safe climate for learning so that students are fully prepared for lessons and any distractions are eliminated. To support this, we have made the decision to ban the use of mobile phones within the school because of the negative effect on student learning and well-being. If students decide to bring phones to school, they are to be kept in their locker for the ENTIRE day. At no time will mobile phones be permitted to be used during school hours.

**The progressive approach of consequences will be implemented at Richmond Rose P.S. as follows:**

A warning will be given to the student and they will also be asked to place the cell phone in their locker for the remainder of the day.

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2. The student will be asked to take their phone to the office. The phone will be placed, by the student, in a designated safe place. The student can then pick up their phone at the end of the day.
3. The student will be asked to take their phone to the office. The phone will be placed, by the student, in a designated safe place. At this point a phone call will be made home with the requirement for a parent / guardian to collect the phone on their child's behalf.

The restriction is in place at all times while students are on school grounds. This includes school entry, recess and lunch. Phones should not be accessed by students until they have left school. All student-parent communication should be directed through the school office.

**Infractions will be dealt with as student discipline, under the Safe and Supportive Schools Policy and Procedures. Failure to comply with any of the aforementioned rules may result in student suspension.**

### [Parking Lot Safety](#)

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE STAFF PARKING LOT AND DO NOT BLOCK STAFF CARS AT ANY POINT IN THE DAY. PLEASE RESPECT THE SAFETY OF ALL OF OUR STUDENTS, PARENTS AND STAFF.**

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.

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.

<b>Parking Lot Safety</b>	
<b>DO</b>	<b>DON'T</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 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</li> <li>● Students should use the paved walking areas when walking to the school yard</li> <li>● Use the Kiss and Ride to drop off your child(ren)</li> <li>● Park in legal areas on the street</li> <li>● Cross the street at the crosswalk</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● DO NOT PARK OR STOP IN THE BUS LOOP at any time of the day and regardless of the weather</li> <li>● Do not allow students to run across the parking lot</li> <li>● Do not J-Walk across Frank Endean Rd.</li> <li>● Do not do any U-Turns on Frank Endean Rd.</li> <li>● <b>Do not park in the staff parking lot to drop off or pick up your child(ren)</b></li> </ul>

- Drive with extreme caution, assuming children have the right of way

### WEEK AT-A-GLANCE

MONDAY May 13 Day 1	TUESDAY May 14 Day 2	WEDNESDAY May 15 Day 3	THURSDAY May 16 Day 4	FRIDAY May 17 Day 5
Scholastic Book Fair	Scholastic Book Fair  Pizza Lunch	Scholastic Book Fair  Gauss Math Contest	Scholastic Book Fair  Subway Lunch	Scholastic Book Fair  Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast 7:45 - 8:30 a.m.

**Upcoming Events:**

May 15 - Grade 7 and 8 Gauss Math Contest  
 May 20 - Victoria Day Monday  
 May 21 - 31 EQAO testing (details to follow)  
 May 23 - Cultural Connections - 6:30-8:30 pm  
 May 28 - Grade 7 Vaccinations  
 May 31 - Grade 7 Trip to Scenic Cave  
 June 3 - PD Day (no school for students)  
 June 19 - Grade 8 Graduation (@Richmond Green SS at 5:30 and Sheraton Parkway Hotel at 7:30 - more information to follow)

**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!