Richmond Rose Weekly Communication

September 22nd 2017

S. Philp – Principal

N. Bynoe-Hayles - Vice-Principal

R. Russo - Superintendent

C. Chan - Trustee

A. Lem - Council Chair 16/17

Reorganization 2017

As a result of the changes that have taken place between June and September in our school's enrolment, and in order to comply with the Ministry of Education's Primary Class Size Compliance requirements, as well as acceptable class sizes in the junior and intermediate classrooms, we have reorganized the structure of our classes. All students who are impacted by this will have received a letter on Friday, Sept 22nd.

Please see our new organization below.

Kindergarten - Mrs. Odes	Grade 5 – Ms. Snare
Kindergarten - Mrs. Cuda	Grade 5 – Ms. McGeachie
Kindergarten - Mrs. Sondhi	Grade 6 – Ms. Piccattoli / Ms. Veljkovic
Grade SK/ 1 – Ms. Bar – new to RR	Grade 6 – Mr. Tibando
Grade 1 – Ms. Teplin	Grade 6 – TBD
Grade 1/2 – Ms. Granger	Grade 7 - Ms. Biondo
Grade 2 – Ms. McWilliams	Grade 7 – Ms. Green
Grade 2/3 – Ms. Black	Grade 8 – Mr. Mah
Grade 3 – Ms. Laco	Grade 8 – Mr. Callon
Grade 3 – Ms. Hafner	Grade 8 – Mr. Calleri
Grade 3 – Ms. Apperley	
Grade 4 – Ms. Bettan	
Grade 4 – Mr. Toong	
Grade 5 – Ms. Iacobellis	

Time will be taken on Tuesday to make sure students transition to new classrooms / lockers in a comfortable and calm manner.

CANADA 150 – More Pictures



Message from York Region Public Health

Dear Parents of Grade 7 Students,

During the 2017/18 school year, York Region Public Health will visit public, catholic and private schools to provide school immunization clinics for Grade 7 students. The clinics offer vaccines for Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and Meningococcal A, C, Y, W-135 at no cost.

If you have **not** already sent a completed consent form to York Region Public Health, please do so now using the attached forms that were sent home earlier in the week. Detailed instructions on how to complete and submit the form can be found on the form and accompanying letter. If a completed consent form is not received, your child will not be able to be vaccinated at the clinic.

Under the *Immunization of School Pupils Act*, meningococcal vaccine is required for school attendance, unless an exemption is filed. Hepatitis B and HPV vaccines are recommended, but not required for school attendance.

Parents and guardians who do not consent should still complete the forms and return them, indicating that you do not authorize York Region Public Health to immunize your child.

Visit <u>vork.ca/immunizations</u> and click on School Immunization Clinics for more information.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thank you to everyone who came out to our first 17/18 School Council meeting. It was great to see so many familiar faces, as well as, new faces to our council and to our community.

We look forward to another great year, building upon the great partnership we have with our council.

Executive:

Ann Lem (Chair) Na Li (Co-Secretary) Sue Zheng (Co-Secretary) Patton Su (Treasurer)

Parent Members:

Buket Oklem Farida Kafaei Ivana Marukic Lihong Xin Lin Sun Preeti Lamba Ryan Lian Waheeda Ali Yanchen Liu Yimin Zhang

Staff Member: Robyn Reid



COMBINED GRADES

Please use the link below to find out more information from the Ministry of Education on combined grades.

http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/combinedClassrooms/combinedClassrooms.pdf

HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD SUCCEED?

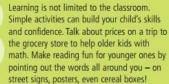
Get involved in your child's school life

Ask about their day – school work, friends, their teacher. Let them tell you about the best part of their day, and about what was not so good. This will help you share their successes and uncover any problems.

Stay connected with the school

Talk to your child's teacher. Ask questions. This can be as simple as sending a note to school with your child. Or check with the school to see if you can volunteer to help.

Make learning fun



The Ministry of Education has many tools to help both teachers and parents. Visit www.edu.gov.on.ca and discover how you can help your child succeed in school.

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AN INTRODUCTION TO COMBINED GRADES

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PROTECTING STUDENT PRIVACY UNDER THE MUNICIPAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PROTECTION OF PRIVACY ACT

At times throughout the school year, your child's first name and last initial, image or other information may be shared beyond the classroom and the school. This may happen, for example, during special events that attract media attention. Class and school newsletters, website, tweets, and displays for events, such as assemblies and seasonal celebrations are other occasions. Parents, if you wish to exclude your child, please contact Mr. Philp immediately in writing so that alternate arrangements can be made.

PARKING LOT

Please be reminded that parking is prohibited along the curb of our Kiss and Ride area as well as the North and West side of the parking lot. We at Richmond Rose want to ensure that everyone is safe and arrive and leave school safely. Thank you for keeping everyone safe!

PLEASE DON'T PARK ALONG THE CURB. USE OUR KISS n' RIDE or WALK YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL.

Meet the Teacher Night

Meet the Teacher Night September 28th

Classroom Visits 6:30 – 7 & & 7 - 7:30

STUDENT BUSING ELIGIBILITY

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Student Busing Eligibility

Did you know that students' busing eligibility changes throughout their school career? Your son/daughter's eligibility to ride the school bus may change according to their grade and distance from home to school. Below are the provisions for eligibility identified in the Board's Transportation Policy #680:

- All YRDSB students in Grades JK-3 who live within 1.2 km of their school are not eligible for transportation
- All YRDSB students in Grades 4-8 who live within 1.6 km of their school are not eligible for transportation
- All YRDSB students in Grades 9-12 who live within a transit served area are not eligible for transportation.

To view Board Policy #680 Student Transportation, please visit <u>www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca</u>. For more information about bus transportation and to determine your son/daughter's eligibility please visit <u>www.schoolbuscity.com</u>.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

This year Richmond Rose will continue to use our online payment program called *School Cash Online*. This program allows families to pay for a variety of different items electronically, using a secure site, by debit or credit card.

SAFETY WEEK

This coming week students will have an opportunity to practice a fire drill evacuation and a lock down drill. Teachers are preparing their students and explaining these different situations in developmentally appropriate ways. Staff will be spending a portion of Monday's PA day completing various Health and Safety training modules.

Richmond Rose Garden 2017

Potatoes were harvested today by Ms. Snare's class. Much excitement as 3 varieties of potatoes were collected - Classic Russet, Chieftan & Yukon Gem. The potatoes will be offered to teachers to use with their classes.





SAVE THE DATE

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

- Safety Week: Sept 26th 29th
- PA Day: Sept 25th
- Meet the teacher night: Sept 28th
- Terry Fox Run/Walk: Sept 29th

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!