



Ross Doan Public School

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The 2012/2013 school year end is fast approaching. It is gratifying to cherish the many remarkable accomplishments we have experienced during the past year. Through the efforts of our staff, school council, and members of our school community, we have much to celebrate including:

- * Enhanced school and family partnership through the development of our learning triad between Ross Doan PS, Roselawn PS, and Sixteenth Avenue PS
- * Integration of hands-on learning as part of our Arts Package that has showcased the skills and talents of members of our own parent community including drumming sessions led by Ora Goldin and painting on silk facilitated by Elina Ten
- * Infusion of technology throughout curricular areas, including through the use of tools such as MineCraft, Educreations, and iMovie as accessed through the 5 iPads within each classroom, to encourage greater curiosity, creativity, and collaboration in learning
- * Greater precision with instructional methods in the area of mathematics through inquiry-based learning methods that promotes critical thinking, talk, and in-depth questioning about mathematical concepts
- * Character Matters assemblies and resulting school-wide initiatives, including the creation of an Ambassador Program to welcome new students and Healthy Snacking initiatives, that promote well-being and the creation of an inclusive and supportive school climate
- * ...and so much more

Full Day Kindergarten (FDK) is coming to Ross Doan Public School this fall! We are eagerly getting things ready to welcome all our students in September as we review initiatives, plan programs for the new year, create timetables, set up classes, determine classroom locations, order new supplies, and so much more! If you have any gently used toys including puzzles, games, Lego, etc. that you wish to donate to our school, please drop them off at our school office. We appreciate your support.

We anticipate that June will be a busy month for our students. In addition to the learning that will be taking place, students will also be participating in year-end excursions, assemblies, and team events including Track & Field and Eco Club school projects. We are pleased that grade 8 students from Roselawn will once again be here to lead the activities during Play Day.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evening for our much anticipated Annual School Carnival being organized by members of our dedicated School Council. Come join in the fun!

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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 a.m.
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**

**Character Traits
HONESTY
AND
OPTIMISM**



Healthy Schools

Canada's Longest Day of Play!

June 21, 2013 is the summer solstice and we will be enjoying the most daylight hours this year. To celebrate, Participaction is hosting its first annual Longest Day of Play. The organization is encouraging all Canadians to go to the park after dinner to take advantage of the most daylight hours. So invite some friends and head over to your local park, playground, school fields and PLAY!

For more activities, please visit

<http://www.participaction.com/get-moving/longest-day-of-play/>

Positive Climates Corner

As this year comes to an end, the Positive Climates Team would like to take a moment to thank you all for a great year! Together we have paid it forward, stood up against bullies, done our share to care for our community and environment, saved change to make a change, and so much more! We are wishing you all an amazing summer! Continue to show your character at every opportunity. We can't wait to find new ways to grow together next year!



Literacy News

We can't believe it is June already! Here are some useful websites that you could use over the summer:

Starfall

<http://www.starfall.com/>

Tumblebooks

<http://www.tumblebooks.com/library/>

Online Storytime

<http://www.barnesandnoble.com/u/online-storytime-books-toys/>

Teaching Kids News

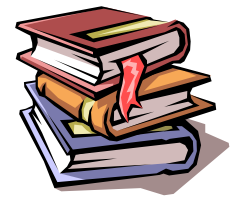
<http://teachingkidsnews.com/>

Raz-Kids

<http://www.raz-kids.com/main/Login>

Please continue to read with your child over the summer and to talk about the books that he/she has read.

Happy Reading!



IMPORTANT SCHOOL NEWS

Ross Doan

Annual Family
Picnic

June 5th, 2013

5:45PM to 7:45PM



18ft Inflatable Slide
Face Painting
Dancing

FOR SALE : Raffle Tickets,
Cotton Candy, Popcorn
and Baked Goods



June 27th, 2013

Professional Half Day

Please note that students will only attend school
during the morning of June 27th

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

Bussing will commence
shortly after 12:00 pm.

IMPORTANT

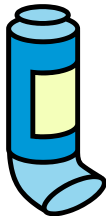
If you know that your child will not be at school on
June 27th to receive their report card, please send a
stamped self addressed envelope
to the office so that we can mail
your child(ren) report card home.
If not, we will hold the report card
at the school until the first day of
school on September 3RD, 2013



Our Last Milk delivery to
classrooms will be on
Friday, June 21ST, 2013

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!



Are you Moving?



If you are planning on moving
out of the Ross Doan PS attendance area and will not
be attending Ross Doan for the 2013/14 school year,
please contact the school office as soon as possible.
This information is necessary to assist us in classroom
organization.



Student Bussing Eligibility

Did you know that students' bussing 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 www.yrdsb.edu.on.ca. For
more information about bus transportation and to determine your son/daughter's eligibility
please visit: www.schoolbuscity.com.



- JUNE 5TH — SUMMER CARNIVAL 5:45PM - 7:45PM
- JUNE 7TH — P.A. Day—NO SCHOOL
- JUNE 13th — Volunteer Tea 8:00AM — 9:00 AM
- JUNE 21st — PLAY DAY - BRING HATS, SUNSCREEN AND WATER
- JUNE 24TH — Grade 4 Awards & Appreciation Assembly
- JUNE 27th — LAST DAY OF SCHOOL—dismissal at 12:00PM



LOST AND FOUND

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

LIBRARY NEWS All

library books are due back in the library by Friday, June 7th.

Students who have lost or damaged books will be asked to pay for their replacement cost.

Your cooperation in helping us prepare our library for the next school year is greatly appreciated.

Lunch Assistant Needed

If you are interested in being a paid lunch assistant and supervise the students during the lunch period on a full time basis, please contact the school at 905-884-4022.

 <p>Skitch</p>	<p>Skitch lets you communicate your feedback and ideas in an instant. Annotate images and documents with arrows, stamps, shapes, text, and more. Use Skitch to mark up a PDF, snap your screen, annotate a photo, or draw something new. Then, share your thoughts and ideas with friends. Getting everything done just right has never been easier.</p>
 <p>Dragon Dictation</p>	<p>Dragon Dictation is an easy-to-use voice recognition application powered by Dragon® NaturallySpeaking® that allows you to easily speak and instantly see your text or email messages. In fact, it's up to five (5) times faster than typing on the keyboard. So when you're on-the-go, stop typing and start speaking – from stories to letters to lists, and anything in between. Dragon Dictation supports a multitude of global languages.</p>

Message from our Trustee

As the school year comes to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for another successful school year.

A school is more than a place of learning – it is a community. Thanks to the ongoing efforts of our students, families, staff and community partners, we have created a welcoming, caring and inclusive learning environment where students can thrive.

Our school community has come together throughout the past year to celebrate diversity, support student learning and achievement, and to make a difference – whether it is to benefit our community, our environment or those less fortunate than us. This is a good time to recognize and celebrate your child's successes over the past year, and to set goals for next year.

Learning does not need to end as summer begins. There are many opportunities to keep learning throughout the summer months, and I encourage you to continue seeking them. That could mean taking a nature walk, visiting a museum or gallery, volunteering in the community or reading a book.

Whatever your plans are over the next few months, I hope you have a safe and enjoyable summer.



The School office will be closed from
Monday, July 1st, 2013

to

Friday August 23rd, 2013

inclusive

The office will reopen on

Monday, August 26th, 2013.

Office Hours are Monday to Friday

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.







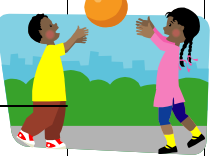

HAVE A GREAT AND SAFE SUMMER





JUNE 2013

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16	17 LAST DAY HIP HOP	18	19 MEDIEVAL TIMES—GR. 4S 	20	21 PLAY DAY 9:30am To 12:30pm PIZZA 	22
23	24 GR. 4 AWARDS AND APPRECIATION ASSEMBLY	25 KINDERGATEN →	26 CELEBRATIONS REPORT CARDS	27 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL DISMISSAL AT NOON	28 	29

Ross Doan School Council Newsletter

June 2013

Your School 2012-2013 Council Representatives

Bernadette Smith - Principal
Stephanie Signer- Teacher Rep.
Yvonne Sun - Teacher Rep.
Tanya Dymont - Chair
Avi Yoffe - Vice Chair
Johanne Merritt - Treasurer
Shelley Beaudry - Secretary
Ginny Brod - Fundraising Chair
Karen Gaston- Parent Rep.
Calvin Ni- Parent Rep.
Smita (Tina) Patel- Parent Rep.
Ora Goldin- Parent Rep.
Mojgan Shojaei-Parent Rep
Norma Laughlin - Community Rep.

PARENTS REACHING OUT EVENING

Thank you for the overwhelming response to our PRO event that took place at Roselawn PS last week.

We welcomed Jeewan Chanika, Vice Principal in YRDSB, as our guest. He shared his story and many insights related to ways we can enhance parent engagement and create a more inclusive school community.

Thank you for all your suggestions and insights as we continue our journey together to enhance our school/home partnership.

ROSS DOAN SUMMER CARNIVAL WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2013

5:45—7:45

Reminder all students and their families are invited to attend our Summer Carnival on Wednesday, June 5th, 2013 from 5:45 to 7:45.

A sneak peak of events includes a Teacher Bake Sale, Basket Raffles, Inflatable slide and Cotton Candy.....

If you did not order pizza remember to pack your own picnic dinner!

POPCORN FRIDAYS

Popcorn Fridays are now over (last sale Fri May 31st)
Thank you to everyone for supporting this fundraising initiative!

FUNDSCRIP

Thank you to everyone who supported our Fundscrip Fundraising initiative this year.

Upcoming Meeting **"Tentative" Dates**

Tuesday, June 11th, 2013
Join us from 6:30 - 8:30

Don't forget to read our monthly school newsletter as it will be full of information about events, happenings and other activities our school will be involved with.

Should you have any questions or concerns
contacts us via email at ross.doan.ps@sc.yrdsb.edu.on.ca
or by calling us at (905) 884-4022 ext 702

Thank you to all our volunteers. No matter how much time, every minute counts.

Wishing you all a safe and happy summer ahead!