

REVIEW



# March 31, 2023 Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

What an awesome community we have at RPPS. Our students ... your kids ... make us smile every day. Watching them grow in independence and develop resiliency and leadership skills is really amazing. As administrators we also have the privilege of walking through every classroom almost every day which allows us to see relationships grow between students and between staff and students. We strive to make our school a place where students can feel safe, happy and supported and we are so thankful to our staff who are working hard each day to make this a reality. While we absolutely love hearing your happy stories, we also want to hear if something isn't going well for your child. When we know about things, we are better able to help.

Spring has arrived and with it comes one of the busiest times of the school year. You can see in the calendar below that there are many extra-curricular activities available for students to participate in. We also have trips, school concerts, standardized tests, spirit days etc. planned for the coming months. If your child has an idea for something fun to do at school, please encourage them to share this idea with their teacher and/or with us in the office. We love to promote leadership from students!

We hope you all enjoy the information and pictures below and that you are able to have a relaxing weekend with friends and family.

Please 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?
April 3	2	<ul> <li>Battery Blitz contest begins</li> <li>Junior Boys Basketball @ 9:50</li> <li>Junior/Intermediate Choir @ 12:20</li> <li>Junior Girls Basketball @ 12:20</li> <li>After school volleyball club is canceled due to repair work at RPPS</li> <li>Hand Tools and Building Club @ 2:45</li> </ul>

April 4	3	<ul> <li>Junior Boys Basketball @ 9:50</li> <li>Grade 7&amp;8 Chess Club @ 12:00</li> <li>Primary choir/recorder group @ 12:20</li> <li>School Council Meeting @ Rouge Park 6:30-7:30</li> </ul>
April 5	4	<ul> <li>Girls volleyball club @ 7:10</li> <li>Earth Rangers Jr/Int Assembly @ 10:30</li> <li>Snack Shack</li> <li>Grade 3&amp;4 Chess Club @ 12:00</li> <li>Beading club @ morning recess</li> <li>Intermediate band @ 12:20</li> <li>Earth Rangers Primary Assembly @ 1:10</li> <li>Junior Girls Basketball Tournament @ David Suzuki @ 3:45</li> </ul>
April 6	5	<ul> <li>COED Badminton Club @ 7:10</li> <li>Junior Boys Basketball @ 9:50</li> <li>Karate @ 12:20 in the gym</li> <li>Junior Band Rehearsal @ 12:00</li> <li>Grade 4-5 After School Tutoring with Mr. Gourley</li> </ul>
April 7	0	Good Friday - No school
May 4 - Gro	ade 7/8 Im ne 14- EQA - Grade 8	

# Ramadan

Ramadan Mubarak to those who celebrate. Ramadan began March 22nd. Room 214 is available during recess and lunch as a space for Muslim students who would like a place to gather and celebrate, away from food sources.

# Important Reminders Re: Drop off and Pick up:

Please remember to drive slowly in and around the school area when dropping off and picking up your children. Our kiss'n ride is a slow zone and cars should be traveling in a single line without passing or overtaking others. We are reminding all kindergarten families to either use the kiss'n ride or park on the street and walk your child to their gate. The loop at the front of the school is for our school buses and vans only. Kindergarten parents should also be dropping their children at the gate, not the classroom door. Thank you for working with us to ensure a safe school environment and one in which we build independence in our students.

# Lunch Assistants Needed

We are always looking for School Assistants to help supervise during lunch hours. These are **paid positions.** We welcome parents and community members to apply and join the Rouge Park team. If you are interested in this role, please contact our school office.

#### Webinar for Parents and Guardians of Elementary-School Students

Register for this webinar and learn about EQAO assessment results and Ontario's large-scale assessment program at the elementary-school level. EQAO will review highlights from the 2021–2022 assessment results. The session will also highlight how the primary-division (Grade 3) and junior-division (Grade 6) assessments have been modernized. The presentation will be approximately 45 minutes and will be followed by a live Q & A session with EQAO staff. Registration: www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507

#### Parent Engagement Evening

Last night we had the privilege of joining 5 other schools to hear Dr. Andrew Campbell speak to "Equity Begins at Home". If you were unable to attend the presentation, you can view the taped version on youtube:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P7kLOopuO0E&t=178s



EQUITY BEGINS AT HOME

COMMUNITY TALK Prepared and presented by Dr. Andrew B. Campbell (DR. ABC)March 29, 2023

www.youtube.com

#### 2023-24 School Year Calendar

The proposed YRDSB 2023-2024 school year calendars have been sent to the Ministry for review and approval. These calendars may be accessed on the YRDSB website at:

<u>https://www2.yrdsb.ca/school-year-calendar</u> Please note: Calendars are not official until they receive formal Ministry approval which is expected in late May 2023.

#### Battery Blitz Contest:

Please send in your used batteries beginning on April 4th to help our environment and to help our school win big prizes!

# 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.

#### **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.

#### Summer Institute

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 <u>Summer Institute</u> webpage on <u>www.yrdsb.ca</u>. Registration opens March 29, 2023 at 4:00pm. Families can register online.

#### 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 <u>www.yrdsb.ca/kindergarten</u> > 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 <u>Elementary School Registration Form</u> at <u>www.yrdsb.ca/Kindergarten</u> 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

TripleP\_Parenting\_Sessions.pdf

**Please Scroll Down for Pictures** 

# Favourite Character Day



















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# Amazing Art Displays Around Our School



