



# REVIEW



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June 4, 2021

## Principal's Message:

Good afternoon Rouge Park Families,

Earlier this week, the Government of Ontario announced that schools in Ontario, including York Region District School Board, will remain closed to in-person learning until the end of the 2020-2021 school year with learning continuing virtually. We understand that this announcement will result in a mix of emotions for our families. If your child is struggling with the isolation of virtual learning, please reach out to their teacher and to me so that we can offer support.

June is a busy month of winding up this school year and preparing for the next. Whether you are EVS or F2F, you are all part of our community and we will continue to share information with you as we receive it. There will be dates designated for returning borrowed technology and retrieving materials from school. Please keep your eyes open for further communication in the coming weeks.

Remember that we are all part of the Rouge Park family. If you need anything at all, please reach out to me and we will support you in any way possible.

Enjoy your weekend!

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## School Council Meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended last week's virtual School Council meeting. It was great to see a few new faces! Our final meeting of the year will be on Thursday, June 17th @ 6:30 pm. This will predominantly be a social event along with a few school-related updates. This will be a "charcuterie" themed evening so please plan to join us with a snack and drink of your choice. We continue to grow our small council and look forward to seeing more new families at the next meeting. All are welcome!

## National Indigenous History Month

In June, we commemorate National Indigenous History Month 2021 to recognize the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada.

[Featured Video: A Time To Commemorate: National Indigenous History Month 2021](#)

Staff and students have been engaging in learning about, appreciating and acknowledging the contributions First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples have made in shaping Canada.

## New Purchases for RPPS

We have been busy purchasing some new items for our school. Check out the pictures below for a sneak peak at some of the things our students will enjoy in September 2021!

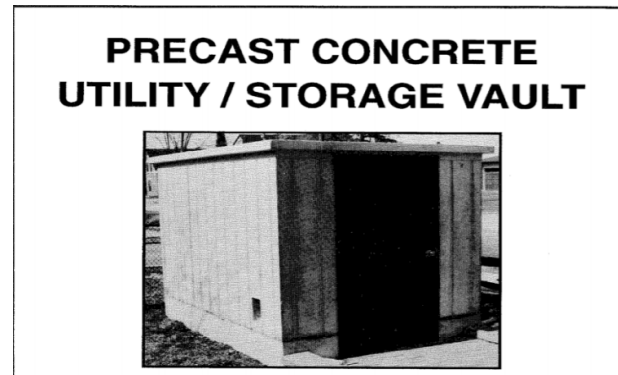


Pavement paint for basketball and 4 square

6 basketball hoops!



A new scoreboard for our gym!



A storage bunker for kindergarten

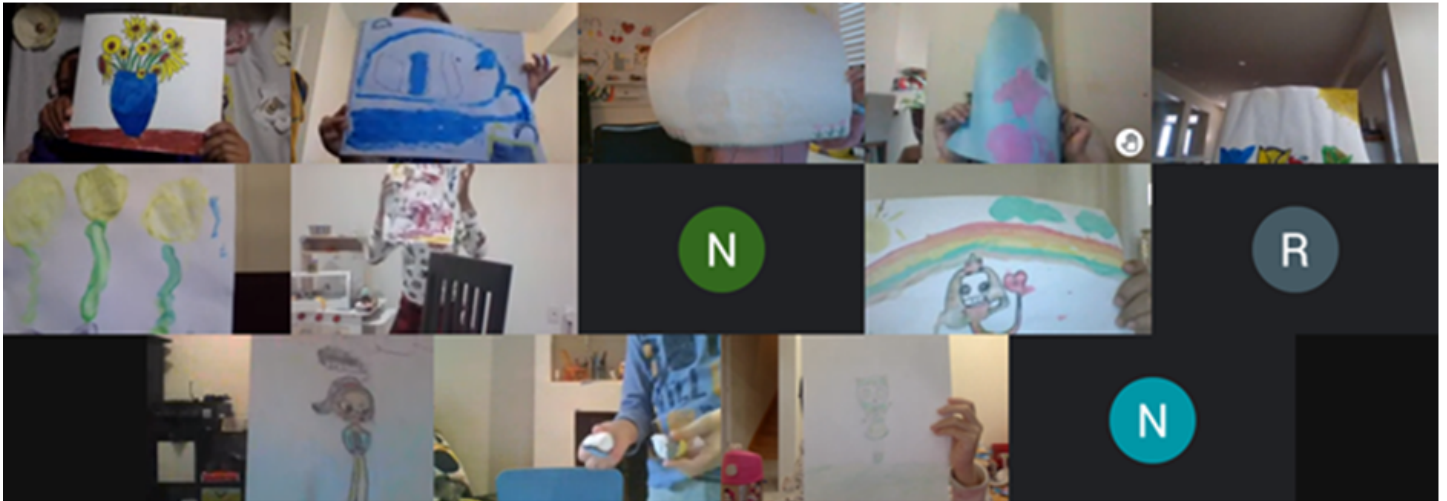
<p><b>Literacy</b> PM+ readers, Sankofa texts, Reading assessments, Indigenous texts</p>	<p><b>Math and Science</b> Shared and classroom manipulatives, balance scales, 7000 linking cubes! Fosnot kits</p>	<p><b>Physical Education</b> Volleyball poles, balls (basketball, soccer, tennis, dodgeballs), skipping ropes (P/J/I size), PADDLE BALL, and more!</p>
<p><b>Technology</b> 130 chromebooks, 6 carts, ceiling mounted projectors and speakers, gym projector, robotix.</p>	<p><b>Learning Commons</b> Graphic novels, chapter books and novels, dual language books</p>	<p><b>French</b> Printed materials for instructional and classroom support.</p>

AND THERE'S MORE...

<p><b>Kindergarten</b> Bee bots, iPads, light desks, resources and materials to support intentional play-based program indoors and outdoors</p>	<p><b>DPA/Recess bags</b> Skipping ropes, 4 square balls, footballs, frisbees for all classrooms and Spikeball for all grade 4-8 classes</p>	<p>We are investing in our students and ensuring that our materials and resources are inclusive and engaging for each learner in our school!</p>
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## Fun Fridays!

Our staff continues to plan Fun Friday events to keep spirits alive at RPPS. Next week we will be having an art themed day and the following week will feature a school-wide Tic Tac Toe competition with the finals broadcast live on Friday, June 18th. Ms. Trim's class made some slides to show their Fun Friday experiences and Ms. Seepaul's class included a picture of a fun Friday painting day below:



## Pride Month

The Pride Flag is internationally recognized as a symbol of pride, hope and diversity. In 1978, Gilbert Baker, a San Francisco artist, designed the Pride Flag as a response to the need for a symbol to support the LGBT rights movement. The current flag has six stripes, each with its own meaning: To recognize Pride Month in YRDSB and our commitment to inclusive learning spaces, we will be raising the Pride Flag at RPPS next week.



# DID YOU KNOW...



The European gypsy moth / *Lymantria dispar dispar* (LDD) is a non-native invasive insect? It was introduced to the United States in the late 1800s and first detected in Ontario in 1969.

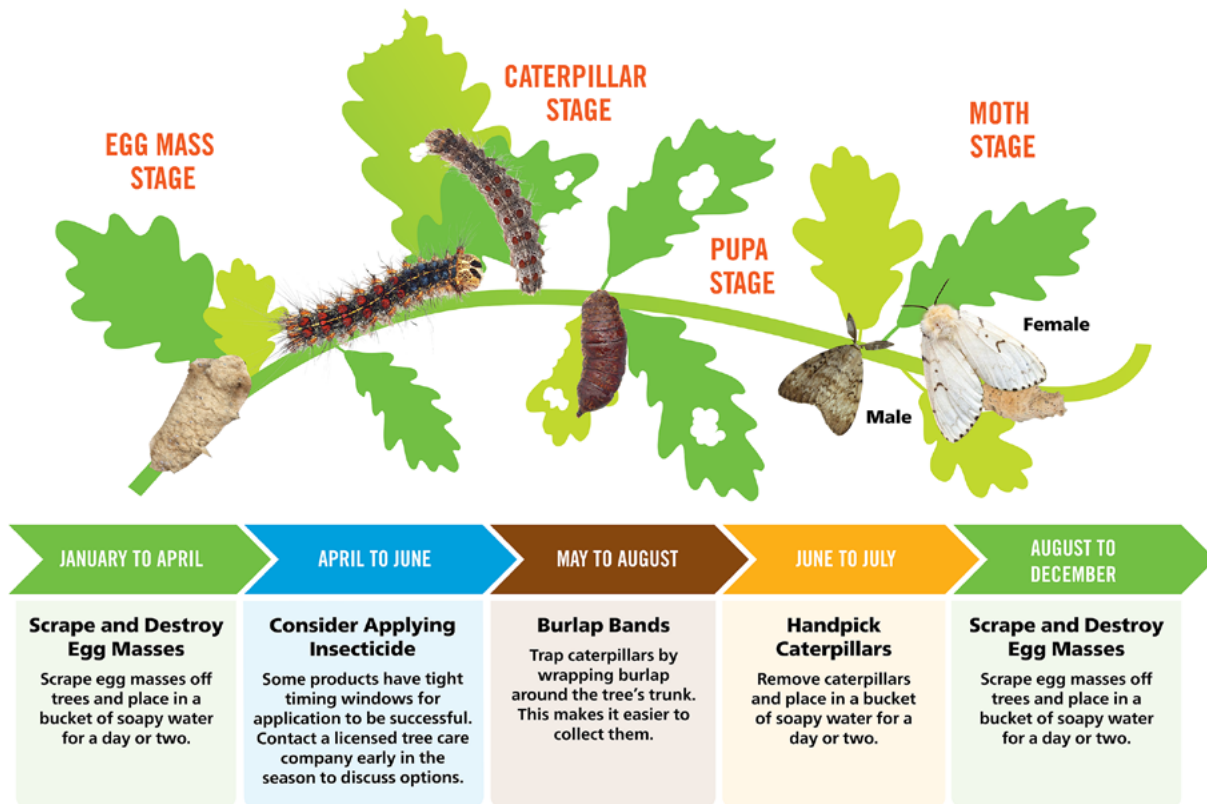
Monitoring indicates York Region will likely experience an infestation of LDD this spring/summer. At outbreak levels, severe tree defoliation is likely to occur in several areas of York Region including school grounds.



LDD prefers to feed on oak tree leaves but will feed on the leaves of many other hardwoods including maple, elm, birch, poplar and willow trees. In some rare cases, when their numbers are extremely high, the caterpillar will feed on evergreens such as pine and spruce.

Take the actions below on trees in your school ground or at home to help control the impact of this invasive pest. Always remember to wear gloves when handling caterpillars and egg masses to avoid an allergic reaction.

## Gypsy moth/*Lymantria dispar dispar* (LDD) Life Cycle



Since the name gypsy moth may be perceived as culturally insensitive, this year our messaging will also focus on building awareness of its Latin name *Lymantria dispar dispar* (LDD). Our goal is for people to become familiar with the term LDD and associate it with this invasive pest going forward.

For more information on how to protect trees visit [york.ca/LDDmoth](http://york.ca/LDDmoth)



## Parent Engagement Event (Mandarin session)

How to use your child's report card as a tool to encourage and affirm their learning and achievements

**成績單回家了，怎麼跟孩子談？**

**讓我們一起來學習，如何傾聽和表達，才能走進孩子的內心**

### Guest Speakers / 普通話講座嘉賓

#### **Julia Shen 沈近嘉**

Certified NVC Trainer Candidate  
Supervisor, WeSupport

非暴力溝通認證培訓師候選人  
加華心理健康互助平台培訓師

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日期：2021年6月7日

時間：晚上7:00 - 9:00

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