



Rolph Road ES Newsletter

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Appreciation

On behalf of our entire Rolph Road team, I would like to thank all parents, guardians and caregivers who were able to attend Curriculum Night on October 3rd. We look forward to seeing you at future school events including Family Literacy Night on November 2nd. You will continue to receive regular communication from classroom teachers as well as my weekly principal's school newsletter. Thank you also to everyone who was able to attend the School Council AGM on October 4th.



Thank you to Kirstie Joseph, this year's Pizza Lunch Coordinator and her team of parent volunteers for a great first Pizza Lunch of the year on October 4th. Students **LOVE** Pizza Lunches and we appreciate the awesome support of parent volunteers!





- October 09 – Thanksgiving Holiday
- October 10-13 – Grade 6 Overnight Trip to Sheldon Valley
- October 16 – Girls Soccer Tournament at Bridlewood P.S.
- October 17 – Wenjack Walk
- October 18 – Cross Country Conference Finals
- October 20 – Final placement day for our current George Brown ECE students
- October 20 – Home & School Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser
- October 23 – Boys Soccer Tournament at Bridlewood P.S.
- October 25 – Brightpics Photo Day
- October 25 – Cross Country City Championships
- October 25 – Ward 11 [Community Coffee Event](#) with Trustee Chernos Lin
- October 26 – Rolph Road hosting Flag Football Tournament
- October 31 – Rolph Road Spooktacular Parade & Dance Party
- November 02 – Family Literacy Night
- November 13 – School Support Team Meetings (All afternoon.)
- December 01 – Junior Division Field Trip – Raptors 905 @ Rogers Centre

Mental Health and Well-Being

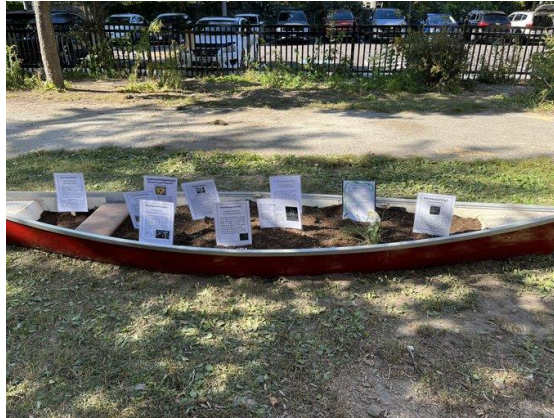


The TDSB Professional Support Services team offers weekly virtual drop-in times where you can connect directly with a staff member to help answer questions and provide support to help you and your child.

More information is available [HERE](#).

Indigenous Education and Sovereignty

We are learning about the land on which we live, work, learn, and play. Aligned with this learning is our participation in the David Suzuki Foundation's Butterfly Way Project. Carol Lee from the foundation let us know that we are the first Leaside school to have a Butterfly Way canoe. Thank you to the David Suzuki Foundation for donating the canoe planter to our school!



Mr. Sauve, one of our Kindergarten teachers dug out the space we needed in our Kindergarten yard and the canoe was installed last week. In the daytime, during school hours, you will have noticed individual signs about native plants that we will be planting in the spring. Each of our classes selected a plant, researched the plant, and created a sign. Thank you to teachers and students for this amazing learning! Ask your child which plant their class researched! One example is included below.



Ininiwanzh (iig) is commonly known as Butterfly Weed. This perennial is native to Ontario and Quebec. Indigenous Peoples valued its medicinal properties and used the fibre for rope and weaving. With vibrant orange, red and yellow flowers that seem to jump out, butterfly weed is a great addition to a sunny garden with average dry soils. It is a source of nectar for monarch butterflies and other butterflies.

Ininiwanzh (iig) flower gifts are red-orange clusters of small flowers blooming in summer. In fall, rainbow pods releases wind-bound seeds. In winter, visual gifts continue with gray/tan seed pods.

Used for medicinal purposes.

Summer – Flowering

Fall, Winter – Seed pods © www.Ojibwe.net

Rolph Road Cross-Country Update



Awesome running, Road Runners! All of those P.E. class, lunches and after school runs paid off - you rocked your races! Rolph had many top individual finishers and posted incredible team results.

Official results will be available next week. Any results currently available are not official and are subject to change.

Thank you to all the dedicated Rolph Road coaches and all teachers school-wide for their support and flexibility so we could send three coaches to the races on October 5th on a day when we were short-staffed. **Many thanks** to the awesome parent volunteers who travelled on the school bus and helped to supervise our students at the meet so coaches could manage marshalling for our biggest team of the year. Thank you also to all parents who drove their children to and from the meet and stayed to cheer on our team. Go Rolph Go!!!

Families, please refer to the information package sent by Coach Jonsohn for details about Conference Final races and City Final races.





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