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# Roy H. Crosby Public School

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## *News from the Office*

As the long days of summer begin to fade and as the heat of the day makes way for crisp and cool evenings, our thoughts turn to the coming school year and all the promise it holds. I sincerely hope that you and your loved ones found time to relax and rejuvenate over the past two months. It certainly was a beautiful summer, and I look forward to the stories that will be shared by staff and students about their wonderful adventures as we get back to a 'normal' we have longed for. On behalf of the staff at Roy H. Crosby, I welcome you back to another exciting year. I look forward to the opportunity to work with you and your children over the coming months.

Each new school year brings with it the excitement and anticipation of reconnecting with old friends, making new friends, exploring new topics, and wondering what wonderful experiences are about to unfold. At Roy H. Crosby Public School, we commit ourselves to providing your child with rich learning experiences that ignite the spark of their natural curiosity in the world around them. It is my hope that you and your child will enjoy becoming engaged in an active school life, filled with opportunities for your child to stretch his or her mind, body, and heart. I urge every student to take the initiative to make good choices for their academic and social growth. Whether that be trying out a new sport, picking up a new instrument, becoming a student leader, making a new friend, or reaching that next goal.

There will be lots of information coming home over the next couple of weeks from the school. I encourage you to take the time to review these important notes and share with your child's teacher any information that will help them in supporting your child's learning. I look forward to the relationships that we will build and strengthen this year. I wish you and your family all the very best for a productive and enriching school year.

Sincerely,  
*Mrs. Di Stefano*

**Principal:** Mrs. Christina Di Stefano

**EOAA:** Ms. Leeanne Arbour

**Secretary:** Ms. Carmen Gieb

**Trustee:** Mr. Allan Tam

**Superintendent of Schools:** Ms. Elizabeth Lau

# The ROY H. CROSBY In Person Learning Team

## PRIMARY/JUNIOR TEAM

FDK	Basil Wong
DECE	Siobhan Torrance
SK/1	Sia Bessiris
DECE	Juliana Barnes
Grade 1/2	Daniel Feldberg
Grade 2	Amy Liu
Grade 3	Rashmi Varshney
Grade 4/5	Stephanie Gogan
Grade 5/6	Isabella Papadatos

## SPECIALITY AREAS

EA	Kelly Marcoccio
CYW	Nancy Wilson
French/Prep	Brent Holmeshaw
Music/Library	Malisa Mani
Prep	Stella Grigorakis
ELL/Prep/Library	
Literacy/Empower	Irene Recchia
Special Education	Yupin Walsh Stephanie Gogan

## GIFTED TEAM

Grade 4/5	Julie Gibson
Grade 4/5	Tyler Ladouceur
Grade 6	Sara Dhirani

## ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Principal	Christina Di Stefano
EOAA	Leanne Arbour
Secretary	Carmen Gieb

## CUSTODIAL TEAM

Lead Custodian	Trish Courtney
Custodians	Jin Zheng Danny Zamanis

## MILNE OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Seda Nanorian - Teacher Leader  
Anjea Cory – Educational Assistant



# Start-Up Items



## Paperwork! Paperwork! Paperwork!

There will be an electronic ‘*Start Up*’ package sent to you by YRDSB that will have important information.

There will also be forms sent to you to fill out and return to the school. Please look out for this package as it is expected to be sent out the week of September 12<sup>th</sup>. If your child has a medical condition, it is imperative that you fill out the medical forms that are needed for your child’s condition.

## Entry and Dismissal



Roy H. Crosby has an open entry. Supervision in the school begins at 8:20 a.m. The school day begins at 8:35 a.m. and ends at 3:05 p.m.

We ask that parents **do not come into the school with their children**. The students are very capable of moving indoors, taking their outdoor clothing off, and getting their materials ready for class. Furthermore, we all understand that the development of their healthy independence and confidence is a critical life skill.

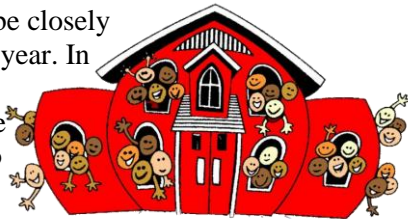
## Parking and Bussing

Please **do not park** in the area in front of the school property between 8:15 and 8:35 am, or from 2:45 to 3:15 in the afternoon. If you are parking to drop off a student, please do so west of Lake Vista, or east beyond the school on Drakefield. Bussing arrangements are coordinated by transportation services. Visit [www.schoolbuscity.com](http://www.schoolbuscity.com) for route info.

## Consistent Attendance at School

While it makes sense that an ill or contagious child is kept at home, there is no doubt that consistent and punctual attendance at school is extremely important for ongoing academic success. Aside from learning an important life skill, children who are on time for school start each day in a more confident frame of mind, are much calmer, and ultimately are better organized, equipped, and prepared for learning.

Attendance and punctuality will be closely monitored throughout the school year. In some situations, York Region District School Board Attendance Services may need to be called to support families.



## Food Alert Regarding Allergens



“WOW BUTTER” IS NOT RECOMMENDED AT SCHOOL



Regional Health Departments state that schools must exercise due caution and refrain from allowing soybean butter and other similar peanut-free spreads into schools. The risk is that these types of products look, smell and taste like peanut butter. It is difficult, if not impossible, to distinguish these products from real peanut butter. As a result, it makes it very challenging for school personnel to maintain a safe environment for all students. As alternatives, other peanut-free spreads that don’t look, smell and taste like peanut butter can be used as part of a nutritious lunch (e.g. hummus, low fat ricotta cheese, vegetable purees, bean dips, or guacamole). We thank you!

## Safe Arrival Program

If your child is ill or will be late, please contact the school office immediately to notify them. The school phone number is (905) 294-2910. After office hours, the answering machine will pick up your calls and you can leave a message.



Every morning we contact the parents of all students who are absent from school. If we are unable to contact anyone, it is Board policy that we call the police.

# September 2022

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
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5 <i>LABOUR DAY</i>	6 <i>PA DAY</i>	7 <i>1<sup>st</sup> Day of School</i>	8	9
12	13	14	15	16 <i>Recognizing Military Family Appreciation Day</i>
19 <i>Safety Week Begins</i>	20	21	22	23 <i>PA DAY</i>
26 <i>Rosh Hashana (Diamond Day)</i>	27 <i>Rosh Hashana (Diamond Day)</i>	28 <i>Terry Fox Run</i>	29 <i>Terry Fox Run (Rain Date)</i>	30 <i>Orange Shirt Day</i>

## Looking ahead to October

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
3	4 <i>Picture Day ☺</i> <i>School Council Elections 6:45 pm</i>	5 <i>Yom Kippur (Diamond Day)</i>	6 <i>Curriculum Night (Date Tentative)</i> <i>Information to follow</i>	7
10 <i>Thanksgiving (No School)</i>	11	12	13	14



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