



# Ross Doan Public School

## Message from the Principal



Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been an incredible year at Ross Doan Public School.

Our goal for the past two years has been to improve our student achievement in mathematics. As educators, we have enhanced our repertoire of instructional and assessment strategies in order to motivate our students. We have seen the benefits of this shift through the types of high yield learning tasks our students are engaged in which promote critical thinking, collaboration, and inquiry-based learning. Student mental health and well-being has also been an area of focus for us in order to establish a positive and welcoming school culture that celebrates and builds upon the diversity of our school population. Our Positive Climate for Learning Team has diligently worked to weave the YRDSB Character Matters initiative and the new YRDSB mission, vision, and values throughout our daily schooling practices including through announcements, assemblies, guests, presentations, and our culminating event What's Your Magic? Day.

Throughout the past year, we continued with our triad relationship with Roselawn PS and Sixteenth Avenue PS. The Parents Reaching Out events drew many participants and were rich learning and networking experiences for our school communities. Through the support of our dedicated School Council, we were able to continue to diversify our classroom resources and introduce spirit wear that proudly displays our new school logo.

It has been an exciting, productive and busy year. I would like to thank the teaching and office staff, E.A.'s and C.Y.W., Caretakers, School Council, and community partners for their efforts, commitment and devotion in making a real difference in the lives of our students.

Congratulations to Jean Knight who will be retiring from teaching at the end of June. You have made a significant impact on our students, staff, and community at Ross Doan and during your time as an educator. Wishing you all the best as you enter a new phase in your life.

I would like to thank Yvonne Sun and Maggie Yu for their contributions to Ross Doan PS and wish them all the best as they assume positions at other schools in the fall. As well, we bid farewell to our devoted Long Term Occasional teachers, Suzanne Greenberg, Navneet Sagoo, Marliz Tel, Tammy Hall, Mackenzie Thatcher, and Cheryl Barbeau.

Thank you all for supporting us in our efforts as we strive to support all our students achieve to the best of their ability. I would like to thank you, our parents, for entrusting us with the task of educating your children! As the Proud Principal of Ross Doan Public School, I am so pleased to witness our many accomplishments and innovations in education. Thank you for embracing the work that we are doing to provide a quality educational experience for our students. Without your support, we would not be able to achieve so many successes. I look forward to our continued partnership and to our continued journey together to ensure achievement and success of all our students.

Sincerely,  
Bernadette Smith, Principal

*Administrative Staff*

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*Daily Schedule*

Entry Bell	8:55 a.m.
Instructional Time	9:00-10:40 a.m.
Recess	10:40-11:10
Instructional Time	11:10-12:50 p.m.
Lunch	12:50-1:50 p.m.
Instructional Time	12:50 - 3:30
Dismissal	3:30 p.m.



**SCHOOL GOAL**  
**STAY COOL**

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**CHARACTER TRAIT**  
**PERSEVERANCE**  
**AND**  
**OPTIMISM**



## IMPORTANT SCHOOL NEWS



**RDPS SUMMER CARNIVAL**  
**JUNE 11**  
**5:30—7:30 RAIN OR SHINE**



Our Last Milk delivery to classrooms will be on Friday, June 20<sup>h</sup>, 2013



### Lost and Found

Parents are reminded to come into the school to check out the school's Lost and Found display and bin. Items that are not claimed by the year end will be donated to a charity that will use the clothing, shoes, and boots to help those less fortunate.



**IMPORTANT**  
**ALL**  
**LIBRARY BOOKS**  
**ARE DUE**  
**NOW**



### IMPORTANT



If you know that your child will not be at school on June 26<sup>h</sup> to receive their report card, please send a stamped self addressed envelope to the office so that we can mail your child(ren) report card home. If not, we will hold the report card at the school until the first day of school on September 2, 2014.

### Lunch Assistant Needed!

If you are interested in being a paid back-up lunch assistant and supervise the students during the lunch period please contact Ms.Eden or Ms. Kipling 905-884-4022.

### Student Medication Pick up

We would like to remind parents to please pick up their child's medication (Epipens, ventilators etc.) before the end of the school year. Thanks!



### Important Transportation Notice for Students Entering Grade 4

The distance in Grade 4 changes from 1.2 kilometres to 1.6 kilometres in order for students to be eligible for transportation. Parents of new grade 4 students are encouraged to contact the school during the last week of August to confirm whether your child/ren is/are eligible for bus transportation in the 2014/15 school year.



### Will you be here this September 2014?

We are already planning for the upcoming 2014-2015 school year! We are in the process of projecting the number of students who will be attending Ross Doan next year. We ask that families assist us with these preparations by informing the office (in writing) if you are moving out of the Ross Doan P.S. area. Please include the last day of attendance and the school your child(ren) will be attending. This will also facilitate in the transfer of your child's records (OSR). This information is very important for staffing and organizing our classes. Thank you!

WHAT'S YOUR MAGIC DAY



What's your magic day was a great success! The whole school enjoyed a day of exploring their passions and interests while making new friends at the same time. Students had the opportunity to rotate through different interactive workshops ranging from drumming, printmaking, nature walk, gardening, coding, jewellery making and dance. In the morning, everyone got to choose 2 different workshops to participate in based on their interests and their learning style. In the afternoon, the whole school came together to celebrate the day and to share in a collaborate art and music presentation. The day ended with a special finale outside with the whole school blowing bubbles and taking a commemorative photo. We hope that all our students found their magic and continue to pursue their dreams and strive to their fullest potential.

LIST OF APPS AT ROSS DOAN

WORD GAMES	LANGUAGE	MATH
Spelling fleas	Quick voice	Make change
Fill the gap	Toontastic	Number series
Word family	Sock puppets	Pizza 1
Magnetic ABC	Dragon Dictation	Math garden
Fun rhyming	Notability	Tell Time
Sound sorting	Comic life	Rocket Math
Tic tac toe	Strip design	Tumble town mathematics
Work magic	Book creator	Geometry 4 kids
	My story	Math bingo
	Pages	Educreations
	Keynote	

LIST OF WEBSITES

- Starfall <http://www.starfall.com/>
- Tumblebooks <http://www.tumblebooks.com/library/>
- Online Storytime <http://barnesandnoble.com/u/online-storytime-books-toys/>
- Teaching Kids News <http://teachingkidsnews.com/>
- Raz-Kids <http://www.raz-kids.com/main/login>

## Survey for Parents/Guardians

The deadline to complete the survey for parents/guardians has been extended to June 6. You can complete the survey:

Online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SchoolClimateParent2014>.

On paper. Paper copies are available through the school in English and 11 other languages.

The surveys provide the Board and our school with valuable information about how you feel about the school environment and your child's education. The results will be used to identify areas that need to be addressed, monitor progress and plan strategies to support student achievement and well-being. We value parent input and encourage you to complete the survey. The information parents provide will be anonymous, considered confidential and kept in strict accordance with all relevant legislation. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

<https://bww.yrdsb.ca/services/research/Documents/SchoolWorkplaceClimateSurveys/ParentGuardianSchoolClimateSurveys/ParentGuardianSchoolClimateSurvey2013-2014/LinkToTranslatedLettersToParents.pdf>

**June 26h, 2014**

**Professional Half Day**

**Please note that students will only attend school during the morning of June 26**

**Students will be dismissed at 12:00 p.m.**

**Bussing will commence**  
**shortly after 12:00 pm.**



The School office will be closed from

Monday, June 30th, 2014

to

Friday August 22rd, 2014

inclusive

The office will reopen on

Monday, August 25th, 2013.



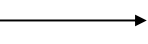






**HAVE A GREAT AND SAFE SUMMER**





# JUNE 2014

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 SCIENTIST (Ms. Lowe) 	3 IN THE (Ms. Pearl) 	4 CLASSROOM (Ms. Caughey) 	5 SWIMMING Grade 3s 	6 P.A. DAY NO SCHOOL	7
8	9 GRADE 4s VISIT ROSELAWN	10 CHARACTER AWARD ASSEMBLY	11 FAMILY FUN NIGHT 	12 SWIMMING Grade 3s 	13	14
15	16  SCIENTIST GRADE 3s	17 IN THE CLASSROOM → Gr. 4s MEDIEVAL TIMES	18 SCHOOL PLAY GO FISH	19 SWIMMING Grade 3s 	20 LAST DAY OF MILK 	21
22	23 KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION	24	25	26 <b>SCHOOL OUT FOR THE SUMMER 12:00PM DISMISSAL</b>	27	28

*Have a Fun and Safe Summer*

