

Rolph Road ES Newsletter

January 27, 2023

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Ongoing Parking Lot Concerns

We continue to experience problems in the school parking lot and we ask once again 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 <u>DO NOT</u> let your children walk or run across the parking lot unescorted. The path that leads to Door 2 (north side) is the best route to walk along.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Thank you, Pizza Lunch Coordinators & Parent Volunteers!

Thank you to Pizza Lunch Coordinators Tammi Visano and Sonja Ulrich for all of their ongoing work organizing the Pizza Lunch program and recruiting volunteers. Students enjoyed their first Pizza Lunch of 2023 on Thursday and we are all grateful to the team of parent/guardian/caregiver volunteers for their support!



Under no circumstances will a child be excluded from Rolph Road Pizza Lunches. Any family who would like to request support is asked to please email the principal to ensure that their child(ren) will be included in future orders at no cost. Thank you to the Rolph Road community for ensuring that all children enjoy Pizza Lunch.

Email: frances.themeliopoulos@tdsb.on.ca

Rolph Road Supports the Daily Bread Food Bank

Our Grade 5 student leaders in Ms. Macapagal's class have been working with Ms. Macapagal and Ms. Massos on our **Giving from the Heart Food Drive**. They have been researching information to share with our community about who uses food banks and how we can support the Daily Bread Food Bank. The next time you visit our school, you will notice the collection boxes across from the Main Office. Thank you to Mila, Armin, Summer, Tessa, Luella and Makayla for this week's poster below. We are very proud of you, Grade 5 student leaders!

Daily Bread Food Bank

By: Mila, Armin, Summer, Tessa, Luella, Makayla (Gr. 5 students from P3)

Our school is donating to the Daily Bread Food Bank. We are donating food so that everyone has food and no one goes hungry. The food drive is called Giving From The Heart because it is in the month of February and February is Valentine's Day. We are trying to help as many people as possible by donating as much food as we can to the food drive. The food drive will be running the whole month of February, from Feb. 1st-Feb. 28th.

You can drop off food, that will not go bad at Rolph Road Public School in front of the office. Thank you for reading our paragraph and we hope that you can contribute to the Daily Bread Food bank to help feed the hungry. Please see below for what food items the Daily Bread Food Bank needs the most.



Rolph Road Skate Days on February 10 and 24

Thank you to coordinators Sonja Ulrich and Ashlie Mubarak for all of their work preparing for the return of Skate Days – TWO MORE FUN days on the Rolph Road events calendar!

All Grade 1-6 students will be participating and your child(ren)'s homeroom teacher will be sharing the Excursion Management Application (EMA) online permission form with you this coming week.

What do families need to know???

Two skate days have been booked for several reasons including:

- Skating is a fun winter physical activity!
- Our graduating Grade 6 students have missed out on past Skate Days during Covid-19 closures.
- Busy families might have a conflicting event (e.g., hockey tournament, family vacation) on one of the dates and we want to maximize participation.
- Both Arena A <u>and</u> Arena B have been booked thanks to the generous support of our Rolph Road Home & School Association. *Home & School has paid the full cost on both days.*

What your child will need on February 10 and 24:

- Skates
- Hockey helmet

NOTE: We are in the process of determining how many pairs of skates and helmets are available for children who need to borrow equipment that is stored at Leaside Arena.

How can you volunteer on Skate Days?

- Look out for an email from Home & School Coordinators Ashlie Mubarak and Sonja Ulrich.
- Sign up to help supervise on the walk over to the Arena and in the Arena (e.g., washroom breaks).
 This volunteer role requires a police reference check.
- Sign up to help tie skates.
- Sign up to be an on-ice 'skating coach'.



@leasidegardens

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 <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 **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.

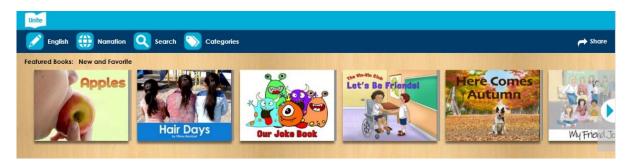
Click on the links below for the Guide and translations.

Family and Caregiver Early Literacy Guide – English

Click <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

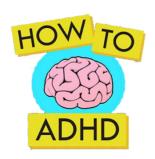
<u>Unite for Literacy</u> offers free digital access to stories narrated in many languages. Their vision is of a world "where all children have access to an abundance of books that celebrate their languages and cultures and cultivate a lifelong love of reading" and you can view the available "Narration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





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 <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 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**.



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- February 07 Pump Up Assembly for 2023 Dance-A-Thon
- February 10 Grade 1-6 Skate Day at Leaside Gardens Arena (PM)
- February 14 Term One Report Card sent home electronically.
- February 16 School Support Team meetings all morning.
- February 17 PA Day
- February 20 Family Day Holiday
- February 23 PIZZA LUNCH
- February 24 Grade 1-6 Skate Day at Leaside Gardens Arena (PM)
- March 02 Dance-A-Thon

Kindergarten Registration for September 2023

February is Kindergarten Registration month at the TDSB. Families may register their child online using the Online Registration System (OLR) at www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten to begin the registration process.

Answers to Kindergarten Frequently Asked Questions are available HERE.

Families who have completed the online registration may phone Ms. Ivans at 416-396-2435 to schedule an in-person appointment to review registration documents.

We are booking appointments on Wednesday February 8th and 22nd.

All families who register their child for September 2023 will also be invited to attend an in-person Kindergarten Orientation session this June.



Rolph Road Fun Fair: Thursday June 8, 2023

Thank you to Fun Fair Committee Chair, Heather McKelvey who is already planning this year's Fun Fair. Please save the date!

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