



REVIEW



February 10, 2023

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

Our celebration of Black History Month and Black Excellence has been incredible this week. We have staff and students working together to educate and celebrate Black Excellence. Please see the many photos included below. Our hallways and classrooms are full of rich history, culture and Black Excellence!

Together with our School Council and our neighbouring schools, we have booked Dr. ABC for a virtual parent presentation on March 30th. You can register for the event [here](#) or by clicking on the register button on the flier shared below. Dr. ABC is incredibly engaging and we encourage everyone who can to attend.

As always, reach out if you need us for anything. We are here to help.

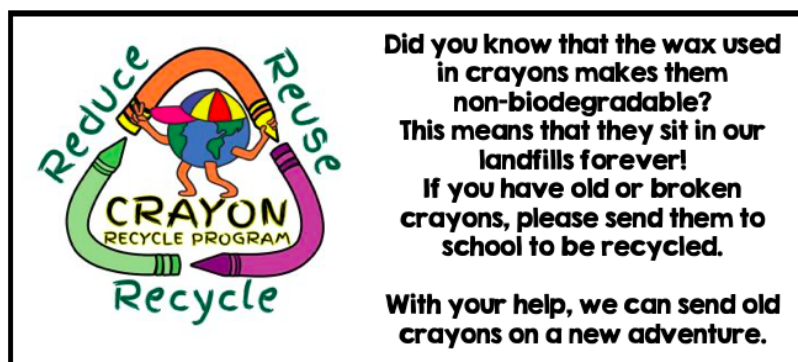
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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Feb. 6	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermediate boys basketball @ 9:50 • SPACE meeting @ 9:50 • Markham Fire Department Fire Safety Visit between recess and lunch • Primary Waste Inspector Club @ 12:00 • Intermediate Girls Basketball @ 12:20 • Junior/Intermediate Choir @ 12:20 • Intermediate Girls Basketball game vs JRPS @ 3:00 • After school math tutoring with Ms. Russell
Feb. 7	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermediate boys basketball @ 9:50 • Primary games club @ 12:00 • Primary choir/recorder group @ 12:20 • Intermediate Girls Basketball @ 2:45

Feb. 8	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snack Shack • Intermediate band @ 12:20 • Intermediate Girls Basketball @ 2:45 • After school math tutoring with Ms. Russell
Feb. 9	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 6-8 TED Ed Club @ 12:00 • Primary Coding Robotics Club @ 12:00 • Junior Band Rehearsal @ 12:20 • Grade 4-5 After School Tutoring with Mr. Gourley • Intermediate Girls Basketball at Armadale @ 3:15
Feb. 10	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everything But Your Backpack Spirit Day • GSA meeting @ 9:50 • Forest of Reading Club (gr. 3-8) @ 12:15 • Junior division meeting • Pop Band Rehearsal/ Percussion Group @ 12:20
<p>Upcoming:</p> <p>Feb. 20 - Family Day</p> <p>Feb. 21 - Feb. 23 - First Term Reports Sent Home</p> <p>Feb. 22 - Pink Shirt Day</p> <p>March 3-9 - Book Fair at RPPS</p> <p>March 13-17 - March Break</p> <p>March 30 - Parent Virtual Presentation of Dr. ABC</p> <p>May 10- June 14- EQAO Test Dates</p> <p>May 15-17 - Grade 8 Trip</p> <p>June 27- Grade 8 Graduation</p>		



Pink Shirt Day is a globally recognized day in support of anti-bullying, upstanding behaviour and simple acts of kindness. On **February 22, 2023**, we are encouraged to practice kindness and wear pink to show that we do not tolerate any form of bullying and uphold these values throughout the year! We will all wear **pink** that day to show our commitment to being upstanders.

Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - February 2023

Please see the link below:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/node/3528>

We are fundraising with FlipGive and would love your support!

It's simple:

1. Download the FlipGive app from the Play Store or App Store
2. Create an account
3. Join the Rouge Park Raptors using this team code: 9P7Q9Z
4. Purchase gift cards to everyday vendors like Tim Hortons, Wal-Mart, GAP, Swiss Chalet, etc and earn up to 10% cash back for the school!

Gift cards can be stored in the app, emailed to yourself or a friend, or transferred to your Apple Wallet.

Join the Rouge Park Raptors now and earn a bonus \$5 for the school the first time you shop!



Northern Karate

We are pleased to welcome back Northern Karate who will be offering classes on Thursdays at lunch beginning in March. Please see the flyer below.

Anything But A Backpack Day

We continue to promote student voice at RPPS. We want our students to know that they have a say in what happens at school. One of our grade 3 students wrote a letter to administration requesting an "Anything But A Backpack Day". This involves students being creative and thinking of something different than a backpack to carry their 'stuff' to school in. Our first ever, "Anything But A Backpack Day" will take place next Friday, February 17th. Thanks for the idea, Jack!



Battery Blitz Contest:

This April, in honour of Earth Day, Earth Rangers and Call2Recycle are partnering on a program where elementary schools in Ontario will compete for who can collect the most used batteries and for the chance to win 1 of 7 amazing cash prizes. Their School Mission is to collect as many used batteries by encouraging students, parents, staff, and community members to bring them to school and dispose of them in the Call2Recycle collection boxes. The challenge will kick off the week of April 3 when we will start collecting used batteries. There are seven amazing Cash Grand Prizes available for the 7 schools that bring in the most batteries!

The top 7 schools will win cash prizes (\$5000 for first, \$2500 for second, and 5 cash prizes of \$500 for third place winners). Every school that collects 750 kg worth of batteries will receive a \$250.00 Visa gift card. **Please send in your used batteries beginning on April 4th!**

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.

Kindergarten Registration:

Kindergarten Registration for September 2022 will begin on Friday, January 20th. 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 on or after January 20, 2022:

Families can register using the following options:

- Online - Families can access the online Kindergarten registration information at 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](http://www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten) at 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.

School Council

Our next meeting is scheduled for April 4 from 6:30-7:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for this face to face meeting at Rouge Park.

Scroll Down for Pictures

Celebrating Black Excellence and Our Identities



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Include information on birthdate and place, family information, influences, education and interests.

ALL ABOUT ME!

Barack Hussein Obama II was the first African American president in the United States. He was born on August 14th 1961 in Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S. He is currently 48 years old. Barack Obama went to Occidental College for 2 years and then transferred to Columbia University. Later, in 1991, he went to Harvard Law School. He was also the 44th president of the U.S. His parents were Barack Obama Sr. and Ann Dunham, and he has 4 siblings: Barack Obama also has 2 children, Ava Obama and Sasha Obama.



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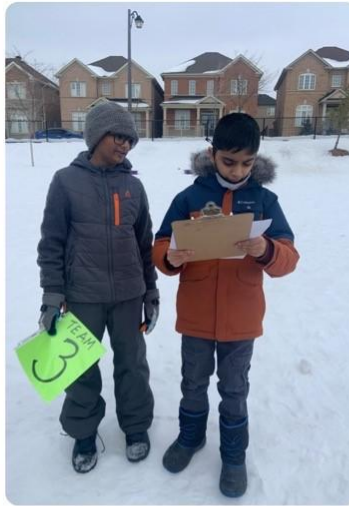
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Harriet Tubman was an enslaved woman who became a "conductor" on the underground Railroad. Leading enslaved people to freedom before the Civil War, all while carrying a bounty on her head. But she was also a nurse, a Union spy and a women's suffrage supporter. She died on March 10, 1913. Tubman's exact birth date is unknown, but estimates place it between 1820 and 1830 in Dorchester county, Maryland. She had 4 siblings. Her real name is Araminta Ross.



Primary Play Day!



PIC-COLLAGES

School Council's Family Engagement Evening

Rouge Park P.S

Cornell Village P.S

Black Walnut P.S

Sam Chapman P.S

Greensborough P.S

Join us Virtually on March 30th, 2023

at 6:30 pm

with

Dr. Andrew Campbell

(DR. ABC)

Equity Begins at Home



**REGISTER
HERE**

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Northern
KARATE
Rouge Park P.S.



We're Coming To Your School!

Thursdays @ 12:20pm

- Mar 23
- Mar 30
- Apr 6
- Apr 13
- Apr 20
- Apr 27

Graduation Ceremony:
Saturday, April 29th @ 3pm
At Northern Karate Markham

Make-up classes are
available at our Northern
Karate Markham dojo.



Cost:

\$59^{+tax}

ALL profits get
donated back to your
school!

OPEN TO GRADES 1-6

Register Online Today!

www.nksmarkham.com/lunch

Northern Karate Markham

1405 Denison Street in Markham

905-475-0044



Dear Parents and Families:

Get Ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them to become Bolder, Prouder, and Stronger Readers. AND—as always—every book they buy earns Rewards for our school.

Here's what you need to know about the Fair, which will take place from March 3-9 in our Multipurpose Room:

If you can't make it to the Fair, then **shop at our school's Virtual Book Fair**. All orders ship directly to our school and we will arrange for a pickup time when they arrive. Your online orders will also benefit our school.

Visit our Virtual Book Fair homepage to watch some trailers and look through our digital flyer: <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5195880>

The countdown to more Bookjoy is on! Catch you at the Fair!

Happy reading,

Lindsey Maclean
Principal
Rouge Park Public School

