



REVIEW



Sep. 20, 2024

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

It has been a beautiful week of sunny weather which has allowed for some outdoor team-building activities, consistent cross country practices and fun with our cricket kits. Students continue to settle into their routines and it is wonderful to see them adjust to their new grades and make new friends.

On October 1st, we will host a Meet our Staff event. Our School Council has been busy securing food trucks so please plan to join us for dinner and some social time on the back tarmac beginning at 5:00 pm. More details can be found below.

We continue to see a number of students arriving late to school each day. As an early start school, we understand that it can be difficult to get everyone out the door in the morning. However, please remember that we are trying hard to promote the importance of being on time and late students cause a disruption to classes that are already in progress.

Our Boston Pizza lunches will begin on Monday, September 30th. This year we have added chicken nuggets as an option. The last day to order on School Cash Online is Monday, September 23rd at 12:00 pm. Unfortunately, no late orders can be accepted.

Please reach out if you have any questions, comments or concerns. Have a great weekend!

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Sep. 23	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last morning for Boston Pizza orders (due by 12:00 pm.)• Int. girls volleyball practice @ 7:15• Cricket at 9:55
Sep. 24	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Int. boys volleyball @ 7 a.m.• Cross country practice @ 10:00• Cricket @ 9:55• Kids Kitchen for those who ordered

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Sep. 25	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross country practice @ 10:00 • Cricket @ 9:55 • Snack Shack at morning recess • Lunch Lady for those who ordered • Int. boys volleyball @ 12:15 • Int. boys volleyball @ 2:45
Sep. 26	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Picture Day! • Int. boys volleyball at 7:00 am • Cricket @ 9:55 • Cross country practice @ 10:00 • Pizza day for those who ordered
Sep. 27	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PA Day - No School

Mark your calendars:

<p><u>Upcoming Events:</u></p> <p>Sep. 26 - Picture Day Sep. 27 - PA Day Sep 30- National Truth and Reconciliation Day/Orange Shirt Day Oct. 1 - Meet our Staff Event Oct. 2 - Terry Fox Run Oct. 5 - World Teacher Day Oct. 10 - Area Cross Country - Milliken Mills Park Oct. 15 - School Council Mtg @ 6:30 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 - Tentative Grade 8 Trip</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>Friday, September 27, 2024 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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“Meet our Staff” Event at Rouge Park:

On Tuesday, October 1, we will be hosting a “Meet Our RPPS Staff” evening at Rouge Park. Please plan to join us for food and ice cream trucks on the back tarmac followed by presentations in classrooms where you will have the opportunity to meet your child’s teacher. The gathering on the back tarmac will begin at 5:00 pm followed by classroom presentations from approximately 6:15-6:45 and 6:45-7:15.

Morning Supervision:

We provide supervision for ALL students from 7:55 – 8:10 am when instructional time begins. Students can arrive at school any time between 7:55 and 8:10.

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.

An Update from the Library:

The Library Learning Commons collection is an important resource for everyone at Rouge Park Public School. Every student can take out one book per visit; the loan period is 2 weeks. Books may be renewed as needed. Beginning with the 2024/2025 school year, If a book is lost or damaged (and cannot be repaired) families will be asked to pay for the replacement cost of that item, based on the price associated with it when it was programed into the collection. Please let us know if you know if you have questions or concerns.

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](#)

Terry Fox School Run/Walk at Rouge Park!

The Rouge Park Raptors will be participating in the Terry Fox School Walk/Run on Wednesday, October 2nd. Students are encouraged to wear their best running shoes, bring a water bottle, and a sunhat for the walk/run. Our goal is to learn about Terry Fox, and raise money for The Terry Fox Organization. We hope every student can donate a toonie for Terry at:

<http://schools.terryfox.ca/RougeParkPSMarkham>



Safety Week:

The York Region School Board is committed to ensuring the safety of students, staff, and visitors in the event of an emergency situation. As such, during Safety Week (September 23 to 27, 2024) and throughout the school year, schools in our Board practise various safety drills, including Fire Drills, Lockdown Drills, Hold and Secure Drills

and the newly established Bomb Threat Drill. It is critical that all members of our school community become familiar with emergency protocols as they are designed to keep all of us safe at school. Please refer to [Board Policy #669.0](#) for more information about Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management.

Practising drills may create some anxiety for some students. If you are concerned about how these situations might impact the mental health and well-being of your child, please contact school administrators, as we have school mental health professionals available to support your child.

General Supports for Emotional Well-Being

- 310-COPE: 905-310-COPE (2673) or 1-855-310-COPE (2673) - available 24/7
- [KidsHelpPhone](#): 1-800-668-6868, text 686868 - available 24/7
- Mental Health Helpline: 1-866-531-2600 - available 24/7
- [York Hills Help Phone Line](#): 905-503-9561 Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. for children and youth (0-18 years) and their parents, caregivers or adult supporters.
- [Trans Lifeline](#)
- [Black Youth Helpline](#)
- [Naseeha Helpline/](#)
- [2SLGBTQ+ Youthline](#)
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Important Reminders for Student Safe Arrival Procedures:

We would like to remind families to report any student absences. As per [Board Policy and Procedures #665.0, Safe Arrivals and Departures – Elementary and Secondary Students](#), if your child's absence is still not verified even after exhausting different steps to connect with the family, York Regional Police will be contacted and may be dispatched to your residence. We remind parent(s)/guardian(s) to update the school with all emergency contact information when changes are made. Thank you for your cooperation in reporting student absences.

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!

Snack Shack:

To those of you who are new to RPPS, our grade 8 students run a Snack Shack every Wednesday at morning recess. All students are welcome to bring \$2 to purchase a cookie or bag of popcorn. This year we will also offer goldfish crackers for \$1.

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

Our 6th Annual Terry Fox Run - 2024



We are excited to share that our 6th Annual: Rouge Park Terry Fox Walk/Run will take place on Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024.

Students will be running or walking a circuit around the school, with the hope of supporting cancer research. Younger students will be running in the back area of the school. Our school run/walk will last for an hour. Students will need to come to school prepared with their water bottle, sunscreen (already applied), sunhat, sunglasses, running shoes, and appropriate attire.

Students are encouraged to donate using this link:


<http://schools.terryfox.ca/RougeParkPSMarkham>



For safety reasons, students should not be going door to door to campaign for donations. They should not be asking people they do not know for donations. Instead, students are encouraged to ask friends and family for small donations. Our goal is to have every student donate a **toonie for Terry**, as a toonie from each student can add up to an important contribution to the Terry Fox Organization. If you are uncomfortable donating online, you can send a toonie in with your child.

This event is intended to help students understand an important role model in Canada's history, who teaches about dreaming big, helping others, perseverance, and taking action. We appreciate your help with encouraging your child to fully participate and do their best at the Terry Fox School Run/Walk event.

Let's go Raptors!




Rouge Park Public School

MEET THE TEACHERS!



TUESDAY, OCTOBER
1ST, 2024

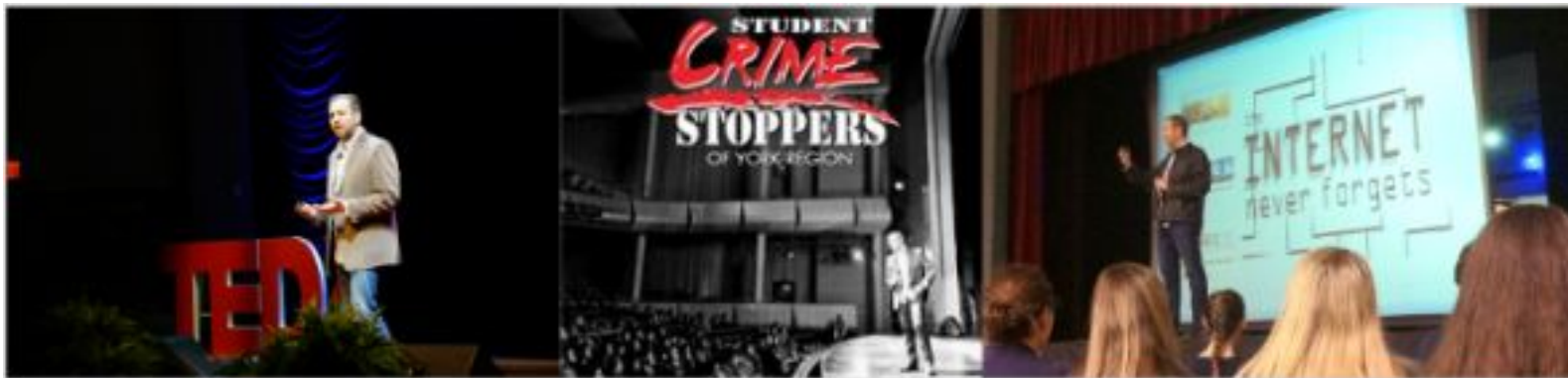


**FOOD & ICECREAM TRUCK ON
THE BACK TARMAC FROM 5-6**

PRESENTATION 1: 6:15

PRESENTATION 2: 6:45





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

September 19, 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Re: Class Re-Organization for September 30, 2024

As you may know, the Government of Ontario requires all school boards in Ontario to have 20 or fewer students in 90% of primary classes (Grade 1 to Grade 3); up to 10% of primary classes may have up to 23 students. At the same time, we are required to show the average size of Grade 4-8 classes across our Board. Early Learning Kindergarten programs have approximately 26 students, with one teacher and one designated early childhood educator in each class.

Staff have worked diligently to organize classes to provide the best program for each child and to comply with the maximum class size requirements. Please note however that there may be changes prior to September 30, 2024 (the date on which class sizes will be reported to the Ministry of Education).

You will be informed of any changes to your child's class placement through the school principal.

If you have any questions regarding the Class Size strategy, please visit the Ministry of Education's website at: www.edu.gov.on.ca and search for "Class Size".

Rest assured that we are taking all steps possible to minimize disruption in our schools.

We thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Sincerely,



Bill Cober
Director of Education

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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



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



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



Sick child?
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to receive a credit.

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

Contact Marlyn

marlyn@thelunchlady.ca / 905-470-2598



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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



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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
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specials and for fast,
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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

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

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

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

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

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	\$0.50
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.

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2024-2025

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