



Rolph Road ES Newsletter

April 6, 2023

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TDSB Chair & Ward 11 Trustee: Rachel Chernos Lin



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Principal: Frances Themeliopoulos

Office Administrator: Anna Ivans



Rolph Road Office Hours

The office is open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, however, the response time for phone calls or emails may be delayed depending on what we are managing. For example, Ms. Ivans may be supporting a child who has come to the office with an injury, or answering the buzzer at Door 1, supporting staff, or speaking with Board visitors in the office, etc.,

We encourage you to please phone the Safe Arrival line ([416-396-2437](tel:416-396-2437), Option 1) to report an absence and please provide the reason for the absence so it can be coded accordingly (e.g., illness, medical appointment). Picking up voicemail messages is the most efficient way for Ms. Ivans to complete Safe Arrival. If you are calling the general school line (416-396-2435) please leave a detailed message and Ms. Ivans will return your call as soon as possible.

We ask that you ***please always copy Ms. Ivans*** on emails to teachers about arrangements to pick up your child(ren) early. Our Rolph Road [School Fact Sheet](#) includes bell times and recess periods for your reference.

Rolph Road Chess Club is back!

Chess Club got off to a roaring start this year with participants ranging from Grade 3 to Grade 6. Extra dates were added due to the high turnout. Thank you to Mr. Miha and Mr. Cushman for bringing back this much-loved club. Weekly practices now take place in “chateau français” in Portable 1 every Wednesday at lunch for our Grade 3 and Grade 4 students. Mr. Miha is coordinating a virtual lunch-hour tournament with Pauline Jr. PS for our Grade 3 and Grade 4 chess players!

Stay tuned for details about an in-person tournament for our Grade 5 and Grade 6 chess team at Pauline Jr. PS towards the end of the month (exact date TBD).



- April 6 – Passover
- April 7 – Good Friday
- April 10 – Easter Monday
- April 14 – Solar New Year (Hinduism)
- April 14 – Sinhalese & Tamil New Year
- April 14 – Orthodox Holy Friday
- April 17 – Orthodox Easter Monday
- April 12 – Division 2 – Grade 6 Volleyball Tournament at Bessborough EMS
- April 13 – Division 1 – Grade 6 Volleyball Tournament at St. Andrews MS
- April 18 – Kindergarten Field Trip to Young Peoples Theatre
- April 20 – School Support Team Meetings all morning.
- April 22 – Earth Day (United Nations)
- April 22 – Earth Day Clean Up Celebration at Seton Park (*see Page 3)
- April 25 – Grade 6 Graduation Photo **RETAKES** from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.
- April 26 – Rolph Road Blue Jays Day (vs. Chicago White Sox)
- May 2 & 3 – Toronto Public Health Dental Screening (JK/SK and Grade 2)
- May 4 – Rolph Road Literacy Night (5:30 to 7:30 PM)

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](#).





Earth Day Clean Up Celebration

Don't Mess with the Don is a local non-profit committed to protecting and enhancing the natural heritage of the Don Valley and Toronto ravine. Rolph Road has been invited to join Don't Mess with the Don for their Earth Day clean up celebration at ET Seton Park on April 22 from 10am to 1pm.

It's a great opportunity to get out with your children and teach them about volunteering. Kids of all ages are encouraged to participate. To help track numbers please contact Heather McKelvey at hmckelvey1@gmail.com to register in advance, if possible.

2023-2024 SAC and Home & School Positions

Please contact our current School Advisory Council Chair, Cara Brown if you are interested in taking on this leadership role next year. Email Cara.Brown@tdsb.on.ca for more information.

Rolph Road Home and School Association Co-Chair Machteld Gamble's and Co-Chair Ashley Grant's term is also ending. Please email rolphroadhomeandschool@gmail.com if you are interested in learning about the important work of the Home and School Association and applying for these positions.

2023 Rolph Road Fun Fair is on Thursday June 8th



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