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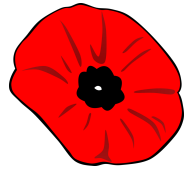
Nov. 17, 2023

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

It has been quite a week with the IT outage and resulting shutdown of email and board websites. We are hoping everything will be back up and running as soon as possible but for now, we will rely on communicating with you by posting things through Edsby. If you have tried emailing us and have not received a response, it is because we are still not receiving any mail that is external to our school.

Last Friday we had a very moving Remembrance Day assembly. It was very special to have the entire school together to commemorate and honour this important day. We hope that Remembrance Day, and the stories it evokes for each of us, will continue to encourage us to work towards a future where kindness prevails, where humanity triumphs over hatred, and where the sacrifices of the past inspire a legacy of enduring peace.



The November weather has arrived! Please remember to send your child to school with layers. They will enjoy the outdoors much more if they are dressed for the weather. We have had to remind students to leave their coats on when it is cold outside. This may be a good conversation to have at home (especially with our youngest students).

Last Thursday, one of our lunch assistants and some of our students created beautiful Rangoli Art on our front walkway in celebration of Diwali. Thank you to Tanbir Prabakaran for inspiring our students to share their culture with the wider community (see pictures below). We hope that our families who celebrate, enjoyed a very Happy Diwali.

School Spirit wear was sent home last week and is looking fantastic on all of our students. We will offer clothing again in the new year if you missed out on ordering this fall.

Thank you for all of your support and partnership! As always, reach out if you need us for anything. We are here to help.

Have a wonderful weekend,

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Nov. 20	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week ● Intermediate boys area volleyball tournament ● Dribbling club @ 9:50 a.m.
Nov. 21	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast Club from 7:30-7:50 in the multi-purpose room ● Kid's Kitchen for those who ordered ● Girl's basketball club for grades 5-8 @ 12:20 ● Primary choir and primary recorder club @ 12:20 ● Art club for grades 2-4 @ 12:20
Nov. 22	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Beading club @ 9:50 ● Snack shack at morning recess - \$2 per snack ● Junior/intermediate choir and intermediate band @ 12:20 ● Lunch Lady for those who ordered
Nov. 23	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Breakfast Club from 7:30-7:50 in the multipurpose room ● Pizza day for those who ordered ● MSA meeting @ lunch ● Pop band/Strings club (alternate each week) @ 12:20
Nov. 24	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Grade 7&8 Immunization Clinic ● Make sure you order pasta through school cash online by Nov. 26th if you would like your child to participate in this lunch program
<p>Upcoming:</p> <p>November 26 - Last day to order pasta from Boston Pizza using School Cash Online</p> <p>November 27 - December 1 - Grade 3 Gifted Screening (CCAT test)</p> <p>December 4 - Tour for Humanity Bus Grades 6-8</p> <p>December 23 - January 7 - Winter Break (School Closed)</p> <p>June 26 - Grade 8 Graduation</p>		

Safety at RPPS:

We have had community members reaching out to us. They are concerned about students crossing the street in the middle of the street (jay-walking). Please make sure you have a talk with your child about the importance of crossing at an intersection.

We are also seeing cars drive far too quickly into our kiss n ride in the morning. Please stay in the lane closest to the sidewalk and do not pass others. Safety is our top priority and patience will help ensure we keep everyone safe.

Pasta Lunch from Boston Beginning Mon., Dec. 4:

After receiving parent requests for more lunch options, we will be offering 4 different types of pasta from Boston Pizza. Our office had a taste test and we were very impressed with the quality of the

product. The first session will run from Dec. 4 to Jan. 29th. Please sign up on School Cash Online by November 26th. No late orders will be accepted.

Worth Repeating:

Breakfast Club Every Tuesday and Thursday:

Ms. Ajani and supporting staff members are now running a breakfast club **every Tuesday and Thursday morning**. It is off to a great start! There are both hot and cold options served between 7:30 and 7:50 in the morning. Students must arrive within this window of time so that they have time to eat prior to heading to class. The program runs out of our multipurpose room. You do not need to sign-up in order to access the breakfast. We will re-evaluate how we run the program after trying it out for a few weeks and seeing how many students attend. Please call or email if you have any questions or would like to donate to the program.

Clothing Donation/Swap

Once again, we will be collecting winter clothing in support of our own community. We would like to ask for any new or gently used items such as boots, snow pants, winter coats, hats and mittens. We will collect all donated items, sort them by size and then have them available in the front hallway on November 16th when we host parent/teacher interviews. All families will be welcome to access the clothing for their child(ren) regardless of whether they donated something. **Donate Clothing:** Now until Dec. 1st. **Pick up Clothing:** Any time in the front entrance (or you can email/phone lindsey.maclean@yrdsb.ca to let me know what you need for your child(ren).


Prayer Spaces

We have multiple spaces in the school available for students and staff who wish to pray during the day. Please let your child's teacher know if they need help finding and accessing a prayer room.

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.

Attachments for this week:

 Mental Health Newsletter November 2023.pdf

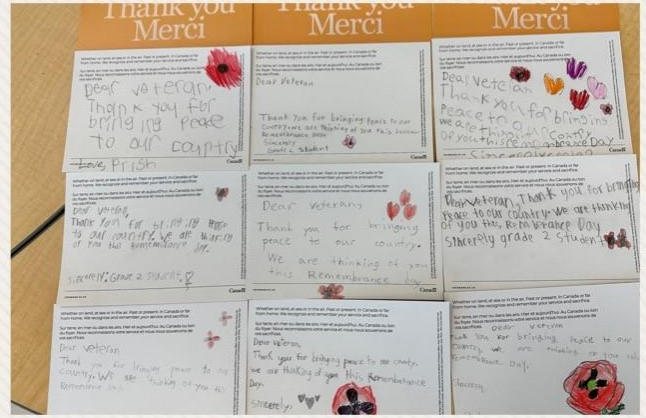
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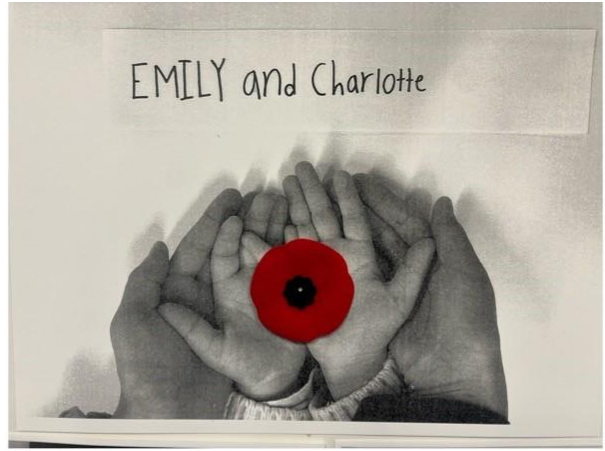
Breakfast Club



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Remembrance Day





Diwali



