



Rolph Road ES Newsletter

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Rolph Road Spreading Holiday Cheer at Millwood Retirement Residence

We are looking forward to our scheduled visits to the Millwood Retirement Residence on Wednesday December 21st. Rolph Road classes will be walking over to drop off crafts, drawings and Christmas cards, and there may be some holiday sing alouds as well. Thank you to all Rolph Road students and staff! Residents will be inside waiting for visitors who will be outside in the patio area.

This partnership is possible due to the wonderful teamwork between staff members Jill Kemp and Alexandra Stefanoff, our Rolph Road School Council Chair, Cara Brown, and Eric Jaffary. We thank Eric Jaffary for helping to facilitate our visits, and our goal to spread holiday cheer and give back to our community.



Happy Hanukkah

To all Rolph Road families who are observing Hannukah from December 18-26, we wish you bright, happy, and memorable celebrations.





- December 19-23 – Rolph Road spreading holiday cheer at Millwood Retirement Residence.
- December 18 – 26 – Hanukkah
- December 21 – Yule/Winter Solstice
- December 19-23 – Rolph Road **GIVING LIGHT** Spirit Week
- December 25 – Christmas Day
- Dec. 26 – Jan. 1 – Kwanzaa
- Dec. 26 – Jan. 6 – **Winter Break**
- January 13 – Elementary PA Day
- January 19 – School Support Team Meetings all morning.
- January 19 – Caring and Safe Schools Committee Meeting at 3:20 pm
- January 19 – School Council Meeting at 7:00 pm



Attention all Grade 6 Families

A reminder for all Grade 6 families that our Grade 6 Graduation was booked earlier in the school year and will take place on the afternoon of June 21st.

Principal Janet Bambrick and Vice Principal Lynette Bacon will be hosting a parent information session for Grade 6 parents at Bessborough Elementary & Middle School on the evening of Thursday June 22nd. More details will follow closer to the session. Bessborough will also be hosting a separate orientation session for students only, during the instructional school day. I look forward to returning to Bessborough for these two sessions.

RR Home and School Association Spirit Wear Sale



We have a limited quantity of spirit wear left after Winterfest. Some youth sized hoodies, adult sized hoodies and toques are available.

Please click [here](#) if you would like to make a purchase before the holidays.

We are happy to schedule delivery for you at the school or make alternate arrangements for delivery as needed.

Happy Holidays!

~ Rolph Road Home and School Association

Join our Rolph Road ES Caring & Safe Schools Committee

Our Caring & Safe Schools Committee includes student, staff, and parent/guardian/caregiver representatives. The meetings will be after school from 3:20 to 4:20 pm on the dates below.

January 19th

February 23rd

March 30th

May 4th

Please send an email to frances.themeliopoulos@tdsb.on.ca if you are interested in representing our parent/guardian/caregiver community on this committee.



News from our RR Equity Committee – Volunteers Needed

The Rolph Road Equity Committee is looking to expand by creating Equity Committees with students and also with parent(s)/guardian(s)/caregiver(s). Ms. Stefanoff and Ms. Themeliopoulos invite you to join and partner with us.

We will be making announcements for students to join just before the break. **Please discuss equity with your child and if they are interested, encourage them to join.** We plan to schedule our first Student Equity Committee Meeting in the New Year.

We are also hoping some families will be interested in joining our parent/guardian/caregiver Equity Committee. Please email **Ms. Stefanoff** (alexandra.stefanoff@tdsb.on.ca) **by Tuesday, December 20 letting her know of your interest.** We plan to schedule our first Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Equity Committee meeting in January.

We are excited to expand our Equity Committee and work together with our students and families to continue making Rolph Road a welcoming, caring, and safe place for all.

Mark your Calendars for our WEEK OF GIVING LIGHT

Light is a common, and an important aspect of many celebrations and traditions. For example, Diwali is the festival of lights, Christmas has Christmas lights, Hanukkah celebrations include lighting a candle each night on the hanukkah/menorah and Eid is celebrated with lanterns, just to name a few. Light can also mean joy, bringing joy and light to others. We are looking forward to opportunities to give and receive light and joy during our Spirit Week!

Monday, December 19	STEAM Challenge: Every class will decorate their classroom door with a variety of materials to represent the theme of light. When classes are ready to 'present' there will be an opportunity for classes to walk around the school to see every door and enjoy the creations!
Tuesday, December 20	Family Fun Day Breakfast parties, afternoon crafts, activities, music experiences and yummy treats. <i>We are looking forward to welcoming you!</i>
Wednesday, December 21	Favourite Sweater Day The title says it all - wear your favourite sweater! We welcome the coziest, comfiest, brightest, funniest, and so on sweaters!
Thursday, December 22	Come to school in your Rolph Road Spirit Wear on RR Giving Day! Each class has been paired up with another class to give a gift to each other. The possibilities are endless - but giving is a very special thing that can feel really good! <i>Please wear your Rolph Road gear Roadrunners!</i>
Friday, December 23	PJ Day, Dance Party and Movie Wear your pajamas, dance outside and then watch a movie or have fun with your class! A fun day before the winter break! <i>Friday sing out begins at 3:10 pm!</i>



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