



Rolph Road ES Newsletter

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Celebrating Lunar New Year at Rolph Road

Thank you very much to Ms. Chea and Rolph Road parent Jenny Chow for contributing items that were proudly displayed near our main office. It was wonderful to welcome Jenny Chow in some classrooms, to support our learning.

She also shared this [VIDEO](#) that explains the significance of the beautiful, traditional shirt 唐装 (Tang Suit) loaned to us for our display. Please also see this past Tweet on our [Rolph Road Twitter page](#).



Our Student Equity Committee members are taking over managing our display case to showcase learning about TDSB Heritage and History Months. Way to go, student leaders!

Rolph Road Supports the Daily Bread Food Bank

Did you know that our Grade 5 student leaders in Ms. Macapagal's class have created a website to document their learning connected to our **Giving from the Heart Food Drive**?

Please review their amazing work in progress [HERE](#). We are very proud of our student leaders!

Food Drive Newsletter

Our school is hosting a food drive called the Giving From the Heart Food Drive. All the food that the school collects goes to the Daily Bread Food Bank. We are hosting this food drive for the whole month of February. We named the food drive Giving From the Heart because the food drive is in the month of February and February has Valentine's Day. There are three big boxes in front of the office for you to put your donations in. You can drop off your donations from 9:00AM-5:00PM. Please donate as much as you can to the school food drive so no one in Toronto goes hungry. Please remember to donate food that will not go bad. For example, Peanut butter, pasta, pasta sauce, baby food, rice, canned food, fruit juice and more. Please see next slide to see more food to donate. Thank you for reading and please donate so no one in Toronto goes hungry.

Daily Bread Food Bank's most needed items

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peanut butter | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beans (lentils, chick peas, kidney beans, etc.) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pasta | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pasta sauce |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canned fruit | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canned fish (tuna in water) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canned soup | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100% fruit juices |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canned vegetables (tomatoes, corn, peas etc.) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oatmeal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baby food |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canned stew, chili, etc. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Baby formula |

You can drop off food donations at any local fire hall across Toronto throughout the year.



This is all food that will not go bad and help feed the people in need. Please help donate to the Daily Bread Food Bank. Thank you for your help.





- February 22 – NEW to Kindergarten Registration appointments in Room 5
- February 23 – **PIZZA LUNCH**
- February 23 – Boys Basketball Tournament at Bessborough EMS (All day.)
- February 24 – Girls Volleyball Tournament at Don Mills MS (Morning only.)
- February 24 – Grade 1-6 Skate Day at Leaside Gardens Arena (PM)
- March 02 – Dance-A-Thon
- March 13 - 17 – March Break
- March 23 – School Support Team Meetings all morning.
- March 27 – School wide Lice Check (AFTERNOON)



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).

Digital Puzzles on the Toronto Public Library’s Site



Did you know that Toronto Public Library created digital puzzles featuring bits of Ontario history?

Try solving some puzzles linked [HERE](#).

Resources from the Department of Speech-Language Pathology

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

For example, here is a [video](#) (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 [HERE](#).

Their Twitter Account with free resources such as visuals related to snowy weather is linked [HERE](#).

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.

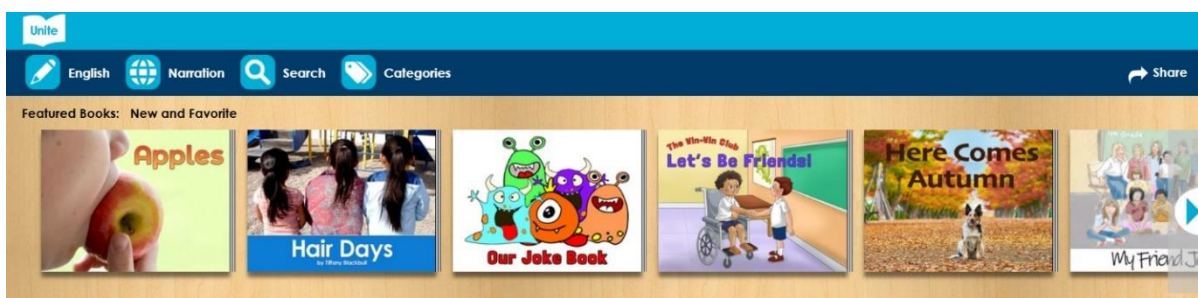
Click on the links below for the Guide and translations.

[Family and Caregiver Early Literacy Guide – English](#)

Click [HERE](#) 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

[Unite for Literacy](#) 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.





The **Learning Disabilities Association of Ontario** ([LDAO](#)) 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 [LDATHOME website](#).



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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 [HERE](#).



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 [HERE](#).



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

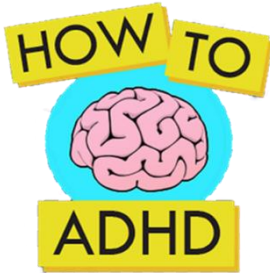
More information is available [HERE](#).



CENTRE FOR ADHD AWARENESS, CANADA
CSTC - Centre de sensibilisation au TDAH Canada

About ADHD

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 [HERE](#).



Healthy
Minds
Learning

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 [HERE](#).



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](#).



Rolph Road 2023 Fun Fair

We're excited to share that a date for Fun Fair has been secured. Save Thursday June 8th for another memorable evening for the Rolph Community!

We're starting to think about planning and looking for people to join this year's planning committee. It's a great way to get involved and meet new people. If you're interested in participating, a kick-off meeting has been scheduled for **Tuesday February 28th at 7:00pm at 99 Bessborough Drive.**

We'd love to see you there! Please RSVP to Fun Fair Chair, Heather McKelvey, at hmckelvey1@gmail.com if you can make it. Not to worry if you are unable to attend the first meeting, there is still opportunity to be involved. Send Heather an email and she will add you to the Fun Fair 2023 communications distribution list. Thanks!



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