



REVIEW



October 4, 2024

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

We had a very busy week at Rouge Park! It was incredible to see so many families out at the Meet Our Staff event. In spite of a tiny period of rain, it was a beautiful evening on the back tarmac with families eating and enjoying each other's company. Classrooms were packed as staff shared information about their programs and plans for the year. We heard so many expressions of gratitude from parents, students and staff. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported this event. A special thank you to our School Council who organized all of the food trucks; your partnership is so appreciated. Each food truck made a donation back to our school and we will be using this money to purchase more outdoor play equipment.

On Wednesday our whole school participated in the Terry Fox run. It was awesome to see staff and students running in support of such an important cause. We are still tallying the final amount raised and will share that with you in our next Review. If you have not yet donated, please feel free to send a toonie to school with your child, or visit <http://schools.terryfox.ca/RougeParkPSMarkham>

Wednesday was also National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day. We have the most incredible team of caretakers here at Rouge Park. They know our students and support them in so many ways every day. We are truly grateful for Jessica Dusome, Marife Camba, Tina Coghill, Brittney Jenkins and Patrick Capone. Saturday is World Teacher Appreciation Day. We will be recognizing all staff and caretaker contributions to our school on Monday.

The fall weather is now coming. Please be sure that your children come to school in layers and prepare for the change in weather that typically comes at this time of year.

As always, please reach out if you have any questions, concerns or comments. We care about your children and want to ensure we are here to help.

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Upcoming Events:

| Date | Day | What's Happening at School? |
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| Oct. 7 | 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Student Council FULL Meeting @ 9:50 am |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Int. girls volleyball practice @ 12:20 • Int. girls volleyball practice @ 2:45 |
| Oct. 8 | 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Int. boys volleyball @ 7 a.m. • Fire drill today • Community Council Meeting @ 10:05 • Kids Kitchen for those who ordered |
| Oct. 9 | 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Int. girls volleyball practice @7:15 am • Snack Shack at morning recess • Cross country practice @ 10:00 am • Lunch Lady for those who ordered • Int. boys volleyball @ 12:15 • Int. boys volleyball game vs. Robinson @ 2:45 |
| Oct. 10 | 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Area Cross Country Meet @ Milliken Mills Park • Int. boys volleyball at 7:00 am • Student council exec team meeting @ 9:50 • Saving Mother Earth Club @ 9:50 • Pizza day for those who ordered - cross country runners will get their pizza upon their return to school |
| Oct. 11 | 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mindful Walking Fridays • Int. girls volleyball practice @ 12:20 • Open volleyball (intermediate co-ed) @ 2:45 |

Mark your calendars:

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| <p><u>Upcoming Events:</u></p> <p>Oct. 14 - Thanksgiving Day - no school Oct. 15 - School Council Mtg @ 6:30 Oct. 22 - Breakfast Club begins Oct. 23 - Grade 7 Immunizations Nov 6 - Take Our Kids to Work Day Nov. 13 - Picture Retake Day Nov. 14 - Parent/Teacher Interviews Dec. 12, 13 - Grade 2 trip to Milne May 7-9 - Grade 8 Trip to Camp Pinecrest June 24 - Grade 8 Graduation</p> | <p><u>School Holidays</u></p> <p>Thanksgiving Day - Mon., Oct. 14 Winter Break - Dec. 23, 2024 to Jan. 3 Family Day - Mon., Feb. 17 Mid-Winter Break - March 10, to March 14 Good Friday - April 18 Easter Monday - April 21 Victoria Day - Mon. May 19</p> <p><u>P.A. Days</u></p> <p>Monday, October 21, 2024 Friday, November 15, 2024 Friday, January 17, 2025 Friday, January 31, 2025 Monday, June 9, 2025 Friday, June 27, 2025</p> |
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EQAO

The Ministry published last spring's EQAO results last week (www.eqao.com). While Rouge Park's results are very strong and we are proud of the results, we want to remind our community of some key messaging:

- EQAO assessment data provide one small source of information to support the improvement of student learning
- The Board does not support the use of results to rank or compare schools

The table shows the percentage of students in grade 3 and 6 who scored at or above the Provincial Standard (Level 3 and 4)

EQAO Results 2023-2024 Percentage of Students Achieving Level 3 and 4:

| Primary (grade 3) | Rouge Park | Board | Province | Junior (grade 6) | Rouge Park | Board | Province |
|----------------------|---------------|-------|----------|---------------------|---------------|-------|----------|
| Reading | 92 | 75 | 71 | Reading | 85 | 87 | 82 |
| Writing | 92 | 70 | 64 | Writing | 84 | 88 | 80 |
| Math | 87 | 71 | 61 | Math | 69 | 64 | 50 |

Breakfast Club:

We are happy to share that President's Choice Children's Charity has approved our proposal for their *Power Full Kids* program. This funding means we will be able to continue to provide nutritious snacks for students as well as start up our breakfast program again this fall. Starting Tuesday October 22, a light breakfast will be available in our multi-purpose room every Tuesday and Thursday between 7:30-7:55. This may include items such as cereal, yogurt, granola, fruit, milk, toast, and similar items. Family and community donations have helped run our nutrition programs at Rouge Park to ensure every student is full and ready to engage and learn at school. We thank you all for your ongoing support!

Community Council:

"Attention all students who would like to lend a hand to your community! The Community Council is starting up again for its third year, and this year we are also inviting Grade 6s to join us! To learn more about our Community Council, scroll down to see the poster and listen for announcements. If you want to hear about our first project of the year, join us in Portable 1 on Tuesday, October 8th and 10:05 am. Hope to see you there!"

Agendas:

If sending cash for your child(ren)'s **agenda**, please send the exact change. You may also pay through SchoolCash Online. The cost is \$8.00 for each agenda.

School Start-Up Forms:

Each year, we ask all parents/guardians to complete important forms. These forms are available online. [Please complete and submit these online School Start-Up Forms](#) through your child's YRDSB Google account.

Translations are available in:

- [Arabic - العربية](#)
- [Farsi - فارسی](#)
- [Gujarati - ગુજરાતી](#)
- [Hebrew - עברית](#)
- [Korean - 한국어](#)
- [Punjabi - ਪੰਜਾਬੀ](#)
- [Russian - Русский](#)
- [Simplified Chinese - 简体中文](#)
- [Tamil - தமிழ்](#)
- [Traditional Chinese - 繁體中文](#)
- [Turkish - Türk](#)
- [Urdu - اردو](#)
- [Vietnamese - Tiếng Việt](#)

International Walk to School Month:

International Walk to School Month (IWALK) is an annual celebration of active transportation that takes place around the world throughout the month of October. IWALK Month officially launches October 2, 2024.

When walking to school, here are some important safety tips to remember:

- Look all ways before you cross the street. Always STOP, LOOK and LISTEN before crossing.
- Cross at intersections and crosswalks, when possible.
- Always make eye contact with drivers before you cross the street.
- Obey traffic signals and signs.
- Use a sidewalk if there is one.

For anyone who can't walk or cycle to school every day, we encourage you to try choosing an active mode of travel two or three times a week or consider parking and walking a block to decrease the pollution and improve safety around your school.

Rouge Park student play leaders will be creating and making announcements to remind students of our school initiative "Mindful Walking Fridays". We encourage you to support this initiative by walking with your child(ren) to school on Fridays for the month of October.

October is a great month to spend time outdoors while the seasons change. Students will get the health benefits that time in nature provides, while also enjoying the beautiful autumn leaves. Any amount of physical activity is good for your health.

School Cash Online:

Rouge Park uses online payments through School Cash ONLINE for all school-related purchases:

School Cash Online provides the following benefits:

- A convenient fee payment option that saves time
- Reduces paper

- No more need to send cash or cheques to school
- A quick way to register. It takes less than 5 minutes to register.

Parents that opt to participate will receive notification via email of student fees owed (both required and optional), and can make secure online payments by credit card or Interac and receive a receipt.

To view a presentation about the program, go to <http://www.kevsoftware.com/movies/ParentRegEnglish/>.

Follow the easy steps at [this link](#) to register and get started!

School Council:

Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 15th from 6:30-7:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Health Forms:

Fillable Health Care forms are now available for families who have children with asthma, seizure disorders, anaphylaxis, diabetes, and/or other prevalent medical conditions. This also applies to children who require the administration of medication at school. These forms can be accessed through the links below and/or a paper copy can also be requested from your child's school office.

[Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)

[Asthma Health Care Plan](#)

[Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)

[Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder Health Care Plan](#)

[Self Administration of Medication Form](#)

[Staff Administration of Medication Form](#)

Once you've completed the appropriate Health Care Plan, please return it WITH the appropriate medication to school with your child. The form and medication can be placed in a sealable bag, with the student name marked on the bag and left at the office.

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. 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.

Please scroll down for flyers and pictures

GRADES 4-6

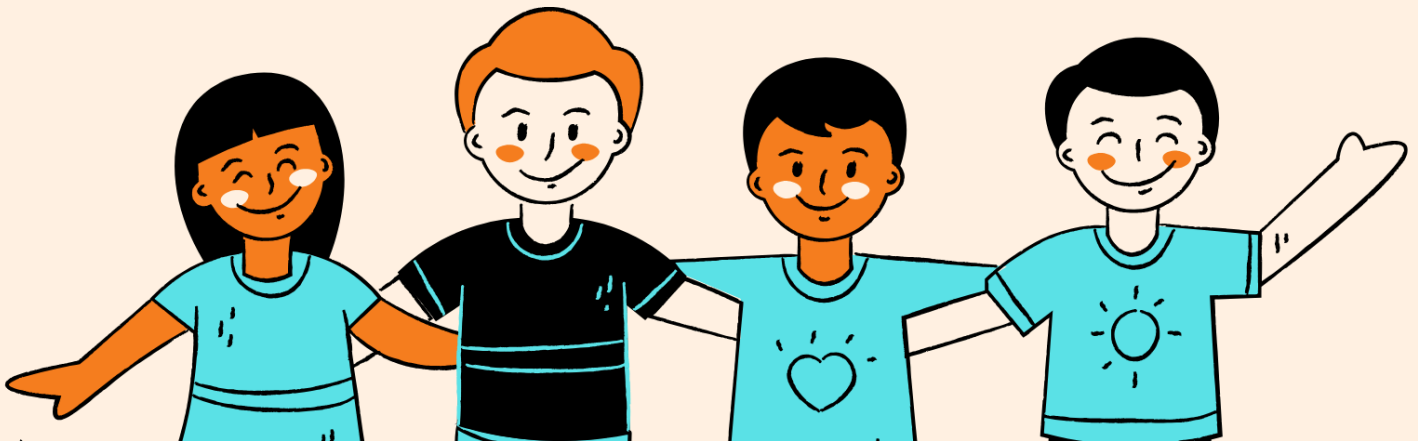
Community Council

TUESDAY, OCTOBER, 8TH
(MORNING RECESS) PORTABLE

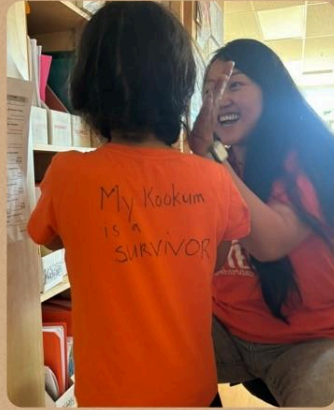
"The Community Council is a great space to make new friends and share ideas about how we can make our school even better. It's a great way to get involved and help make a difference at our school!"

You Can:

- Make new friends
- Help build a stronger school community
- Help contribute to our global community
- Fundraise for different charities
- Raise awareness for global issues



Truth and Reconciliation/Orange Shirt Day



Meet Our Staff Event



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Terry Fox Run



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WELCOME TO THE LUNCH LADY

We are proud to be serving

Rouge Park PS

Meals will be delivered every
Wednesday starting Wed Sept 11.
Submit your order by Tuesday 8am for
Wednesday order



Ready to place your first order?
Visit order.thelunchlady.ca to get started!



Special Food needs?
Make sure to email us
before you order.



Reduce single use plastics.
Bring your own cutlery
from home.



Sick child?
It happens. Email us before 8am
to receive a credit.

Have questions? Missed Cut Off? We are here to help:

Contact Marlyn

marlyn@thelunchlady.ca / 905-470-2598



Little Lunches by the Lunch Lady

sized for smaller appetites

All Little Lunch combos come with fruit and yogurt.
Perfectly created for little hands!



Pancakes Little Lunch

Whole grain bite-sized
pancakes & side syrup.



Spaghetti & Meatballs Little Lunch

Whole wheat pasta and
beef meatballs in homemade sauce.



Chicken Nuggets Little Lunch

Lightly breaded, baked
chicken breast nuggets.



Grilled Cheese Little Lunch

Real cheddar on
whole wheat.



Mac & Cheese Little Lunch

Homemade sauce
with real cheddar.



Assorted Sides Available!

salads, snacks and treats
to choose from.

Ready to order?

Visit our online ordering site: order.thelunchlady.ca

Proud to be serving lunches every **TUESDAY @**
ROUGE PARK P.S.

Lunch service begins on Tuesday, September 17th



Kids Kitchen is prepared and ready to assist with
the safe and healthy implementation of your
school's hot lunch program



SAFETY
FIRST



NUT FREE
ALLERGY
AWARE



GRAB & GO



VEGETARIAN,
GLUTEN FREE &
ALLERGY OPTIONS

SAMPLE MENU

Entrees

Macaroni & Cheese
Beef Soft Taco
Bean Soft Taco
Pancakes with Turkey
Sausage
Pasta with Meat
Sauce (GF)
Pasta with Tomato
Sauce (GF)
Tuna Salad Sandwich
on a Kaiser
Chicken Fingers with
Rice (GF)
Beef Burger (H)
Chicken Burger (H)
Veggie Burger

Side Items

Chicken Fingers
(2 pcs) (GF)
Baked Potato with
Sour Cream
Garden Salad with
Ranch Dressing
Steamed Veggies
Edamame (shelled)
Cucumber Slices
Veggies & Dip
Perogies (4 pcs)
Garlic Bread
2% or Chocolate Milk
Various Fruit Juices
(100% juice)

Snacks & Desserts

Fresh Apple
Fresh Pear
Fresh Orange Wedges
Diced Fruit
Yogurt Cup
Chocolate Chip Cookie
Kettle Popcorn
Fresh Fruit of the Season
Fudgy Brownie
Banana or Carrot Muffin

(GF) Gluten-friendly also available

(H) Halal also available

Not all options are available in all
locations. Please check online to see
the options at your school.

DELIVERING GOOD, REAL FOOD TO KIDS AT SCHOOL

Our commitment is to
provide nutritious, delicious,
"home-cooked" meals with
simple ingredients that you'd
find in your own kitchen.

SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS?

No problem! We're here for
you. Speak with us on how
we can accommodate your
child.

ORDER ONLINE

Visit www.kidskitchen.ca to
see your school's menu,
specials and for fast,
secure, online ordering.



SEE YOUR SCHOOL'S
MENU ONLINE

Need Help with your order?

905-944-0210 (M to F 8:30am-2pm) or email us:
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

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| Beef burger | \$6.25 |
| Buttery Pasta | \$6.75 |
| Chicken Burger (H) | \$6.75 |
| Chicken Fingers with rice pilaf (GF) (H) | \$8.00 |
| Chicken Vegetable Stir-fry with steamed basmati rice (H) | \$8.25 |
| Grilled Cheese sandwich on whole wheat bread | \$6.50 |
| Grilled Cheese & Turkey sandwich | \$7.50 |
| Macaroni & Cheese | \$7.25 |
| Meatballs with mashed potatoes, gravy & corn (H) | \$8.25 |
| Pancakes (2pcs) with Turkey sausage (2pcs) & syrup | \$8.25 |
| Pasta with meat sauce (GF) | \$7.75 |
| Pasta with tomato sauce (GF) | \$6.75 |
| Turkey Burger on a whole wheat bun | \$6.75 |
| Veggie (w/ tofu) Stir-fry with steamed basmati rice | \$7.75 |
| Veggie balls with mashed potatoes, gravy & corn | \$8.25 |
| Veggie burger | \$6.75 |

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Complete Meals

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| BLT (turkey bacon, lettuce & tomato) with Fruit | \$8.25 |
| Chicken caesar wrap with Fruit (H) | \$8.25 |
| Tuna salad sandwich with Fruit | \$8.25 |
| Chicken fried rice with Fruit (H) | \$7.00 |
| Tofu fried rice with Fruit | \$7.00 |

NEW

Snacks & Desserts

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| 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) | \$1.75 |
| Popcorn | \$2.15 |
| Yogurt cup | \$1.75 |

Side Items

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| Baked potato with sour cream | \$2.50 |
| Chicken fingers only (2pcs) (GF) (H) | \$5.00 |
| Corn niblets | \$1.85 |
| Cucumber slices | \$1.75 |
| Edamame (cold, shelled) | \$2.35 |
| Garden salad with italian dressing | \$3.35 |
| Garlic bread | \$1.85 |
| Pancakes (2pcs) with syrup | \$4.85 |
| Perogies (4pcs) with sour cream | \$4.55 |
| Steamed Rice | \$2.50 |
| Veggies & dip (ranch) | \$2.75 |

Drinks

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| 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

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| Butter | \$0.50 |
| Cheddar Cheese slice | \$1.00 |
| Extra Syrup | \$0.35 |
| Mayonnaise | \$0.55 |
| Parmesan cheese | \$0.55 |
| Pickles | \$0.50 |
| Plum sauce | \$0.50 |
| Ketchup, Relish, Mustard | Comp. |

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.

Prepared in our inspected, commercial nut-free facility. We follow all Public Health Guidelines & Safety Protocols.

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

Please contact us directly regarding any allergy questions or concerns.

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

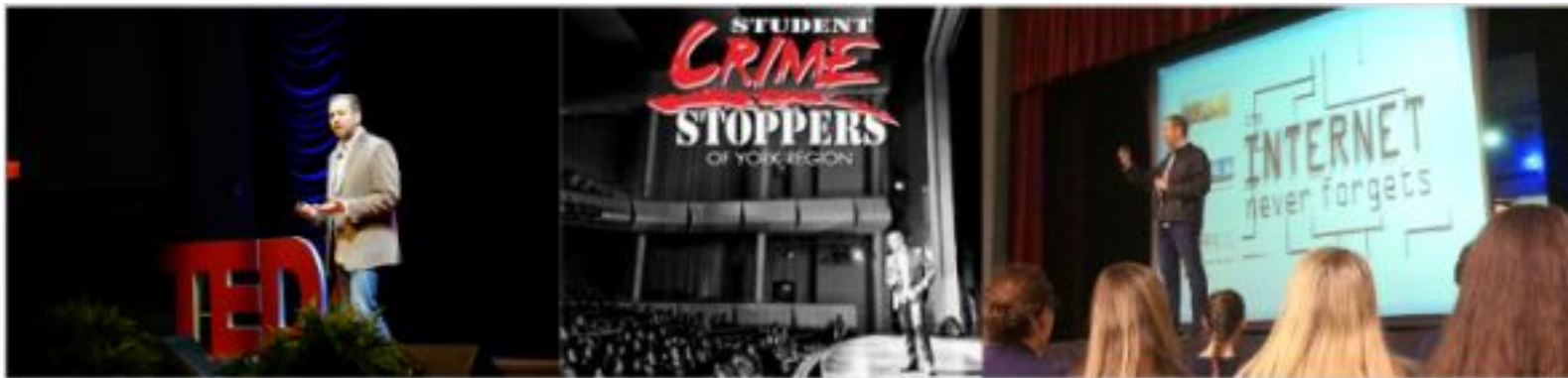
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Call: 905-944-0210 Email: information@kidskitchen.ca



2024-2025



SOCIAL MEDIA AND ONLINE SAFETY

An evening for parents/guardians/caregivers with

Paul Davis



Where: Cornell Village P.S. - Gym

When: October 23, 2024
6:30 pm-7:30 pm
(followed by Q&A period)

RSVP: Click [here](#) or scan the QR code below to register. Registrations accepted until October 16.

Childcare will be available for school-age children.

Topics include:

Snapchat / TikTok / Instagram / Discord
Smartphones and Digital Trails
Cyberbullying / Sextortion
Privacy & Online Security

**You're
invited!**

Empowering Parents in the Digital Age



SCAN TO REGISTER