



Lord Roberts Junior Public School

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Theresa Dillinger, Principal

Tuesday, September 26, 2023.

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As is often the case in September, we have had an increase in the numbers of students across the primary and junior divisions and so we have had to re-organize our classes. The objective is to reduce the numbers in the classes and to have straight grades if possible. We have had daily new admissions, which has caused our numbers to soar and fluctuate daily. Hopefully, the organization below will serve our students well, for the remainder of the year. The addition of two new staff members, one to the primary division and one to the junior division, is a welcome change – welcome to Ms Laura Fraser and Mr. Daniel Park. We have also been allotted another ESL Resource .5 teacher, which we will announce as soon as the individual is hired.

Class Name	Teacher	Room
JK/SKA	E. Avramis	A
JK/SKB	T. Storms	B
JK/SKC	J. Cheung	2
JK/SKD	S. Williams	3
Grade 1A	B. Viera	4
Grade 1B	B. Hayes	8
Grade 1/2	L. Fraser	9
Grade 2	K. Trovato	7
Grade 2	C. Polidoro	5
Grade 3A	K. Caandeepan	6
Grade 3	P. Haxton	10
Grade 4	E. Vaughan	23
Grade 4/5	S. Ganeshanathan	22
Grade 5A	R. Dela Calzada	21
Grade 5/6	D. Park	211
Grade 6A	C. Basmayor	29
Grade 6B	C. Jacob	30
Gym	K. Russell	Gym
Music	E. Lai	28
ESL (Resource)AM	C. Huang	ESLoffice
ESL (Resource) AM	TBD	
Library PM	C. Huang	Library
French	M. Henley (Kirkwood-Lazazzera)	24
Resource/MART	K. Leventis	20

At the end of day, Wednesday, Sept. 27/23, students that are having a change of teacher/classroom, due to re-organization, will be receiving that information. The letter will go home with the student. This will give you advance notice of the new teacher so that you can meet him/her on Thursday night. The new re-organization will take effect on Monday, October 2/2023. The students who are moving will be in their new classes on that day.

Parents, this coming Thursday, Sept. 28, we will be having a “Newcomers” Meeting in the gym at 5:00 pm. Just after that, we are holding our “Curriculum Night/Meet the Teacher” at 6:00 pm. in the gym. Please come out and meet your child’s teacher. It is an opportunity to find out what your child will be learning this year and the routines of the classroom.

Keep in mind that the following Thursday, October 5, is our School Council meeting at 6:00 pm in the staffroom. We are holding elections for the new Chair/Treasurer/Secretary.

Once again, Picture Day is Monday, October 16th.

Learn4Life – Adult General Interest Community Program

Fall registration is still open for our Adult General Interest Program with courses in business, languages, art, music, sports, dancing, and more! Open to adults 18 years of age and seniors, the Learn4Life program offers a unique and valuable opportunity for individuals to pursue their interests, expand their knowledge, and engage in lifelong learning with a wide range of courses and activities designed to cater to diverse interests and passions.

[Visit Learn4Life’s program page for more information.](#)

New Parent/Caregiver Focused Digital Citizenship Workshop:

Parents/Caregivers, we invite you to a free online session to learn about digital media literacy skills so you can understand and better support your child to use technology for learning, identify misinformation and help stop the spread of online hate.

The TDSB is partnering with Civix to offer this valuable learning opportunity to TDSB families via Zoom. Thursday, October 12th from 6:30 - 7:30PM

or

Wednesday, October 18th from 6:30 - 7:30PM

Registration is required at: <https://CTRL-F-TDSB.eventbrite.ca>

Please note that registration is free and will be limited to 300 participants on a first come, first served basis, so please register early.

This virtual workshop is designed to help parents/caregivers learn simple skills for verifying online information, in this era of social media and artificial intelligence such as ChatGPT.

TDSB Virtual Community Fair: For Parents/Caregivers of Children, Youth and Young Adults with Special or Complex Needs

Topic:

Come meet with our very own TDSB Professional Support Services and Special Education and Inclusion Consultants who will discuss crucial support at your child/youth/young adult’s school. Get an opportunity to talk to a TDSB Psychologist, Occupation Therapist and Physiotherapist, Speech and Language Pathologist, Social Worker and a Special Education and Inclusion Consultant.

Guests: TDSB Professional Support Services and Special Education and Inclusion Consultants.

When: Monday, October 16th, 2023, from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon and the same information will be repeated on Monday, October 23rd, 2023, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm. ([flyer](#))

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 255 846 447 429

Passcode: 3BWFVF

[Download Teams](#) | [Join on the web](#)

For more information send email to virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca

Or call Larena Case at 416-570-3314 or Maria Antonia Aymerich at 416-524-1930

Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference - October 21 & 22, 2023

Join us at our annual Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference on October 21 and 22, 2023.

Parents, guardians, and caregivers are invited to participate in a weekend of learning, connection, and engagement and to learn strategies to support your child throughout the year.

Last year, we partnered with the TDSB's Outdoor Education team and the City of Toronto to bring a unique experience to the conference. All of the in-person sessions are scheduled between 2:00 and 3:30 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. Transportation from central sites is available to all venues, leaving the location at 1:00 p.m. and returning at 3:30 p.m. More information will be provided as we approach the date.

The virtual conference includes a keynote address on Saturday, October 21, 2023, by Dr. Gholnescsar (Gholdy) Muhammad, an Associate Professor of Literacy, Language, and Culture. On Sunday, October 22, 2023, Sarah Baldeo, an accomplished neuroscientist, technologist, corporate strategist, and a successful entrepreneur, will be our keynote.

Visit www.parentsaspartners.ca to register and for more information.

Just a reminder that Friday, October 6 is a PA Day. There are no classes for students on that day.

Thanksgiving Day is on Monday, October 9, which is also a holiday. Hence, October 6-9 is an extra long weekend. I hope everyone enjoys it with family and friends, celebrating the fall harvest.

Feel free to call the office @ 416-396-6420 if you have any questions, concerns or comments. See you all this Thursday at Curriculum Night! Don't forget to fill out your nomination form for a position on the School Council. Either declare your candidacy or nominate someone else for the School Council!

Sincerely,

T. Dillinger
Principal
Lord Roberts Jr. P.S.