



Rolph Road ES Newsletter

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Safety Reminders – Please review with your child(ren)

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. *The path next to the iron fence is the best route to walk along.*

This reminder is being shared because we have had two reports this week of a driver having to stop suddenly because a child was walking through the parking lot, unaware of the nearby moving vehicle. Our Rolph Road team is counting on parents/guardians/caregivers to reinforce this message to children.

As always, the safety of our students is a priority and we urge you to once again, reinforce with your children common street proofing and safety procedures. Two TDSB Safety Tip sheets are linked for you below and this is a good time to review them as we approach the Daylight-Saving time change coming up on November 6th.

[TDSB Streetproofing Tips – Elementary](#)

[TDSB Traffic Safety Tips](#)

Appreciation for our Student ECEs from George Brown College

We would like to thank our Student ECEs and the George Brown College team who coordinates placements for partnering with our Rolph Road Kindergarten team.

We have enjoyed welcoming and getting to know Ms. Mirhashemi in Room 2, Ms. Vythilingum in Room 8, and Ms. Chu in Room 9. We thank them for working with our youngest students and supporting their learning. We wish Ms. Mirhashemi, Ms. Vythilingum and Ms. Chu the best in their future endeavours as today was their final placement day at Rolph Road.



- October 22-26 – Diwali
- October 25 – Junior Girl's Soccer Tournament at Summit Heights Jr. PS
- October 26 – **PIZZA LUNCH**
- October 26 – Cross Country City Finals
- October 27 – Junior Boys Soccer Tournament at Bridlewood Jr. PS
- October 31 – Trip to Round the Bend Farm for all students in Grades 1-3
- November 14-17 – Grade 6 Trip to Sheldon
- November 15 – Progress Reports sent home electronically.
- November 18 – Professional Activity Day (No school for students.)

The Teal Pumpkin Project



The Teal Pumpkin Project was inspired by a local awareness activity run by the Food Allergy Community of East Tennessee (FACET). FARE thanks FACET for their ongoing partnership as we work to reach families across the country and around the world with the Teal Pumpkin Project's messages of awareness, inclusion and community.

Putting a teal pumpkin on your doorstep means you have non-food treats available, such as glow sticks or small toys. This simple act promotes inclusion for trick-or-treaters with food allergies or other conditions. More information is available [HERE](#).

Free Reading Support offered by Leaside HS Students

Students from Leaside High School are offering free one on one reading support with elementary aged students in Grades 2-6. The sessions are run **virtually** on a weekly basis and range from 20 minutes to about an hour. Participating Leaside high school students are earning community volunteer hours through this program.

It is still possible to join. If you would like your child to participate in this free reading support program, please email Ms. Themeliopoulos at frances.themeliopoulos@tdsb.on.ca

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](#).

Please also see the **Hearts and Minds October Newsletter** linked [HERE](#), brought to you by the TDSB Psychological Services department.

Where in our school can you find this beautiful fall display?

Students in Ms. Stefanoff's and Ms. Maureen's Kindergarten class practiced fine-motor skills by wrapping yarn and creating fall colours around cardboard leaves. They also strung leaves on wire, creating wonderful patterns! **Great work, Kindergarten students!**



Congratulations Gr. 6 Flag Football Conference Champions!

After a resounding success last week at our play-in tournament, the Grade 6 Co-Ed Flag Football team travelled to Oakwood Collegiate to compete in the conference championships. After two hard fought games, complete with many touchdown passes and runs, interceptions, huge defense stops, and a rowdy cheering section of both parents and players, Rolph was able to secure the banner as the South Conference Champions!!! We are so proud of all our players for their perseverance, dedication, enthusiasm, and sportsmanship. Go Rolph Go!



Pumpkin Parade - Tuesday November 1st

On Tuesday November 1st join us at Trace Manes for the second annual Rolph Road Pumpkin Parade!

Drop off your carved pumpkins to Trace Manes Park between 4 and 6pm on Tuesday November 1st

Come with your family to check out all the creative carvings between 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Bring any leftover or unwanted candy with you and it will be donated to the Thorncliffe Food Bank

At the end of the evening pumpkins will be deposited into on-site organic waste bins

Once again Avoca Chocolates will be offering discounts at their store during the event

As with all our events we need volunteers to help make it happen! Please email Heather McKelvey at hmckelvey1@gmail.com if you can help on November 1st. High school kids looking for volunteer hours are also welcome to help out.

Libations in Leaside - House Crawl - Friday November 4th

The much-loved Rolph House Crawl is back! Come out and meet other parents at our first Rolph Road adults only social event this year. Enjoy drinks and snacks as you travel through Leaside visiting three Rolph family homes. Thanks to our hosts Lisa and Brian Dymond, Deborah Lucas and Mike Arblaster and Julie and Phil Tyas!

Tickets are \$50 and cover the cost of food and drinks. All remaining proceeds will be donated to Rolph Road Home and School and used to support athletic and art programs.

Purchase your tickets at [Eventbrite](#) today!

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