

REVIEW



September 15, 2023

Message From Administration

Hello Rouge Park Families,

It is hard to believe we have only been back at school for two weeks. Students are already back in routine and are following their new programs of study as if summer break never happened!

This week our junior and intermediate students have enjoyed the start of cross country running and intermediate volleyball tryouts. It is wonderful to see so many involved in extracurricular activities. More clubs, teams and activities will be offered throughout the year.

We also held our first fire drill of the season (we are required to do 3 in the fall and 3 in the spring) and we hosted our Safe and Caring Schools assemblies. Students learned about school and board expectations in terms of behaviour and how we support and apply consequences for inappropriate behaviour. At both assemblies, students listened and responded so politely. We are really proud of our school community. We are certainly happy to see the number of students and families walking or biking to school! This is such a fabulous way to start the day! It is great for the environment and helps keep the school zone safe. If you are currently driving your children to and from school, consider trying to walk to school when possible. This is especially important for our older students.

Next week and the week after, we will be sending out our first field trips of the year. Our grade 2, 4 and 7 students will be visiting Milne Conservation Area where they will enjoy a day of learning in the outdoors. If you have a child participating in the trip, please make sure they dress for the weather.

At this point in time, we do not foresee having to reorganize any classes as we are meeting Ministry Compliance. This is great news for staff and students.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please reach out to your child's classroom teacher or to one of us in the office. We are here to help.

Shana Tova to those families celebrating Rosh Hashanah this weekend!

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Upcoming Events:

Date	Day	What's Happening at School?
Sep. 18	5	Intermediate Girls Volleyball 2:40-4:00
Sep. 19	1	 Intermediate Boys Volleyball @ 7:15 Cross Country Running for grades 4-8 @ morning recess Kid's Kitchen for those who ordered

		 Intermediate Girls Volleyball 2:40-4:00 School Council Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. in the staffroom
Sep. 20	2	 Milne trip for Ms. Chan, Ms. Ahmed, and Ms. Szatmari's gr. 2 classes Cross Country Running for grades 4-8 @ morning recess Snack shack at morning recess - \$2 per snack Intermediate Boys Volleyball @ lunch Intermediate Girls Volleyball 2:40-4:00 Lunch Lady for those who ordered
Sep. 21	3	 Milne trip for Ms. Jefferson and Ms. Canning's grade 2's Cross Country Running for grades 4-8 @ morning recess Pizza day for those who ordered Intermediate Girls Volleyball @ lunch Intermediate Boys Volleyball after school
Sep. 22	0	 PA Day - no school
September September October 3 -	29 - Area 30 - Natio Terry Fox	et our Families" Event Cross Country Meet nal Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Orange Shirt Day run - donation information below <i>r</i> ing (No classes)

"Meet our Families" Event at Rouge Park

On Wednesday, September 27, we will be hosting a "Meet the Families" event 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. Food will be available to purchase beginning at 5:00 pm and the first presentation will begin at approximately 6:15. We will also have samples of Spirit Wear available for those who wish to purchase new items.

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, ice cream or bag of popcorn.

School Council

The Rouge Park School Council is an advisory group of parents, teachers, and staff that serve a vital role in helping our students reach their potential in all aspects of school life. The School Council promotes student achievement in many ways including; advising on school policies and procedures, assisting with school programs, fundraising etc.

School Council Candidate Nomination Forms are sent electronically with the start up package. This form can be filled in if you would like to apply for an executive position on council. We welcome all

parents to attend each meeting (you do not have to fill in the form if you just want to attend some meetings and hear about or help with school events. The first meeting will be held at Rouge Park on Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30pm..

Reporting an Absence

Our school operates a safe arrival program that requires that we check the whereabouts of all students who are absent each day. It is important that parent(s)/guardian(s) let us know if their child is going to be absent. We have a 24 hour absence reporting line. When you call in please clearly state your child's name and state their teacher's name as well. You may leave a message anytime at: (905) 350-0005. You may also report an absence through Edsby.

EDSBY SIGN UP

This platform will be required to report absences, book appointments and may be used as a communication tool with your child's teachers. For Edsby to be effective, it contains personal information about you and your family that is collected by the Board at registration. This information is used to provide services and support to you and your family. Edsby is a secure system that keeps your details and information safe and secure. You will be receiving an invitation to EDBSY if you are new to the school, or you have not yet signed up. Please visit this link for online resources to help you register and use EDSBY.

School Start-Up packages were sent electronically by the school board earlier this week. Please fill in the forms by Friday, September 22nd. A copy can be found here: <u>https://startupforms.yrdsb.ca/</u> It is very important that we have this information for every child.

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.

<u>Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan</u> <u>Asthma Health Care Plan</u> <u>Diabetes Health Care Plan</u> <u>Epilepsy/Seizure Disorder Health Care Plan</u>

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 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 September 2023.pdf

PA Day - September 22, 2023

As per PPM. 151 all schools are now required to post a copy of the PA Day plan 14 days prior to any PA Day. Please let this memo serve as notice for our planned school PA Day on September, 22, 2023. Please note school will be closed to students on this day and teachers will be engaging in the following Professional Development:

Length: Half Day – AM

Topic 1: Student Well-being, School Safety and Violence Prevention

Entity Hosting: All Elementary Schools

Presenter(s) /Facilitators(s): Online modules developed by Board staff. Facilitated by

School Administration

Description:

School teams will engage in compliance training including:

- Occupational health & Safety;
- Student safety and violent incident prevention;
- Training on supporting student mental health and well-being; and
- Understanding cybersecurity and online privacy.

Length: Half Day – PM

Topic 2: Literacy/Mathematics Instructional Strategy

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Online modules developed by Board staff, self-directed and/or group directed in grade/division groupings.

Description:

Literacy: Kindergarten to Grade 6 will participate in a module providing an overview of literacy in YRDSB, an orientation to the new Ontario Language curriculum, Early and Emergent Reading Instruction, Universal Design for Learning, Equitable Assessment, and Screening Tool information.



The 5th Terry Fox Run/Walk at Rouge Park Public School!

Dear Parents/Caregivers:

We are excited to announce that our school will be proudly taking part in the **2023 Terry Fox School Run**, scheduled to take place on **Tuesday**, **October 3**, **2023** (*if needed*, *the rain date is the next day*). This event is intended to support cancer research, and build school spirit, while teaching students about a determined and courageous Canadian hero.

Our hope is that **each student can contribute a toonie** for Terry. Donations of \$2 (or more if you prefer) can be made on our school page at https://schools.terryfox.ca/RougeParkPSMarkham. Receipts are issued immediately to donors contributing through email, using the school page. You will notice that the school page enables students to create their own student page if they wish to invite friends or family to donate. Please be aware, it is not required though, as students can also donate directly by clicking "Donate". Please note: We do NOT want students going door to door asking for money. If interested in helping with this campaign, students should only be asking family or friends for donations.

On **October 3**, please make sure your child brings a **water bottle**, comfy **running shoes**, and a **positive attitude** to school to honour Terry's mission.

Thank you in advance for your support,

The staff at Rouge Park P.S.

Intermediate Team Building Activities





Wednesday, September 27

Food trucks, catered meals, baked goods, ice cream trucks (expect line-ups), school clothing sales

5-7:30 First presentation in classrooms will begin at approximately 6:15. Second presentation (repeat of the first) will begin at 7:00



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student(s) (customers) then select Order Now



Select order delivery date



Add items to cart (return to calendar for more dates)



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your order



Relax and let us do the rest!



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









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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.



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Assorted Sides Available! Salads, snacks and treats to choose from.

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Select School / Camp Delivery



Add student(s) (customers) then select Order Now



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Add items

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more dates)



Check out

and

complete

your order



Relax and let us do the rest!

order delivery date

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

GRAB & GO







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.

STED AND APP POUL

SEE YOUR SCHOOL'S MENU ONLINE 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.

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