



REVIEW



February 3, 2023

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

With the beginning of February, we celebrate a focus on Black History Month and Black Excellence. We have a beautiful display in our front entrance that we encourage you to look at if you are visiting the school. As a staff, we continue to engage in learning about the importance of creating identity affirming spaces for all of our students; spaces where they truly feel themselves reflected in the learning. On February 1st we had two interactive presentations with Dr. Andrew Campbell (Dr. ABC). Dr. Campbell spoke of the importance of being a champion for ourselves and others. Dr. ABC spoke to students about ways to put our identity, inclusion and anti-racism learning into action. He provided students with the tools they need to erase racism and hate in schools along with guidance on how to be an ally and a true friend. Staff and student feedback during and after the assemblies was incredibly powerful and heartwarming. We heard comments such as:

"In twenty years of teaching, that was the best presentation I have ever heard." (staff)

"I haven't been feeling good about myself. You reminded me that I am beautiful and I needed to hear that." (grade 5)

"I just need to tell you that your speech changed my entire life." (grade 3)

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"> • Grade 1-3 Winter Play Day (Weather Dependent) • Intermediate boys basketball @ 9:50 • Primary Waste Inspector Club @ 12:00 • SPACE meeting @ 12:20 • Junior/Intermediate Choir @ 12:20 • After school math tutoring with Ms. Russell
Feb. 7	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kindergarten Winter Play Day (Weather Dependent) • Intermediate boys basketball @ 9:50 • Primary games club @ 12:00 • Primary choir/recorder group @ 12:20 • School Council Meeting @ 6:30 in the staffroom
Feb. 8	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snack Shack • Primary Coding Robotics Club @ lunch • Intermediate band @ 12:20 • Intermediate Girls Basketball Tournament 3-8pm • After school math tutoring with Ms. Russell
Feb. 9	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza Day • Grade 6-8 TED Ed Club @ 12:00 • Junior Band Rehearsal @ 12:20 • Intermediate Girls Basketball @ 2:45 • Grade 4-5 After School Tutoring with Mr. Gourley
Feb. 10	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSA meeting @ 9:50 • Forest of Reading Club (gr. 3-8) @ 12:15 • Pop Band Rehearsal/ Percussion Group @ 12:20
<p>Upcoming: Feb. 20 - Family Day Feb. 21 - Feb. 23 - First Term Reports Sent Home Feb. 22 - Pink Shirt Day March 13-17 - March Break May 10- June 14- EQAO Test Dates May 15-17 - Grade 8 Trip June 27- Grade 8 Graduation</p>		



Did you know that the wax used in crayons makes them non-biodegradable? This means that they sit in our landfills forever! If you have old or broken crayons, please send them to school to be recycled.

With your help, we can send old crayons on a new adventure.



FlipGive

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!

Primary Winter Play Day

The K-3 teachers at Rouge Park are watching the forecast carefully, waiting for a good snowy day to run our first Primary Winter Play Day! Hopefully, during the week of February 6th, our grade 1-3 students will participate in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, on multi-grade teams, to have some active fun and make some special memories. Our Kindergarten students will also participate, but on their own day (hopefully during the same week), to ensure there is enough snow for all! Like any winter day, students will need to be bundled up with gloves, hats, scarves, snowpants, boots, and winter coats to help make the seasonal experience enjoyable for everyone. Students will get to sip on some delicious hot chocolate as well! **Any parent who does not want their child receiving hot chocolate, please send a written letter or email to your child's teacher to inform her of this preference.**

Grade 8 Save the Dates!

Our grade 8 team has been busy planning for graduation events for 2023! If you are a parent of a grade 8 student, please save the following dates:

Feb. 1 @ 6:00 pm - information session for the grade 8 trip

May 15-17 - trip to Camp Pine Crest

June 27 - Graduation @ Rouge Park!

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.

Junior Volleyball

We are so proud of our junior volleyball teams who have completed their seasons with great success both on and off the courts.

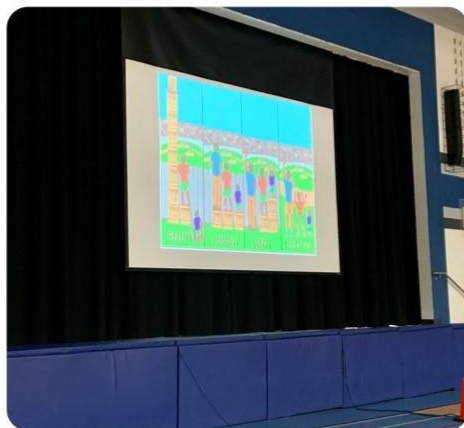


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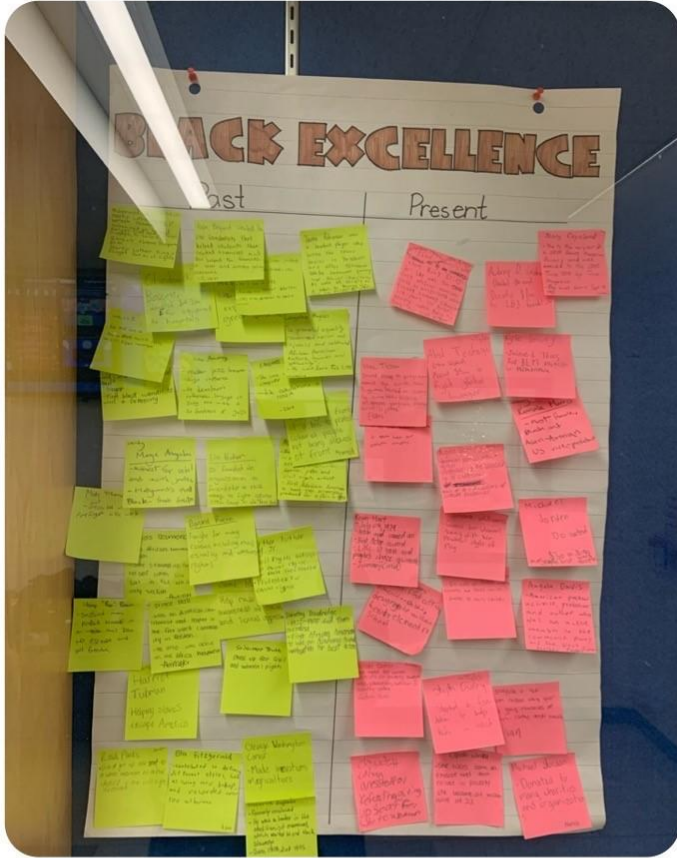
Our next meeting is scheduled for February 7 from 6:30-7:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for this face to face meeting at Rouge Park.

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Dr. ABC Visits Rouge Park



Celebrating Black Excellence and Our Identity





DR.ABC @DRABC14 · 1d



I never get tired of seeing the amazing little things happening in schools that are actually a MAJOR part of creating healthy school culture and climate - one where students honestly feel a sense of belonging.

Hats of Rouge Park P.S (YRDSB)



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
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