

Rolph Road ES Newsletter

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Parking Lot & Safety Reminders

We continue to experience problems in the school parking lot and we ask that families please park on the street *if you are arriving after 8:15 am*, even if you are dropping off to Rolph Road Daycare. School staff, daycare staff, TDSB tradespeople and delivery vehicles must be able to park and enter the school to prepare for the school day, etc.,

We remind all parents/guardians/caregivers to always hold your child's hand anytime you are in the school parking lot. Please do not let your children walk or run across the parking lot unescorted. <u>The path inside the Kindergarten Yard that leads to Door 2 is the best route to walk along</u>. Our Rolph Road team is counting on parents, guardians, and caregivers to reinforce this message to children.

Reporting safety concerns after school hours

The information below is being reshared so that anyone who is at the school after school hours and/or on weekends can please follow up *if they witness unsafe or possible criminal activity on school property.*

- In the event of an emergency, call 9-1-1 to report possible criminal activity.
- Contact the Toronto Police non-emergency number 416-808-2222 to report concerns about activities on school property after hours or on the weekend.
- Contact the TDSB Emergency Call Centre at 416-395-4620 to report concerns about activities on school property after hours or on the weekend.
- Encourage visitors to always discard litter in the appropriate recycling or garbage bins.
- Please also remember that there are no pets permitted in the schoolyard and especially on the field used daily for various sports tryouts, team practises and gym classes. Unfortunately, we have had instances when children have stepped or slipped on dog waste and we have had to phone home for a change of clothing and footwear.



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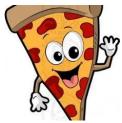
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April 22 Earth Day (United Nations) April 22 – April 30 - Passover begins on Monday evening and will end on April 30th. April 23 - Grade 6 Graduation Photos (Morning) - Rooms 4 & 5 visit to Public Library (Ms. Kroboth & Ms. Nulla) • April 24 April 24 - Grade 5 Field Trip to the ROM April 26 Rooms 21 & 23 Field Trip to Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre - PIZZA LUNCH • May 2 • May 3 – May 6 - Orthodox Good Friday (3), Easter (5), Easter Monday (6) May 7 – 101 Dalmatians Dress Rehearsal in the Gym at 12:45 for students/staff. • May 7 - 101 Dalmatians Performance 1 in the Gym from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. • May 8 – 101 Dalmatians Performance 2 in the Gym from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. - TPH Dental Screening for Kindergarten & Grade 2 students. May 8 May 10 Room 9 (Ms. Jajeh & Ms. Pollyann) visit to Public Library May 10 – JUMP Rope for Heart Launch Assembly (Mr. Jonsohn & Ms. P.) May 13 School Support Team Meetings (Afternoon) May 14 - Forest of Reading Festival at Harbourfront - Jr. Book Club Field Trip May 16 - PIZZA LUNCH - Track & Field (Conference Qualifiers) May 16 May 20 Victoria Day Holiday May 22 Harbourfront Arts field trip (Ms. Kroboth & Ms. Nulla) • May 23 – Grade 3 Field Trip to Black Creek Pioneer Village - PIZZA LUNCH May 30 May 30 Harbourfront Arts field trip for Kindergarten Division June 4 Track & Field (Conference Championships) June 5 School Council Meeting June 6 School-wide JUMP Rope for Heart Event Day June 7 - Elementary P.A. Day - Term 2 Reporting - Track & Field (City Championships) June 11 • June 13 - Rolphapalooza - Annual Fun Fair • June 13 - PIZZA LUNCH June 21 - Grade 6 Graduation June 25 - Term 2 Reports sent home electronically.

Thank you for another awesome Roadrunner Pizza Lunch!



Thank you to Pizza Lunch Coordinator, Kirstie Joseph, and the amazing team of parent volunteers that helped with yesterdays Pizza Lunch.



Virtual Drop-in Hours Open to Parents/Guardians/Caregivers



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 <u>HERE</u>.



Children's Mental Health Ontario

Trusted resources to help parents and caregivers support their child's mental health and well-being.



School Mental Health Ontario By Your Side video series for parents and caregivers available HERE.

tdsb | Occupational Therapy & Physiotherapy Services

TDSB OT/PT site for Caregivers: Pre-recorded webinars on a variety of topics available HERE.

Mathematics for Families & Caregivers Website

TDSB Mathematics for Families & Caregivers is a website that provides links to both digital tools to support learning at home and resources to encourage the development of positive identities around mathematics.



Families may view and explore the resources HERE.

Resources from the Department of Speech-Language Pathology

The TDSB's department of Speech-Language Pathology offers **FREE** wonderful resources for families and educators that support language development.

For example, here is a <u>video</u> (with a closed captioning option) that provides 5 tips for when you don't understand your child's speech.

Their SLP Google site for parents is linked <u>HERE</u> and includes various resources such as <u>Social Scripts</u> that help children learn what to do or say as they develop their social skills.

Social Scripts	This is a visual that helps children learn what to do or say as they develop their social skills. E.g., what to say when speaking on the phone or having a virtual playdate, etc.	 When Grown-Ups are on the phone I will try not to interrupt I can touch their arm or wave at them to get their attention I will give a thumbs up and go back to my activity
		For examples of social scripts visit: www.abaresources.com/social-stories,

TDSB Family and Caregiver Early Literacy Website

The Early Literacy Family and Caregiver website is now available. It provides information for families about the vision of early reading in the TDSB and how to continue to explore early literacy at home.

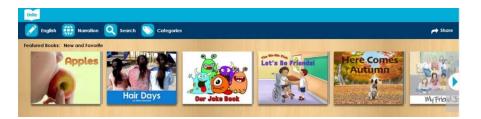
Click on the links below for the Guide and translations.

Family and Caregiver Early Literacy Guide – English

Click <u>HERE</u> to select translations that are available in Arabic, Bengali, Dari, Farsi, French, Greek, Gujarati, Hindi, Hungarian, Korean, Pashto, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Simplified Chinese, Turkish, Urdu, and Vietnamese.

Unite for Literacy Website: Stories Narrated in Several Languages

<u>Unite for Literacy</u> offers free digital access to stories narrated in many languages. Their vision is of a world "where all children have access to an abundance of books that celebrate their languages and cultures and cultivate a lifelong love of reading" and you can view the available "Narration Languages" by clicking on Narration on the top tab.





Toronto Public Library Dial-a-Story Program

The **Toronto Public Library** offers a free "Dial-a-Story" program at **416-395-5400**. Children and their families can listen to stories over the phone at any time of the day in 16 different languages.

There are stories for younger children (7 and under) and for older children (up to 12). You can encourage your child to listen to the storyteller's oral fluency and expression, and to tell you all about the story (plot, setting, and characters).



The **Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario** (<u>LDAO</u>) offers resources and services (e.g., workshops for children and parents) designed to help people with Learning Disabilities and ADHD.

Additional resources for parents, students and families dealing with LDs can also be found at the <u>LDATHOME website</u>.



Integra Learning Disabilities & Mental Health provides family-centred, evidence-informed direct clinical services to children and youth ages 8 to 18 with diagnosed learning disabilities complicated by mental health issues (LDMH) in Toronto. More information is available <u>HERE</u>.



Surrey Place provides services for children and adults with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), developmental disabilities and visual impairment, their families, and caregivers.

More information is available <u>HERE</u>.



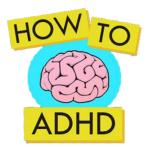
The **Geneva Centre for Autism** offers a wide range of age-specific programs designed to support individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

More information is available <u>HERE</u>.



About ADHD

CENTRE FOR ADHD AWARENESS, CANADA CSTC - Centre de sensibilisation au TDAH Canada CADDAC is a national charity providing leadership in awareness, education, and advocacy for ADHD across Canada. The linked resources to support children with ADHD are free for families and educators.



How to ADHD

Learn more about How to ADHD and view videos prepared by the Neurodiversity University <u>HERE</u>.



, Free Online 8 Module Series

"**Rolling with ADHD**" is a free, online, eight module series that covers practical tools and strategies for caregivers of children with ADHD. More information is available <u>HERE</u>.



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