October 2, 2020

Quote of the Week:

**“Every strike brings me closer to the next home run.”**

**– Babe Ruth, professional baseball player**

Dear RH McGregor Families,

With over two weeks under our belts, we are getting back into the swing of things.  It is so wonderful to see the students excited to be back at school!  We truly appreciate all the support from parents as we continue to navigate return to school.  Thank you for continuing to screen your child each and every day and sending in the  [Student Health Pass](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/ueaPSYZteAkU11hAfL9SeQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP4SrA2h0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2EvdV9IX1ZtNFAtRTBpcWFpaEppSXduQX5-L0FBQUFBUUF-~~).

I am now able to access the emails of parents who have chosen virtual school so they can remain connected to what's happening here at RH!

Below are the updates for this week:

1.  **Masks and Face Covering Requirements - Recently Updated Important Information**

In response to rising confirmed cases of COVID -19 in Toronto, the GTA and elsewhere in Ontario, health agencies, and provincial and municipal governments are reviewing and updating health and safety measures in an attempt to reduce the spread of the virus. The TDSB is also reviewing its health and safety measures and making changes where needed. The TDSB’s [Mask Guidelines](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/tHZV1yB7KiZ8uATBDbwNgQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP4QHAWh0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2Eva1Frd2ViVC1wNXFQaDJEaEVyWlY2QX5-L0FBQUFBUUF-L1JnUmhUMS1wUDBST2FIUjBjSE02THk5M2QzY3VkR1J6WWk1dmJpNWpZUzlRYjNKMFlXeHpMekF2Wkc5amN5OVVSRk5DVFdGemEwZDFhV1JsYkdsdVpYTlZjR1JoZEdWa1UyVndkR1Z0WW1WeU1qUXVjR1JtVndkelkyaHZiMnh0UWdvQVNDa3NibF80SXU5X1VobE5ZWEpwWVM1TWIwSnBZVzVqYjBCMFpITmlMbTl1TG1OaFdBUUFBQUFDVwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAR6tgd1-4GLTlUhlNYXJpYS5Mb0JpYW5jb0B0ZHNiLm9uLmNhWAQAAAAC) have been updated in light of increases in confirmed COVID-19 cases,

[https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Return-to-School/Health-and-Safety/Mask-and-Face-Covering-Requirements-For-TDSB-Students-and-Staff](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/ZQSTjaybXYMX0aJdRHObUQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP4RDAWh0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2Evazc0UlZNLV9mazllcUI4SDAtRzhYUX5-L0FBQUFBUUF-L1JnUmhUMS1wUDBSNWFIUjBjSE02THk5M2QzY3VkR1J6WWk1dmJpNWpZUzlTWlhSMWNtNHRkRzh0VTJOb2IyOXNMMGhsWVd4MGFDMWhibVF0VTJGbVpYUjVMMDFoYzJzdFlXNWtMVVpoWTJVdFEyOTJaWEpwYm1jdFVtVnhkV2x5WlcxbGJuUnpMVVp2Y2kxVVJGTkNMVk4wZFdSbGJuUnpMV0Z1WkMxVGRHRm1abGNIYzJOb2IyOXNiVUlLQUVncExHNWYtQ0x2ZjFJWlRXRnlhV0V1VEc5Q2FXRnVZMjlBZEdSellpNXZiaTVqWVZnRUFBQUFBZ35-VwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAR6tgd1-4GLTlUhlNYXJpYS5Mb0JpYW5jb0B0ZHNiLm9uLmNhWAQAAAAC)

**All parents, guardians, guests and visitors are now required to wear masks outdoors both during entry and dismissal times.**

**2.  Latest Parent/Guardian Letter from TDSB**

[https://www.tdsb.on.ca/News/Article-Details/ArtMID/474/ArticleID/1528/Elementary-ParentGuardian-Update](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/oubO0e6sAqEDx3QcudgPNQ~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0RmaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cudGRzYi5vbi5jYS9OZXdzL0FydGljbGUtRGV0YWlscy9BcnRNSUQvNDc0L0FydGljbGVJRC8xNTI4L0VsZW1lbnRhcnktUGFyZW50R3VhcmRpYW4tVXBkYXRlVwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAR6tgd1-4GLTlUhlNYXJpYS5Mb0JpYW5jb0B0ZHNiLm9uLmNhWAQAAAAC)

[https://www.tdsb.on.ca/News/Article-Details/ArtMID/474/ArticleID/1527/Elementary-Virtual-School-Update](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/nM1pwaRVeNcQkrLnhvc45Q~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0RmaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cudGRzYi5vbi5jYS9OZXdzL0FydGljbGUtRGV0YWlscy9BcnRNSUQvNDc0L0FydGljbGVJRC8xNTI3L0VsZW1lbnRhcnktVmlydHVhbC1TY2hvb2wtVXBkYXRlVwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAR6tgd1-4GLTlUhlNYXJpYS5Mb0JpYW5jb0B0ZHNiLm9uLmNhWAQAAAAC)

**3.  Terry Fox Fundraising Update**

Congratulations to the incredible school community of R.H. McGregor Public School for raising $1,979.00 for this year's Terry Fox school event and beating our 2019 fundraising total!

Thank you very much for your support!

**4.  Yearbook Orders**

Deadline for orders is Monday, Oct. 5, 2020.

If you would still like to order a 2019-20 yearbook,please order online using our school Cash Online system.

Cash Online Name: Yearbook 2020

Our yearbook cost is $20.00

[https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com/](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/QlbQEpprFTwD3i_5_fsFQw~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP4TXAmh0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2EvT2tQYXBZeUYtTTdhc3o0TXRNaEtsZ35-L0FBQUFBUUF-~)

**5.  PSC Updates**

-Pizza Lunch Funds

To request a refund or to make your remaining funds a donation, follow this link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RHPizza](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/Wa5h7sb2km4eL1AYR4kX1w~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP4S7AWh0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2EvbXRlNUtmZXFBaVZSZlI0WGppZk03Z35-L0FBQUFBUUF-L1JnUmhUMS1wUDBUVGFIUjBjRG92TDNSeVlXTnJMbk53WlM1elkyaHZiMnh0WlhOelpXNW5aWEl1WTI5dEwyWXZZUzlCTFZocWJFUmZjMlJSWVZoRFJWaGFiRW80ZEVGM2ZuNHZRVUZCUVVGUlFYNHZVbWRTYUZSTVVUWlFNRkZ0WVVoU01HTklUVFpNZVRrelpETmpkV016Vm5sa2JWWTFZbGM1ZFdFeVZqVk1iVTUyWWxNNWVVd3hTa2xWUjJ3MlpXMUdXRUl6VG1waFJ6bDJZa2N4UTBOblFrZDFiMEp5V0Rsbk4wbGpaRk5IVlRGb1kyMXNhRXhyZUhaUmJXeG9ZbTFPZGxGSVVtdGpNa2wxWWpJMGRWa3lSbGxDUVVGQlFVRkpmbGNIYzJOb2IyOXNiVUlLQUVncExHNWYtQ0x2ZjFJWlRXRnlhV0V1VEc5Q2FXRnVZMjlBZEdSellpNXZiaTVqWVZnRUFBQUFBZ35-VwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAR6tgd1-4GLTlUhlNYXJpYS5Mb0JpYW5jb0B0ZHNiLm9uLmNhWAQAAAAC)

The deadline is October 5th, 2020

Any questions? Please email Melissa Martin at [ajax\_mel@rogers.com](mailto:ajax_mel@rogers.com)

-Next School Council Meeting

- Tuesday, October 6th, 7 p.m. via Zoom - [https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/98317139337](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/-Tsj2gRQfELf6Fwf_gM4Uw~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP4S7AWh0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2EvdWw5MjNWbngwaVBZaHZwUjZNaTJpd35-L0FBQUFBUUF-L1JnUmhUMS1wUDBUVGFIUjBjRG92TDNSeVlXTnJMbk53WlM1elkyaHZiMnh0WlhOelpXNW5aWEl1WTI5dEwyWXZZUzlhY1hCUFgwTlJOM2xhTkdGT09XVkRhVGxaVUhWQmZuNHZRVUZCUVVGUlFYNHZVbWRTYUZNek9IRlFNRkZzWVVoU01HTklUVFpNZVRrd1draE9hVXhYVG1oTWJuQjJZakl3ZFdSWVRYWmhhVGcxVDBSTmVFNTZSWHBQVkUxNlRqRmpTR015VG05aU1qbHpZbFZKUzBGRmFYRlRNbkJtYjNwdmNVbEdTVnBVVjBaNVlWZEZkVlJIT1VOaFYwWjFXVEk1UVdSSFVucFphVFYyWW1rMWFsbFdaMFZCUVVGQlFXZC1mbGNIYzJOb2IyOXNiVUlLQUVncExHNWYtQ0x2ZjFJWlRXRnlhV0V1VEc5Q2FXRnVZMjlBZEdSellpNXZiaTVqWVZnRUFBQUFBZ35-VwdzY2hvb2xtQgoAR6tgd1-4GLTlUhlNYXJpYS5Mb0JpYW5jb0B0ZHNiLm9uLmNhWAQAAAAC)

-  [Agenda](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/6VZ7mXeOFTfCiZFzbSEutg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9cDI1QmowS3JtekUmbWFsPTBkMmZjZGY1NmUyNDAwYjE2NmRmNzZkOTYzZDU3MjdlM2FjMTBjZDExMGIzMDcyMmIwNzk5ZGIyZWU4NzNkMThXB3NjaG9vbG1CCgBHq2B3X7gYtOVSGU1hcmlhLkxvQmlhbmNvQHRkc2Iub24uY2FYBAAAAAI~)

**6.  Start of Year Forms Package**

The Start of Year Forms package was made available to parents/guardians digitally again this year. The forms were emailed to all parents/guardians m between **Monday, September 28, 2020 - Wednesday, September 30, 2020.** The Start of Year Forms will be completed for all students (both in-person and virtual). These forms are associated with the student and therefore will move with the student, regardless of the learning model chosen.

The Start of Year Forms package does not replace the Student Verification form that is sent home by schools in September which is used to verify student demographic and parent contact information.

**The forms/procedures that will be provided in digital format are:**

* PR088 - Acceptable Use of Information Technology Resources
* PR511H - Walking Excursion - Immediate Community
* PR511E - Medical Information for Excursions
* PR511K - Physical Education Information and Intramural Information/Permission
* PR519A - Severe Weather Conditions: Permission to Leave School
* PR529B - Student Media Consent Release Form
* PR563 - Anaphylaxis
* PR571 - Code of On-line Conduct
* PR585 - Board Code of Conduct
* PR607 - Diabetes Management
* PR714 - Asthma Management
* TDSB Digital Learning Tool Consent Form **(now mandatory for all grades)**

An email will be automatically sent to the parent/guardian who is the primary or secondary contact (Priority 1 or 2).

**7.  Bulletin Board Fun!**

Due to the current situation, parents are not able to access the school as in previous years.  Every week I will try to share an interesting bulletin board display with you so you can get a glimpse what our hallways look like these days.  Thank you to Ms. Brobyn for the inspiration for this bulletin board.  The staff had fun creating their Bitmojis!

[Spread Kindness Not Germs Bulletin Board](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/zJ-2SFT0WMI2DdP4uIjs3w~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0R0aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNhL20vP3M9cDI1QmowS3JtekUmbWFsPTNhYjRjZjdiOGFiZGMyMWY4ODdkZGFlZWM2YzMwYTk1ZjYzYTZlYTRjMDBkNWVjMWFhNDRmZDU1YjUyMmM4MDFXB3NjaG9vbG1CCgBHq2B3X7gYtOVSGU1hcmlhLkxvQmlhbmNvQHRkc2Iub24uY2FYBAAAAAI~)

**8.  International Languages – Elementary Panel and African Heritage (ILE-AH)**

The [International Languages – Elementary](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/LqJZZOzO07kEJ2Nq4aFWCg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0RSaHR0cHM6Ly9kcml2ZS5nb29nbGUuY29tL2ZpbGUvZC8xUmg1Umw3YU1JeDlZRVVrLXM1NHlPbHo0dWJKSTBpMHMvdmlldz91c3A9c2hhcmluZ1cHc2Nob29sbUIKAEerYHdfuBi05VIZTWFyaWEuTG9CaWFuY29AdGRzYi5vbi5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)and [African Heritage program](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/oZO47SkYbgs0pJD-B32YYg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0RSaHR0cHM6Ly9kcml2ZS5nb29nbGUuY29tL2ZpbGUvZC8xb1ZEaFJ6MzJkdS1HaE9YdHJCalQza2lTSmlWXzlCZVovdmlldz91c3A9c2hhcmluZ1cHc2Nob29sbUIKAEerYHdfuBi05VIZTWFyaWEuTG9CaWFuY29AdGRzYi5vbi5jYVgEAAAAAg~~)welcomes JK to Grade 8 students to learn a language (except for English and French) for 2.5 hours a week.  The program is delivered remotely and is free.  Registration is online and now available. Classes begin Saturday, October 3, 2020. Please visit [www.ileprograms.ca](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/WwqVp5p0FzHGYzTVnEq_VA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRhWJQrP0QaaHR0cDovL3d3dy5pbGVwcm9ncmFtcy5jYS9XB3NjaG9vbG1CCgBHq2B3X7gYtOVSGU1hcmlhLkxvQmlhbmNvQHRkc2Iub24uY2FYBAAAAAI~) for more information.

**9.**  **Dress for the Weather, Inclement Weather Procedures**

Please ensure your child is dressing for the weather as we will be going outside rain or shine to get those important breaks from wearing masks.

If there is inclement weather at drop off or pick up, we will continue to meet you at the designated line-up areas as we do not have space to enter the building.