



# REVIEW



April 6, 2023

## Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

We had an awesome week filled with an Earth Rangers presentation, a Kindergarten trip, junior volleyball games and lots of learning in classrooms.

This week our intermediate students had the pleasure of hearing Wali Shah, poet and public speaker, talk about his story and the power of spoken word. Wali Shah has performed for such public figures as Barack Obama – and alongside artists like Selena Gomez and Kendrick Lamar. One reverse poem he shared with the students can be seen on Youtube:

▶ [Dear Humanity, It's Time To Give Up \(Reverse Poem\)](#)

Make sure you watch the whole thing. Our students were so engaged throughout Wali's workshop and thoroughly enjoyed listening to his experiences and life-lessons.

We hope you all enjoy the information and pictures below and that you are able to have a relaxing LONG weekend with friends and family. To those who observe Easter and Passover, we wish you a happy celebration.

Please reach out if you need us for anything. We are here to help.

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## Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
April 10	0	Easter Monday - no school
April 11	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Junior Boys Basketball @ 9:50</li> <li>• Grade 7&amp;8 Chess Club @ 12:00</li> <li>• Primary choir/recorder group @ 12:20</li> <li>• EQAO meeting @ 2:45</li> <li>• Jr Boys Basketball Game @ Rouge Park vs. Black Walnut @ 3:00</li> <li>• Hand Tools and Building Club @ 2:45</li> </ul>

April 12	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Girls volleyball club @ 7:10</li> <li>• Beading Club @ morning recess</li> <li>• Snack Shack</li> <li>• Grade 3&amp;4 Chess Club @ 12:00</li> <li>• Intermediate band @ 12:20</li> <li>• Junior Girls Basketball Practice @ 2:45</li> </ul>
April 13	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COED Badminton Club @ 7:10</li> <li>• Junior Boys Basketball @ 9:50</li> <li>• Grade 2,3,4 Craft Club @ a.m. recess</li> <li>• Fire Dept. Visit gr. 3</li> <li>• Karate @ 12:00 in the gym</li> <li>• Junior Band Rehearsal @ 12:00</li> <li>• Grade 4-5 After School Tutoring with Mr. Gourley</li> <li>• Jr Girls Bball Practice @ 2:45</li> </ul>
April 14	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GSA Meeting @ 9:50</li> <li>• Grade 5&amp;6 Chess Club @ 12:00</li> <li>• Forest of Reading Club (gr. 3-8) @ 12:15</li> <li>• Pop Band Rehearsal/ Percussion Group (Gr 5-8) @ 12:20</li> </ul>
<p>Upcoming:</p> <p>May 4 - Grade 7/8 Immunizations @ RPPS</p> <p>May 10- June 14- EQAO Test Dates</p> <p>May 15-17 - Grade 8 Trip</p> <p>May 22 - Victoria Day (School Closed)</p> <p>May 26 - Dental Screening (Grades JK, SK, 2 &amp; 8)</p> <p>May 30 - Dental Screening (Grades JK, SK, 2 &amp; 8)</p> <p>June 2 - PA DAY</p> <p>June 16 - Fire Dept. Visit all students</p> <p>June 27 - Grade 8 Grad</p>		

## Ramadan

Ramadan Mubarak to those who celebrate. Ramadan began March 22nd. Room 214 is available during recess and lunch as a space for Muslim students who would like a place to gather and celebrate, away from food sources.

### Important Reminders Re: Drop off and Pick up:

Please remember to drive slowly in and around the school area when dropping off and picking up your children. Our kiss'n ride is a slow zone and cars should be traveling in a single line without passing or overtaking others. We are reminding all kindergarten families to either use the kiss'n ride or park on the street and walk your child to their gate. The loop at the front of the school is for our school buses and vans only. Kindergarten parents should also be dropping their children at the gate, not the classroom door. Thank you for working with us to ensure a safe school environment and one in which we build independence in our students.

**We are also reminding all families that the parking lot at the back side of the school is reserved for daycare only. Please do not pull into this parking lot to drop your child off.**

## Lunch Assistants Needed

We are always looking for School Assistants to help supervise during lunch hours. These are **paid positions**. We welcome parents and community members to apply and join the Rouge Park team. If you are interested in this role, please contact our school office.

## EQAO Webinar for Parents and Guardians of Elementary-School Students

Register for this webinar and learn about EQAO assessment results and Ontario's large-scale assessment program at the elementary-school level. EQAO will review highlights from the 2021–2022 assessment results. The session will also highlight how the primary-division (Grade 3) and junior-division (Grade 6) assessments have been modernized. The presentation will be approximately 45 minutes and will be followed by a live Q & A session with EQAO staff.

Registration: [www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507](http://www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507)

## Parent Engagement Evening

Last week we had the privilege of joining 5 other schools to hear Dr. Andrew Campbell speak to "Equity Begins at Home". If you were unable to attend the presentation, you can view the taped version on youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P7kLOopuO0E&t=178s>



## EQUITY BEGINS AT HOME

COMMUNITY TALK Prepared and presented by Dr. Andrew B. Campbell (DR. ABC) March 29, 2023

[www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

## 2023-24 School Year Calendar

The proposed YRDSB 2023-2024 school year calendars have been sent to the Ministry for review and approval. These calendars may be accessed on the YRDSB website at:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/school-year-calendar> Please note: Calendars are not official until they receive formal Ministry approval which is expected in late May 2023.

## Battery Blitz Contest:

Please send in your used batteries beginning on April 4th to help our environment and to help our school win big prizes!

## Are you Moving?

If you are planning on moving or have moved, please be sure to contact the office so we have your updated information. If you are no longer in our area, you will need to register in the school closest to your home.

### **School Council**

Our next meeting is scheduled for May 30 from 6:30-7:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for this face to face meeting at Rouge Park.

### **Summer Institute**

Looking for summer learning and fun activities for students entering Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8? Summer Institute offers academic, recreational and athletic programs and activities with intentional links to the Ontario Curriculum. The program runs for five weeks during July and August. It is offered at 10 school sites around York Region. For more information on dates, programs and locations, please visit the [Summer Institute](#) webpage on [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca). Registration opens March 29, 2023 at 4:00pm. Families can register online.

### **Kindergarten Registration:**

If you have a child who will turn 4 years old before the end of 2023, they are eligible to begin school in September. There are several ways you can register for kindergarten. We encourage you to register early so that you reserve a spot at RPPS. Families can register using the following options:

- Online - Families can access the online Kindergarten registration information at [www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten](http://www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten) > Registration. It is recommended that families use a laptop or a desktop, rather than a mobile device to complete this registration.
- By email - Families can download the [Elementary School Registration Form](#) at [www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten](http://www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten) and email the completed form to their school email address.
- By phone - Families can request support to complete the registration form on their behalf by collecting the required information by phone. Families can request an interpreter, if needed, during this phone conversation.
- In-person at the school - Families may visit the school office to drop off or complete a registration form.

### **Registration Verification Process**

Following submission of a registration package, schools will contact families to schedule an appointment for Document Verification.

Flyers for This Week

 TripleP\_Parenting\_Sessions.pdf



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Dear Parents/Guardians of Future BHSS students,

In September 2023, Bill Hogarth Secondary School will be introducing a 1:1 (Bring Your Own Device) program for all our students. This program has each student bring their own digital device to school each day to support the use of digital tools in class to enrich their learning environment.

## What is the 1:1 Program?

- An approach to education that revolves around improving student learning and engagement with the integration of technology into daily school life.
- Students enhance their critical thinking skills as creators with technology rather than passive consumers of technology
- All students are required to have access to a laptop, chromebook or tablet PC for education purposes. Students take ownership of their device and will not be required to share with others.
- Students are provided a locker to store their device to ensure its safe keeping while at school and not in use.

## Benefits of 1:1 Learning:

- Increases collaboration within and beyond the classroom
- Provides immediate access to resources and information
- Improves organization and planning
- Promotes self-initiated learning and increases independence
- Develops the technological know-how students will need in their future endeavours

## Technology Requirements:

- A cell phone is not a 1:1 device
- Students will not be required to purchase software. If they take a course that uses proprietary software, the school will provide resources for access.
- Families can choose with their child the device that is most appropriate for them. Chromebooks will suffice for this program.
- Battery life is the most important component for your child's device

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself ([rose.li@yrdsb.ca](mailto:rose.li@yrdsb.ca)) or Rob Cotey, Vice Principal ([robert.cotey@yrdsb.ca](mailto:robert.cotey@yrdsb.ca)).

Sincerely,

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# Beach Day!



# Earth Rangers and Beading Club



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# Junior Girls Basketball

