

**DONATION DRIVE**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our School Council Donation Drive. The drive has come to an end, and we are happy to report that we have raised over \$5000.00 to support our school council S.M.A.R.T goals, including participating in the YRDSB cost sharing technology plan, where the school board matches funds we raised on a one to one scale.

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## DRESSING FOR COLD WEATHER



During the cold winter months, it is important that students come to school dressed for the weather conditions. This includes: boots, hats, scarves, snow pants, warm coats and mittens or gloves. We also encourage packing an extra pair of socks and pants in case they get wet.

All students are expected to go out for every recess and lunch hour, weather permitting. We monitor the weather throughout the day, including temperature, wind chill, sun/cloud conditions and wind velocity. In [extreme weather conditions](#), such as ice pellets or extremely high wind chill factors, administration may decide to shorten recess breaks or keep students indoors.

## Illness

**Families are reminded that students should not be sent to school if they are experiencing symptoms of any type of illness.**

**Students will not be removed from recess or phys. ed. if they are not feeling well.**

## Family House Assembly

Thank you to all of the families who joined us for our Family House Assembly today. We were thrilled with the number of families who attended and were able to celebrate the accomplishments of our students, who earned a *Respect* certificate.



## SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Our next School Council meeting is Dec 4th, from 6:30-8:30. All parents are welcome.  
School Council – Ministry of Education Link

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/general/elemsec/council/>

“School councils play a vital role in the education system in Ontario. They provide a forum through which parents<sup>1</sup> and other members of school communities can contribute to improving student achievement and school performance.”

## Trustee Greetings

### *Message from Our Trustee*



In November, about 1,000 students, staff members and community partners came together from across the Board to form a [Ring of Peace](#) and stand together against hate, discrimination and intolerance. The student speakers at the event shared meaningful messages about the importance of feeling welcome, valued and respected.

At York Region District School Board, we are committed to listening to the voices of our students and communities. We will continue working with our school communities to ensure our schools provide safe, welcoming and inclusive environments for everyone.

Last month, our annual [Quest conference](#) brought together educators from across Ontario, Canada and around the world to share, learn and discuss how to foster well-being in schools. Some of the themes covered included equity and inclusivity, and safe and caring environments.

It was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about some of the positive things happening in our own schools and other districts. In recent months, we have had several international visitors come to our system and schools to learn more about the work in our system to support student achievement and well-being, including Qatar, the Netherlands, Texas and the United Kingdom.

We are pleased to have these opportunities to continue highlighting and sharing the great things happening in our schools thanks to our outstanding students, staff members, families and community partners. Your engagement makes a difference in our schools and I encourage you to continue getting involved in the life of your child's school.

As we enter the holiday season, I am once again impressed by the generosity of our school communities and our students' commitment to helping others.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful start to 2018.

## SAVE THE DATE

Check out the google calendar on our website for more information.....

- Dec 4<sup>th</sup> School Council Meeting
- Dec 14<sup>th</sup> School Council *Movie Night*
- Dec 25<sup>th</sup> – Jan 5<sup>th</sup> Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup> – School Council Meeting

## **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!**

