

# REVIEW



June 16, 2023

## **Message From Administration**

Hello Rouge Park Families,

This week we had the privilege of recognizing three of our grade 8 students with a YRDSB "Uukkamathu Kaividale" Award of Excellence. The purpose of these awards is to recognize, support and promote the success of Tamil students within the York Region District School board. Uukkamathu Kaividale means to persevere and strive to reach one's full potential. Congratulations to Ashnika Lavakumaran, Thivya Nanthakumar and Jivitha Manmathan for winning this prestigious award.







This week we also finished our grade 4-8 school track and field event and subsequently sent approximately 65 students to the Area track and field competition at Bill Crothers on Thursday. Our intermediate soccer team competed in their area meet as well and enjoyed a fun day! We are so proud of the way our students represented Rouge Park and of the success they experienced (see some pictures below). And our new Rouge Park tents were beautiful and helpful!



It is hard to believe we are entering our final two weeks of school. We continue to be so grateful for this incredible community that we are so privileged to serve.

If you have questions, comments or concerns, please reach out by email or by phone.

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#### **Upcoming Events:**

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
June 19	3	<ul> <li>Regional Track and Field Meet</li> <li>Junior/Intermediate Gr 4-8 Choir Rehearsal @ 12:20</li> <li>Hand and Tools and Building Club @ 2:45</li> </ul>
June 20	4	<ul> <li>Regional Track and Field Rain Date</li> <li>Primary Play Day</li> <li>Primary Choir (Gr 1-3)/Recorder Group (Gr 1-3) @ 12:20</li> </ul>
June 21	5	<ul> <li>Girls Volleyball Club (Gr. 4 to 8) @ 7:10</li> <li>Snack Shack</li> <li>Beading Club @ morning recess</li> <li>Intermediate Band Gr 7-8 Rehearsal @ 12:20</li> <li>Junior Robotics Club @ 12:20</li> <li>Cooking Club Grades 4-5 @ 2:45</li> </ul>
June 22	1	<ul> <li>Kindergarten DJ Dance</li> <li>Staff Appreciation @ morning recess</li> <li>Grade 2,3,4 Craft Club @ a.m. recess</li> <li>Junior Band Rehearsal @ 12:00</li> <li>Intermediate Basketball @ 2:45</li> </ul>
June 23	2	<ul> <li>GSA Meeting @ 9:50</li> <li>Pop Band Rehearsal/ Percussion Group (Gr 5-8) @ 12:20</li> </ul>

#### Upcoming:

June 26 (week of) - Copy of term 2 report card emailed home

June 26 - Fire Drill 8:15 am

June 27 - Grade 8 Grad

June 28 - Hard copy of report cards sent home

June 30 - Early Release Day (11:10)

#### Supporting Behaviour/Discipline at RPPS

In the last two weeks, we have had to investigate many behaviour "mess ups" at school (it is the month of June!). When we hear that there has been an incident at school or beyond, we always speak to everyone involved so that they know their voice is important and that we will listen and help, even if they are the one who made the mistake. We want our students to know that the office is

a friendly place and even if we are disappointed in their words or actions, we are here to help, educate and support each person so that they know how to avoid the same mistake in the future. We try to always inform parents when these conversations occur and any corresponding consequences. We know that it can be uncomfortable to receive a call from the principal or vice-principal but we want you to know that it is always from a place of support. Kids are supposed to mess up along the way; it's how they learn and how they grow and mature. Your home support with follow-up conversations and encouragement to take responsibility for their own actions is so appreciated. We always say, "If you mess up, fess up." Telling the truth is hard but it is important for kids to learn how to take accountability for their words and actions and to be able to come up with a plan to do better next time. That said, we also empower students to speak up if they didn't do something or if they feel wrongly accused, knowing that there are adults in the building who will listen and help. It's a balancing act as a parent and as an educator! If you're ever concerned about something, please reach out and we will be here to help.

#### 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. If you have moved out of the area and hope to stay here, a transfer application must be completed.

#### **Library Books**

Please remind your child to return their library books to the library as soon as possible. We are hoping to have all books returned so that others can enjoy them next year. Library bags do not need to be returned, just the books.

#### **Every Student Counts Survey**

The Every Student Counts Survey was scheduled to close on Friday, May 19, 2023. In order to ensure families have enough time to complete the survey, we are extending the deadline for the Kindergarten - Grade 3 survey until June 23, 2023.

During the week of June 5, families of students in Kindergarten - Grade 3 receive another invitation letter to complete the survey. If you have already completed the survey, or do not wish to complete the survey, please disregard the invitation letter.

#### Early Release Day - June 30th

All schools in the York Region District School Board are committed to improving student achievement and well-being. On Friday, June 30, 2023, an early release day will take place to allow elementary teachers and support staff to take part in meetings during the afternoon of that day. These meetings will allow for school staff to engage in culminating activities regarding the review and revision of the School's Improvement Plan as well as year-end and transition activities that support student success.

As has been our practice in the past, students will attend school during the morning of Friday, June 30, 2023 only. Students will be dismissed early that day at 11:10 a.m.. Arrangements will be made to

ensure that students who are normally bused to and from school will receive transportation at this time. Parents/guardians whose children attend after school child care should make appropriate arrangements to address this change in schedule.

### 2023-24 School Year Calendar has been Officially Approved

Please visit this <u>LINK</u> to view the calendar.

#### Our New Pride Month Display



# Flyers for This Week

- Dr. Stevenson Flyer Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools
- Anti Racism 101 Flyer.pdf
- Parenting Strategies for a Successful Summer Break.pdf
- The Centre for Black Excellence Newsletter-June 2023.pdf

# Area Meet for Track and Field and Intermediate Soccer

















