



REVIEW



December 2, 2022

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

Preparations are underway for two showcases/concerts in December. On Wednesday, December 14, Dr. Gunn will be showcasing both choirs, the primary recorder club, the band and some soloists. On Tuesday, December 20, our kindergarten concert will take place at 1:15 in the afternoon. We hope you can join us as the students share their talents!

Yesterday was the FIFA World Cup of Soccer Spirit Day at RPPS. Students dressed in their favourite team colours and we played the Canada/Morocco game on the big screen in the gym. Classes and/or individual students came for a portion of the morning to enjoy some school-wide spirit as we cheered on Canada and Morocco. We also collected non-perishable food items for our food drive as students entered the gym. Please enjoy some pictures of this event below.

Our Holiday Food Drive is still on as we collect non-perishable items for those in need. We will do one final drop to the Markham Food Bank just before the winter break. Thank you to everyone who has been able to donate.

As always, reach out if you need us for anything. We are here to help. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Dec. 5	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gr. 4-8 choir @ 12:20 Gr. 4-6 (Jr.) boys volleyball @ 12:20
Dec. 6	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gr. 4-6 (Jr.) boys volleyball @ 12:20 Gr. 1-3 choir @ 12:20 Picture Retake Day
Dec. 7	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Snack Shack @ morning recess Gr. 4-6 (Jr.) girls volleyball @ morning recess Grade 7 and 8 band @ 12:20
Dec. 8	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jr. Boys volleyball @ first recess Gr. 4-6 (Jr.) girls volleyball @ lunch

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gr. 5-6 Band @ 12:20 ● Pizza Day
Dec. 9	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pop Band Rehearsal @ 12:20 ● Gr. 4-6 (Jr.) girls volleyball @ lunch
<p>Upcoming:</p> <p>December 14 - Winter Concert 6:30-7:30 (choirs, recorder club, gr. 6,7,8 Band and Soloists)</p> <p>December 20 - Kindergarten Concert @ 1:15</p> <p>December 23 - Last day of school before winter break</p> <p>January 9 - First day of school for 2023! Deadline to place an order for our next pizza day cycle.</p> <p>January 10 - School Council Meeting @ 6:30 in person at RPPS</p>		

Dressing for the Weather

The snow has arrived! Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather. They should have boots, coats, hats, mitts and snowpants. A change of clothes and socks is also a good idea. Our students will enjoy their recesses a lot more if they are dressed for the weather. If you are in need of winter clothing for your child, please let us know. We have many gently used items that have been donated.



Being On Time for School

With the colder weather, we are seeing more students late for school each morning. When a student is late, it is disruptive to the office and to their class when they interrupt the morning learning. It also means your child misses the morning announcements and the start of learning time in their classroom. Arriving at school on time is a life skill we are trying very hard to instill in our students. The kiss n ride is much less busy if you arrive between 7:55 and 8:05 than it is between 8:05 and 8:10. We thank you in advance for supporting an on-time arrival for your child(ren).

Winter Concert

Please see the poster below, designed by our student leadership team, for information about our winter concert scheduled for Wednesday, December 14th.

Picture Retake Day

Our picture retake day was scheduled for this past Tuesday. Unfortunately, the photographer did not show up and we received no communication from the company until receiving an apology after the school day ended. They have now rescheduled the retake day for **Tuesday, December 6th**. We apologize for the change in plans!

Illness and Covid Guidelines Families are asked to screen their children using

<https://www.ontario.ca/school-screening/> Please note that if a student arrives back after testing positive for covid, they must wear a mask for **10 days**. Siblings who live in the same household should also wear a mask while at school. We ask that students only return when they are feeling better. If your child has the flu, they should also stay home until they have fully recovered so that they do not spread the illness to classmates. Thank you for doing your part to keep the students and staff at Rouge Park safe and healthy.

Prayer Room

Our prayer room is in room 117 (Ms. Ahmed's room) and is available to students and staff who wish to pray during the school day. Please let your child's teacher know if they need help finding and accessing the prayer room.

Food Drive

Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to the Markham Food Bank. We delivered a car full of items yesterday and they were received with enormous thanks. The shelves there are bare and the people who work there said the need is greater than ever. With this in mind, we will continue accepting donations until the winter break. If you are able, please consider sending non-perishable items to school.



School Council

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 10 from 6:30-7:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for this face to face meeting at Rouge Park.

Grade 5 Visit to Queens Park

On Friday, November 25th Mrs. Ferrari and Mrs. Mani's Grade 5 students went to Queens Park. Today we wanted to tell you about our experience! We were very excited to go on our first trip this year! We left at 9:15am and arrived there at 10:30am for our Queens Park tour! We saw the map of Ontario and we learned many facts about our province! Then we saw a nickel block. It was super cool to see! Afterwards, we learned about the mace. We went into the Chamber and learned about the jobs and debates in that room. Going upstairs to see the half of the building that was burnt down and comparing it to the newer, rebuilt area was really cool! We learned that it took them 3 whole years to repair that half of the building. Finally, we went downstairs to take a whole group photo! We wrapped up our tour and we quickly went to eat our lunch. On the last part of our field trip, we did a fun scavenger hunt outside of the building! We looked at the monuments, sculptures, and flags on the grounds. By 1:15pm, we were heading back on the bus to go back to Rouge Park. And that was the end of our wonderful and exciting experience at the Legislative Assembly!

By: Abiha, Jayden, Shylah and Sonia





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FIFA Spirit Day!





PARENTING TRAPS

STRATEGIES FOR A SUCCESSFUL WINTER BREAK!

Let's talk about it!

Kids don't come with an instruction manual! Many familiar parenting problems have very simple solutions that can be applied with some effort and focus. Triple P's easy-to-understand and practical strategies have been shown to help families in all types of situations.

December 8, 2022 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

We welcome parents, guardians, caregivers and community members to attend this virtual session!

Register Today!

This session will focus on how to ensure a safe and engaging environment for children with strategies to:

- how parents may get “trapped” in escalations and power struggles;
- why parents experience “defiance and non-compliance” when they ask or request their children to do something;
- understanding various traps ways to avoid these traps and develop age appropriate and do-able strategies; and
- how parents can have a successful, stress free winter break.

Facilitator: Uma Bhatt, R.S.W. York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families



This free parent presentation is brought to you in a collaborative partnership with York Region District School Board and York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families.

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WINTER CONCERT

DEC. 14

6:30 - 7:30
AT THE GYM

GROUPS THAT ARE PLAYING:

- PRIMARY CHOIR
 - GRADE 1-3 RECORDER GROUP
 - GRADE 4-8 CHOIR
 - GRADE 6-8 BAND
 - SOLOISTS
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ROUGE PARK



RAPTORS

JOIN THE FUN!

