Richmond Rose Weekly Communication

Nov 24th, 2017

S. Philp – Principal

N. Bynoe - Vice-Principal

R. Russo - Superintendent

C. Chan - Trustee

A. Lem - Council Chair

INTERVIEWS

Thank you to everyone who was able to come out on Thursday evening, or Friday during the day, to engage in conversations with teachers about the progress of your children. Ongoing and two-way communication between families and teachers is a pivotal component to foster a positive learning experience for children. Although we structure days like Thursday and Friday for more formal conversations, parents should feel comfortable speaking with their child(s) teacher(s) at any point in the school year.

Our next formal reporting period will be in February, when Term One reports will be going home. Term one reports are different from progress reports, as specific marks based on ongoing assessment and evaluation will be included.

Thank you to everyone for navigating the use of our new digital communication tool Edsby, moving forward we will be using this tool in different ways to help support family and teacher communication.



Grade 8 Graduation Tree & Canada 150 Tree



Two trees were planted in our schoolyard this week. A Sugar Maple Tree was planted as a 2017 Grade 8 graduation legacy tree and a Red Maple Tree was planted to commemorate Canada's 150th Birthday. Both trees were funded by Eco Popsicles sold by Ms. Snare's class last spring.



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.



Please review correct handwashing procedures with your children.

We want to keep everyone feeling well as we move into flu and cold season.

House Leaders 2017-2018



LUNCH SURVEY

The Richmond Rose School Council will be conducting an optional survey to evaluate the current level of satisfaction with the school's optional *Kid's Kitchen Hot Lunch Program*. Feedback from this survey will assist Council in possibly improving the hot lunch program.

School Council Initiatives Tentatively Planned

Movie Night Family Skate Night New Adventures in Learning 2.0, in conjunction with the wellbeing team and RR staff.

CROSS WALK SAFETY



INTRODUCING OUR NEW SCHOOL LOGO!



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 <u>Ring of Peace</u> 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 <u>Quest conference</u> 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.

ROOTS OF EMPTHY cont.





Our Roots of Empathy program continues for Ms. Grangers Class. Thank you to her class for hosting this rewarding and exciting program.

SAVE THE DATE

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

- Nov 27th Donation Drive Ends
- Nov 27th Scholastic Book Fair
- Dec 14th School Council Movie Night

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!

