

FAMILY SKATE NIGHT



Thank you to our School Council for organizing our 2nd annual Family Skate Night. We had a great turn out; lots of families coming together for some good old fashioned fun.



STAFFING UPDATE

Staffing Update @ Richmond Rose

As previously communicated, Mrs. Bynoe will be moving on, as Vice Principal at a new YRDSB school. We wish her all the best at her new school, and thank her for her impactful and meaningful contributions to Richmond Rose.

We welcome Ms. Scott to Richmond Rose, as our new full time Vice-Principal, starting Feb 5th.

We would also like to let the community know that Mrs. James, our amazing EOAA (Elementary Office Administration Assistant), will be moving on to a central administrative role within the board.
We wish her the best in her new role.

We wish Mrs. Veljkovic all the best, as she will be moving on to other opportunities in the board, and Mrs. Piccattoli will be taking over the full time teaching in her grade 6 class.

We would also like to welcome back Mrs. Fisher; she will be taking over the special education teaching responsibilities for Mrs. Lee until the end of the year.

Mr. Toong will be continuing with us, in his grade 4 classroom, until the end of the year.



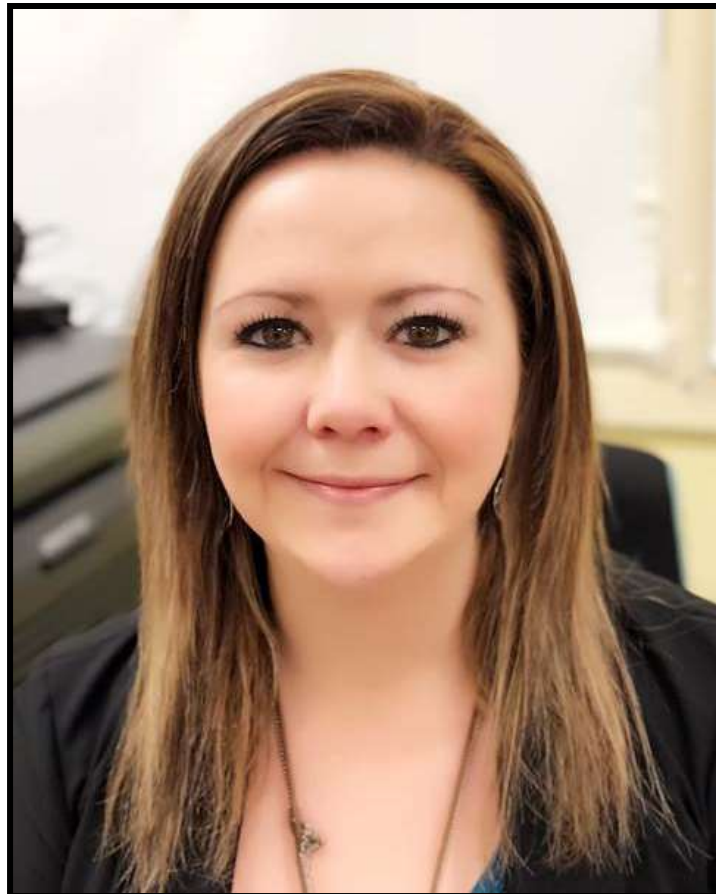
Mrs. Bynoe's
farewell clap out.
We will miss you.

Welcome Ms. Scott – New Vice Principal

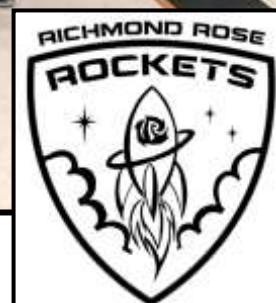
I am very excited to join the Richmond Rose team and to get to know the wonderful staff, students, parents and community. I have been teaching for many years in Toronto and also in a variety of countries around the world. I have heard fantastic things about Richmond Rose Public School and I am eager to join a wonderful team of educators working together to help our students succeed. I look forward to meeting all of you. Please feel free introduce yourself when you see me around the school.

Your Partner in Education,

Julie Scott



Junior Mixed Volleyball



Last week our Junior Mixed Volleyball team participated in the area tournament. The team should be very proud of themselves, they played with purpose and skill, winning the first two games, but losing the next two, in two tight games.

Not only did they play well, they also looked great in our new uniforms, sporting our new school logo.

BOOK SWAP 2018



Thank you to our School Council, parent volunteers, teaching staff, and families for making our annual Book Swap one of the best! It was a great event to celebrate Family Literacy Day.

Book Swap Totals:

Total books collected (included swapped and donated books) = 2007

Total books purchased by School Council (junior and intermediate books) = 402

Total books at book swap event = 2409

Number of students swapping books = 221

Number of books to be donated to charity will be determined once teachers have had the opportunity to go through the remaining books for their classroom libraries.

Thanks to the following volunteers for their help: Catherine Pearcey, Preeti Lamba, Rose Ying, Sue Zheng, Linn Su, Erin Lin, Tina Wu, Monna Yip, Jenny Liu, Grace Lu, Alic Huang, May Kim, Amanda Li, Karen Lee, Keshini Selvaganesh, Ethan Kwan, various grade 7 and 8 student volunteers, various house leaders, Darlene Ramsey-Wu.

Junior Achievement - Grade 7

Junior Achievement Day for Grade 7

By: Justin P, Allie Z, and Zoe T, from Mrs. Green's class 7B

Last week, on January 16th and 17th, Grade 7's participated in Junior Achievement Day. We learned plenty of information about finances and how to make wise choices with our money.

Over the course of just one day, the representative taught us about money, financing, and budgeting. To make things more interesting, she awarded us with JA dollars everytime a group got an answer right, or followed instructions correctly. Along with that, we were given the acronym SMART. Smart, or SMART is an acronym that gives advice on critically spending money. S stands for stop and think, M stands for make a plan, A stands for ask questions, R stands for review information, and T stands for take action. By following these easy to remember steps, we learned how to make SMART spending choices.

To begin the day, we filled out a survey, explaining our inclination towards using our money. Our first activity was deciding which resources were the most efficient way of collecting income. Throughout the day, we were given various tasks, but the main gimmick was that we were given various case studies and had to advise the characters given on what they should do in terms of money. The characters gave us various scenarios they were in, where they were deliberating on the smartest way to manage their money.

Near the end of the day, we discussed the topic of investments. The representative told us about two kinds of investments: safe and risky. She then led us in an interactive game. Using the JA dollars we earned, we would choose some companies to invest in. To invest in a company, we had to buy the company's stocks. After every group made their choice, the representative would show how much each of the companies' stocks have grown or dropped over four days. At the end of the four days, we would sell the stocks we bought for the amount shown. Whoever had gained the most money from their investment won the game.

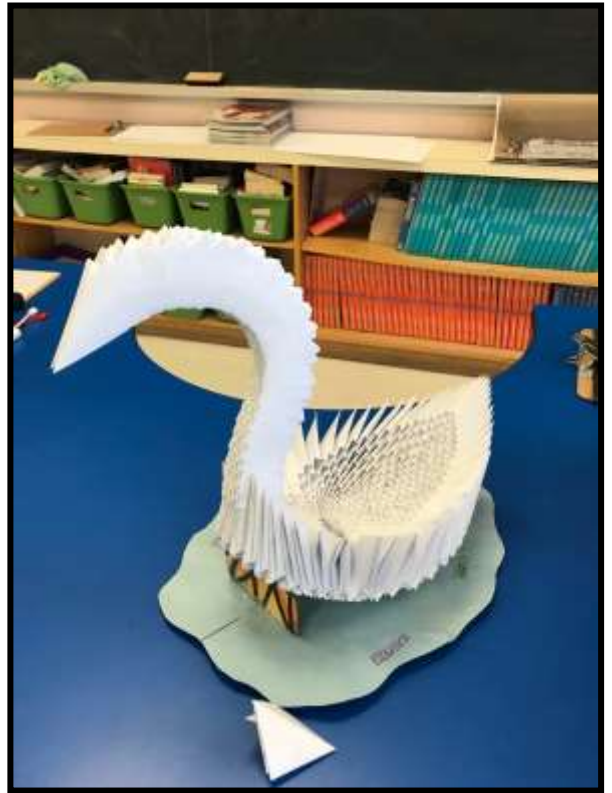


"The most valuable thing I learned was how to properly manage my money." - Max

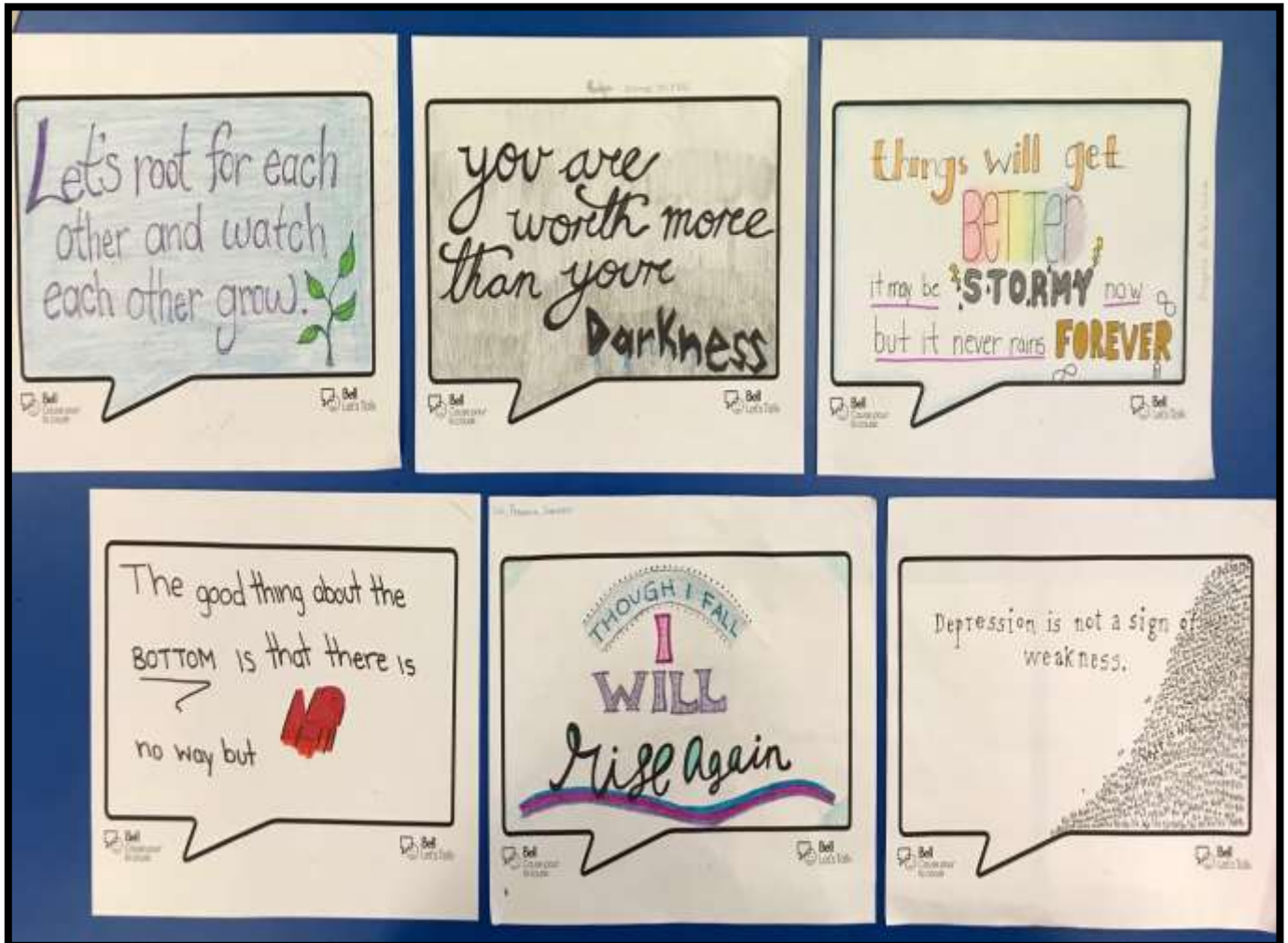
"I learned how to save money, so I can invest in important things." - Emma

"I learned about the different types of payment - what they do and how they are used in different scenarios." - Mía

GRADE 7 & 8 Art Projects Using Recycled Materials



Wellbeing



This week, students and staff at Richmond Rose took part in several activities related to mental health and wellness. Together, we learned how to listen to others, how to be kind to ourselves, and how to talk about mental illness respectfully. We also participated in *Bell Let's Talk* day in order to help fundraise for mental health initiatives across Canada. We hope that this positive conversation continues all year long!

Black History Month

February marks the celebration of Black History Month across Canada. Throughout the month, Richmond Rose staff and students will be celebrating the many important contributions of Black Canadians to our country and the world as a whole. On February 7th, as part of our monthly House Assembly, we will be recognizing many of these exceptional Canadians, and learning about how their culture and accomplishments contribute to Canadian society.

A display marking this celebration is up outside of the library, and many books celebrating important voices and stories of African Heritage are available for students to select and read.

We encourage families to extend the learning about this important celebration by having conversations at home about what is being learned in school.

Black History Month

Famous Canadians of African Descent

Viola Desmond was a successful Halifax beautician and businesswoman, who was the focus of one of the most publicized incidents of racial discrimination in Canadian History.

On November 8, 1946, she attended a movie at the Roseland Theatre in New Glasgow.

Soon after, she was arrested for choosing to sit downstairs in the racially segregated theatre, rather than upstairs in the balcony (where Blacks were forced to sit). She was thrown in jail for 12 hours and then finally charged with "attempting to defraud the Federal Government." The charge was based on her refusal to pay the one cent amusement tax difference between the 3 cents charged to those sitting in the balcony and the 2 cents charged to those sitting downstairs. Viola would not agree to pay more than the white customers for the same show.



SAVE THE DATE

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

- **Feb 5th – School Council Meeting**
- **Feb 22nd – Graduation Photo's Grade 8 Students**

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!



Bayview Secondary School Council Presents:

LET'S TALK

LEARN HOW TO EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR TEEN

An interactive and inspirational workshop with

Joe Rich

MSW, RSW

Author of "Parenting: The Long Journey" and Family Therapist on the Marilyn Dennis Show

If you are currently parenting a teenager or just thinking ahead, this presentation may be helpful in developing strategies to communicate with teens.
A great opportunity to learn, laugh and come together with other parents with shared concerns.

FREE ENTRY!

Date: Thursday, March 1st, 2018

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Place: Bayview Secondary
School Cafeteria

R.S.V.P. by February 26th
to <https://tinyurl.com/y7pj22oo>

Refreshments will be provided!

