



REVIEW



June 2, 2023

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

This week, we were treated to the amazing talents of some grade 6-8 students at the first Rouge park Ted Ed event. We were so impressed with the student voice that was evident in each presentation. A special thank you to Mr. Gourley and Ms. Maggiras for the work they did to help students prepare for this event.



We saw many of our students bike or scooter to school this week for our **“Bike to School Week”**. Thank-you to Ms. Canning for coordinating this Healthy Schools initiative. We have been noticing many more students walking to school as well. As Rouge Park is a walking community, it is great to see so many students walking to school each day. Walking to school benefits your mental and physical health.



On Monday we have our grade 4-8 track and field day at Cornell Community Park. Our students will be walking to and from the park for both the morning and the afternoon. Please ensure your child comes prepared with running shoes, clothes to compete in, a hat and sunscreen. We will be using the park rather than our own field so that we have access to sand pits, a large enough space for running events and a ball diamond for our throwing events.

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

Have a wonderful weekend!

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
June 5	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 4-8 Track and Field Day • Hand and Tools and Building Club @ 2:45 • Open Volleyball Gr 4-6 @ 2:45

June 6	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 3 EQAO • Grade 8 Field Trip to Georgian College • Concert rehearsal - gym closed all day • Fire Drill 2:15 • Primary choir/recorder group @ 12:20
June 7	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 3 EQAO • Girls Volleyball Club @ 7:10 • Snack Shack - pavement only schedule at first recess • Beading Club @ morning recess • Intermediate band @ 12:20 • Spring Concert Dress Rehearsal @ 1:00 • Spring Concert Evening Performance @ 6:00 pm
June 8	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grade 3 EQAO • Track and field 800 & 1500m • Grade 2,3,4 Craft Club @ a.m. recess • Junior Band Rehearsal @ 12:00 • Cooking Club Grades 4-5 @ 2:45
June 9	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermediate Soccer Team Area Tournament • GSA Meeting @ 9:50 • Pop Band Rehearsal/ Percussion Group (Gr 5-8) @ 12:20
<p>Upcoming:</p> <p>June 12 - Area Track and Field Meet</p> <p>June 16 - Regional Track and Field Meet</p> <p>June 16 - Fire Dept. Visit all students</p> <p>June 17 - York Pride Parade (Newmarket)</p> <p>June 26 (week of) - T2 Reports sent home</p> <p>June 27 - Grade 8 Grad</p>		



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.

Staff Awards

Congratulations to our caretaking team and Claire Szatmari (teacher of our primary community class) for winning Outstanding Service Awards for the YRDSB. They were honoured last night!



A Visit From Mayor Scarpitti

On Wednesday, Mayor Frank Scarpitti had a virtual meeting with our two grade 5 classes. This meeting was made possible by the initiative of Sonia, a grade 5 student who reached out to the Mayor to ask if he could speak to her class about Government (a grade 5 unit) and his role as Mayor. The mayor visited the class for 45 minutes and shared a slidedeck about the various levels of government and then allowed for a question and answer period. Well done, Sonia, for showing fantastic leadership and initiative skills!



Spring Concert

Rouge Park is excited to offer a spring concert on June 7th. There will be a dress rehearsal in the afternoon (1:00-3:00) for grades 1-8 followed by an evening performance beginning at 6:00 pm. There are many performances and therefore we are cognizant of the number of people we can fit safely in our gym. Tickets can be purchased for \$2 each on School Cash Online. We are limiting tickets to 4 per family and tickets will not be sold at the door. Please ask your child if they are performing in one of the groups listed below before purchasing tickets - you do not need to purchase tickets for performing students. There will be an intermission so some families may choose to come for either the first half or the second half, depending on when their child will be on stage! Hot and cold drinks along with some snacks will be sold by our School Council.

Here is the lineup for the evening:

1. Primary Recorder Group
2. Soloists
3. Dance Group
4. Primary Choir
5. Junior/Intermediate Choir
6. Ms. Ibrahim/Winter class poem
7. Strings Group

Intermission - approximately 6:45 - 6:55 p.m.

6. Ms. Ferrari's Class
7. Pop Band
8. Ms. Sheriff Student Skit
9. Soloists

10. Grade 4-5 Band
11. Woodwind performance
12. Grade 6-8 Band

Class Placements and Our Tentative Organization

Over the summer and beginning in September, we will have a clearer picture of our registrations and transfers. As a result, students will find out their classroom teacher and room location at that time.

Tentative Organization September 2023 (as of June 2023)

Kindergarten - 5 classes

Community Classes - 2

Grade 1 - 3 classes

Grade 2 - 3 classes

Grade $\frac{2}{3}$ - 1 class

Grade 3 - 1 class

Grade $\frac{3}{4}$ - 2 classes

Grade 4 - 2 classes

Grade 5 - 2 classes

Grade 6 - 2 classes

Grade 6/7 - 1 class

Grade 7 - 2 classes

Grade 8 - 2 classes

School Council

Our final school council meeting of the year took place this past Tuesday evening. We want to express our gratitude to everyone who contributed to council this year. A special thanks to our executive members: Sarah Buck, Murtuza Rampurawala, Vincy Vuong, Mike Harrinandon, and Krysta Linton.

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 will 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.

York Region District School Board Seeks Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC) Members

Parents/guardians interested in serving as a member of PEAC are asked to submit an application by **June 14, 2023**. PEAC supports, encourages and enhances parent engagement at the Board level in order to improve student achievement and well-being. It represents the collective voice of parents who have children attending public schools in York Region. Members are expected to attend a minimum of five meetings each year. The first meeting date for the new membership is November 9, 2023, which is a joint meeting with our Equity and Inclusivity Advisory Committee (EIAC). **Interested parents/guardians are invited to submit an application using the [online application form](#).** For a copy of the application, please contact Leadership Development and Engagement via email at leadership.development.engagement@yrdsb.ca or by phone at 905-727-0022 ext. 3650. Interested applicants are invited to attend a virtual information session to learn more about this parent and community member engagement opportunity.

Date and Time: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Information: [Online virtual ITS Webinar Event meeting link](#)

Donations to Rouge Park

This year many of our students have benefited from the generous donations of others in our community. We have had families donate to pizza day, the snack program, school clothing, our grad trip and more. Oftentimes these donations are life-changing for our students as they allow them to fully participate in everything we have to offer. Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to our school. If you are able, we are currently asking for donations to support all of the above initiatives along with the purchase of picnic tables to be installed on our back tarmac. These picnic tables will be used for outdoor learning while also providing a space for students to sit and chat, play cards, or read during recess times. Donations can be made by clicking on the Donate button on School Cash Online or by sending a cheque made out to Rouge Park Public School.

2023-24 School Year Calendar has been Officially Approved

Please visit this [LINK](#) to view the calendar.

Sharing Our **Pride!**

Rouge Park Public School has come out with a GSA club, also known as the Gender and Sexual Identities Alliance. These student-led clubs help spread awareness about the LGBTQ+ community. Our GSA provides a safe space for students who are a part of the LGBTQ+ community, those who are learning about themselves and others, and those who are allies for the community and allows them to connect with others who share an interest in these issues. Homophobia and transphobia harassment are common in schools and among teenagers. GSA helps build a safe space for those who are a part of the community, or for those who'd like to learn more about the LGBTQ+ community. This club has students create hands-on activities to spread awareness and make Rouge Park PS a more welcoming and inclusive place.



Summer Institute, Elementary Summer School (gr. 6,7,8) and Grade 8 Reach Ahead

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 Programs](#) webpage on www.yrdsb.ca. Registration is now open.

2023 Summer Learning Programs Available

During the month of July, YRDSB continues to offer credit and non-credit summer school program opportunities for elementary, secondary and adult students. **Registration is now open for the following programs:**

Elementary Credit and Non-Credit Programs:

Camp Black Brilliance (for Black Families entering JK or SK)

- Summer Institute (K-8)
- Elementary Summer School (Grades 6-8 non-credit reinforcement)
- Grade 8 Reach Ahead (credit)

Secondary Credit Programs:

- In-Person Learning
- Online Learning

Adult Learning Programs:

- Adult Literacy and Basic Skills
- English as a Second Language
- Citizenship Classes
- Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada

For more information about summer learning programs and registration please visit www.yrdsb.ca and follow us on Twitter @YRDSB.

The Come Up summer program 2023 – School Newsletter

The York Region District School Board is pleased to announce The Come Up summer program 2023. This program offers self-identifying Black students who are entering high school in September 2023 with an opportunity to earn their first credit. Black students entering grade 9 will earn the grade 10 Civics/Career compulsory credit. It also includes guest speakers, field trips, lunch (Mondays & Wednesdays) and swag. The program takes place Wednesday, July 5, 2023 - Friday, July 28, 2023 from 8:45am - 3:35pm. Attendance is mandatory for the full duration of the program. Each activity/workshop will use an identity affirming approach with emphasis on student engagement to build positive self-esteem for Black students embarking on a new journey. Students will earn/receive the following:

- Swag bags including t-shirts and resources;
- Free lunch (Mondays & Wednesdays); and
- First high school credit;

For more information and to register please see the [flyer](#).

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 > 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 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

 **Dr. Stevenson Flyer - Promoting Racial Literacy in Schools**



Proud to be serving lunch at
ROUGE PARK P.S.

Service Day: TUESDAY

YOUR SCHOOL MENU INCLUDES FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Entrees

Beef burger	\$6.00
Buttery Pasta	\$6.00
California Rolls (9 pcs) - soy sauce, ginger, wasabi packets	\$8.00
Chicken burger (H)	\$6.25
Chicken fingers with rice pilaf (GF) (H)	\$7.00
Grilled cheese sandwich on whole wheat bread	\$6.00
Grilled cheese & turkey sandwich	\$7.05
Macaroni & cheese	\$6.85
Meatballs with mashed potatoes & gravy (H)	\$7.25
Pasta with meat sauce (GF)	\$7.35
Pasta with tomato sauce (GF)	\$6.25
Teriyaki chicken with steamed basmati rice	\$7.25
Teriyaki tofu with steamed basmati rice	\$7.25
Vegetarian California Rolls (9 pcs) - soy sauce, ginger, wasabi packets	\$8.00
Veggie balls with mashed potatoes & gravy	\$7.75
Veggie burger	\$6.85
Veggie fingers with rice pilaf	\$7.75

Complete Meals

Chicken caesar wrap with fruit (H)	\$7.75
Chicken fried rice with fruit	\$7.75
Tofu fried rice with fruit	\$7.75
Tuna salad sandwich with fruit	\$7.75
Pancakes (2pcs) with turkey sausage, syrup & applesauce	\$7.75

Snacks & Desserts

Banana muffin (SFTE)	\$1.95
Carrot muffin (gluten-friendly) (SFTE)	\$1.95
Chocolate chip cookie (SFTE)	\$1.50
Diced fruit	\$2.50
Fruit of the day	\$1.75
Fudgy Brownie (SFTE)	\$1.65
Popcorn	\$2.15
Superfood granola bar (SFTE)	\$1.75
Yogurt cup	\$1.75

Side Items

Baked potato with sour cream	\$2.35
Chicken fingers only (2pcs) (GF) (H)	\$4.55
Corn niblets	\$1.75
Cucumber slices	\$1.65
Edamame (cold, shelled)	\$2.35
Garden salad with italian dressing	\$3.35
Garlic bread	\$1.75
Pancakes (2pcs) with syrup	\$4.55
Perogies (4pcs) with sour cream	\$4.55
Steamed Rice	\$2.35
Veggie fingers only (2pcs)	\$4.85
Veggies & dip (ranch)	\$2.75

Drinks

2% Milk	\$1.75
Chocolate Milk	\$2.00
Various fruit juices (100% juice)	\$1.75

Apple juice; Apple grape; Fruit punch; Strawberry banana orange

Condiments

Butter	\$0.35
Cheddar Cheese slice	\$0.75
Extra Syrup	\$0.35
Mayonnaise	\$0.55
Parmesan cheese	\$0.55
Pickles	\$0.35
Plum sauce	\$0.35
Ketchup, Relish, Mustard	Comp.

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Rice pilaf = with peas & carrots

(GF) Gluten-friendly also available. See prices online.

(H) Halal options also available. See prices online.

(SFTE) Sweets from the Earth Premium Baked Good.

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Due to challenges with food supply, substitutions may be made at our discretion.

Visit our website at www.kidskitchen.ca for more menu options.

Ordering is easy! Online orders must be entered by 10am the previous business day.

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JUNE SPECIALS

We are wrapping up the school year with a special treat.
Our year-end specials include a gluten-free
chocolate pudding!



BBQ Chicken Drumsticks with
Mashed Potatoes and Corn Nibbets



Cheese Tortellini in Tomato Sauce

Also available in June: Beef or Bean Soft Taco
(can be ordered as an entrée only or as a combo with a fruit)

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PARENTING STRATEGIES FOR A SUCCESSFUL SUMMER 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.

June 13, 2023 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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

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;
- 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 summer break

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



Register Today!

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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