



REVIEW



May 19, 2023

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

This week our graduating class of grade 8's celebrated their year with a 3 day trip to Camp Pine Crest. The camp is located north of Gravenhurst, Ontario, which meant a 2.5 hour trip on a Coach Bus to the great outdoors. Staff and students stayed in cabins and participated in many outdoor activities including high ropes, archery, cooperative games, arts and crafts and fire building. It was so much fun to be away with such a special group of kids. Watching how they interacted with each other, with the counsellors and with our staff was truly heartwarming. They represented Rouge Park incredibly well and we are so proud of them. The staff at Camp Pine Crest kept commenting on how well-behaved and polite our students are and how energetic and engaged our staff is. I am one proud principal! A huge thanks to all of the staff who attended (Mr. Biesok, Ms. Rajkumar, Ms. Lazarevski, and Ms. Sheriff). They made the trip so special for our graduates. There are many photos of the trip at the bottom of this newsletter.



This week we saw two coyotes in the ravine beside the school. Please remind your children to never approach a coyote and to seek help if they encounter one on their way to or from school.

Monday is a holiday so we will see our students back at school on Tuesday morning. We wish you all a wonderful long weekend. As always, please reach out if we can answer any questions or support you in any way.

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
May 22	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Victoria Day - No school
May 23	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Primary choir/recorder group @ 12:20Grade 3/4 Cooking Club 2:45-3:45
May 24	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Girls Volleyball Club @ 7:10Snack Shack - pavement only schedule at first recessBeading Club @ morning recessIntermediate band @ 12:20
May 25	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Grade 2,3,4 Craft Club @ a.m. recessJunior Band Rehearsal @ 12:00TED Ed Club @ 12:15Intermediate Basketball @ 2:45Black Walnut 10th Anniversary Party
May 26	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dental Screening (Grades JK, SK, 2 & 8)GSA Meeting @ 9:50Pop Band Rehearsal/ Percussion Group (Gr 5-8) @ 12:20

Upcoming:

May 30 - Dental Screening (Grades JK, SK, 2 & 8)

May 30 - Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm

May 30 - June 1 - Grade 6 EQAO

June 1 - TED Ed community event @ 6pm

June 2 - PA Day

June 5 - School Track and Field Meet for gr. 4-8

June 6-8 - Grade 3 EQAO

June 7 - Spring Concert

June 9 - Soccer Area Tournament

June 12 - Area Track and Field Meet

June 16 - Regional Track and Field Meet

June 16 - Fire Dept. Visit all students

June 17 - York Pride Parade (Newmarket)

June 26 (week of) - T2 Reports sent home

June 27 - Grade 8 Grad

Yearbook

The last opportunity to order a yearbook is by midnight tonight (May 19th). Please ensure you place your order on School Cash Online if you would like a 2022/23 Rouge Park yearbook!

Bike to School Week 2023

May 29 to June 2, 2023, is the annual Bike to School Week. Students of all ages and abilities are encouraged to bike, scoot, skate and walk to and from school. Biking to school helps children fit in the recommended [60 minutes of physical activity per day](#), learn road and traffic safety skills and connect with others in the neighbourhood.

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.

May Mental Health Newsletter - YRDSB

May's Mental Health Newsletter for families and caregivers has a focus on "Children's Mental Health Awareness Week". Please share with your families. Newsletter translations available on https://www2.yrdsb.ca/student-support/mental-health_

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.

Asian Heritage Month

May is Asian Heritage Month in Canada, a time to reflect on and recognize the many contributions that people of Asian origin have made and continue to make to Canada. Asian Heritage Month has been celebrated since the 1990s.

Parent/Caregiver virtual workshop supporting students of the Tamil Diaspora - June 1, 2023 6:00 - 7:30

Parents and caregivers are invited to join this workshop to learn about supporting their children's academic, emotional and social well-being. The session will provide practical tips to create space for open conversations about mental health and well-being, ways to provide support and resources available through YRDSB and the York region community.

Register here on our [Google Form](#). Link to join will be provided via email following registration.

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 travelling 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.

We are also reminding all families that the parking lot at the back side of the school is reserved for daycare only. Please do not pull into this parking lot to drop your child off.

EQAO Dates for Grade 3 and 6 Students

We have now set our Grade 3 and 6 EQAO dates for this year. Grade 6 students will write this standardized test on May 30, June 1 and June 2. Grade 3 students will write on June 6,7, and 8th. Please speak with your child's teacher if you have questions about EQAO or visit the EQAO website at www.eqao.com

2023-24 School Year Calendar has been Officially Approved

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

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 May 30 from 6:30-7:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for this face to face meeting at Rouge Park.

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

 [Asian Heritage Month Event.pdf](#)

 [Supporting Children Flyer English.pdf](#)

 [Supporting Children Flyer Tamil.pdf](#)

 [Mental Health Newsletter June 2023.pdf](#)

 [NURTURING YOUR TEEN'S EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING](#)

Grade 8 Trip to Camp Pine Crest



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Please join us in celebrating



BLACK WALNUT P.S.

10th Anniversary!

Thursday, May 25th, 2023

5:00 - 6:30 pm

food trucks

guest speakers

musical performances

artwork

DJ performance

**All past & present staff,
students, and families
are welcome!**



*Please bring a picnic blanket or
lawn chair to enjoy the food and
performances on the lawn.*

Kid's Kitchen is very pleased to be returning & providing lunches at

ROUGE PARK P.S.
EVERY TUESDAY
STARTING TUESDAY, MAY 2ND

Ordering is EASY!

To set yourself up for the program, simply visit us online at www.kidskitchen.ca.

1. **Create an Account** > create a Parent Profile and add a credit card, email address and password is used to log into our site.
2. Then create a **Child Profile** and select "**Rouge Park Public School**" - as your child's "**SCHOOL**".
3. Next to your child's name, click on **Manage Orders**, then simply click on any day that you wish to order and select from the available menu.
 - Orders must be placed by 10am the previous business day (Friday for Monday orders).
 - A valid credit card is required for online ordering. We do not charge ahead of time. We invoice for lunches delivered during the week every Friday.

We look forward to serving the students at Rouge Park Public School!

Cancellations:

Cancellations are accepted on the delivery day by phone ONLY by 7 a.m.

A MINIMUM OF 25 ORDERS IS REQUIRED FOR A SUSTAINABLE LUNCH PROGRAM.

Leave the lunches to us.

905.944.0210 www.kidskitchen.ca information@kidskitchen.ca





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.

Prepared with care in our inspected, commercial nut-free facility.

We specialize in individually packaged Grab'n'Go service.

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.

Please contact us directly regarding any allergy questions or concerns.

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.

Call: 905-944-0210 Email: information@kidskitchen.ca

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