



# Rolph Road ES Newsletter

January 10, 2025

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## Winter Safety Reminders



During winter months, we want to ensure the safety of all our students. Please remind your child(ren) to wear appropriate footwear and follow staff instructions to prevent any slips and falls.



As always, snow and ice should remain on the ground and not be thrown to avoid accidents or injuries. Thank you for helping us keep our school community safe this winter season!



We also encourage families to have their child(ren) rehearse getting dressed in all layers and all winter gear at home to support developing independence for entry/exit transitions at school. Teachers and support staff always promote and support development of important self-help skills and we want families to be aware of the challenges of getting large groups of children ready when there may be one adult supporting.



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## Winter Well-being Guide

You may view the TDSB's 2024/2025 Winter Well-being Guide in 25 languages including English [HERE](#).

### The guide includes:

- \*Supports for Mental Health and Well-Being
- \*Winter Programs and Activities for Children/Youth
- \*Resources for My Child/Youth with Special/Complex Needs
- \*Supports and Resources for Youth
- \*Ideas for Keeping my Child/Youth Active this Winter
- \*TDSB Resources for Mental Health and Well-Being

## Important Reminders from our Rolph Road Office

The office is open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, however, the response time for phone calls or emails may be delayed depending on what we are managing. As a reminder, like many other TDSB schools Rolph Road does not have a school secretary. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.

Our office is constantly busy and Ms. Furxhi may be occupied supporting a child who has come to the office with an injury, or answering the buzzer at Door 1, supporting staff, or speaking with Board visitors in the office, etc.,

We ask that you please always copy Ms. Furxhi ([Soniela.Furxhi@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Soniela.Furxhi@tdsb.on.ca)) on emails to teachers about arrangements to pick up your child(ren) early. Always schedule your pick-up time before or after recess as we do not have extra staff to send outside to look for your child during the recess period. Ms. Themeliopoulos will be in the main office when Ms. Furxhi is on lunch.

Our Rolph Road [School Fact Sheet](#) includes bell times and recess periods for your reference.

Please continue to report absences for the current day, future date, or multiple dates **by calling the Toll-Free Safe Arrival Number: 1-833-250-2290**

You may also download the user-friendly → [SchoolMessenger Safe Arrival App](#)

## Kindergarten Registration for September 2025

Kindergarten Registration at the TDSB is underway and we thank you if you have already started the registration process. Please encourage friends and neighbours to also register as soon as possible.

Families may register their child online using the Online Registration System (OLR) at [www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten) to begin the registration process.

Answers to Kindergarten Frequently Asked Questions are available [HERE](#).

Ms. Furxhi will review online submissions and will contact families in the coming weeks to schedule an in-person appointment to review documents and complete the registration process. Walk-in appointments are not possible currently as we do not have a school secretary.

All families who register their child for September 2025 will also be invited to attend an in-person Kindergarten Orientation session in late May or early June. *The date has yet to be finalized.*

# Mental Health and Well-being

Families are invited to access resources via the TDSB website [HERE](#) and learn about the supports provided by TDSB Mental Health and Well Being Professional Support Staff (PSS).

## Virtual Drop-In Hours: Pathways To Care For Mental Health

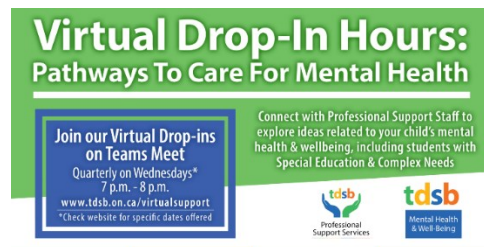
Virtual Drop-In Hours will be quarterly on dates provided for all Parents, Guardians & Caregivers with students at TDSB, including students with Special Education/Complex Needs are welcome, for this 2024-2025 school year.

Please see the remaining dates below and read more about the topics to be discussed [HERE](#).

January 15, 2025

March 19, 2025

May 21, 2025



- January 16 – SST Meetings (\*Afternoon)
- January 17 – PA Day (Assessment and Reporting)
- January 22 – School Council Meeting (\*Hybrid – Library/Virtual)
- January 29 – Lunar New Year (\*Year of the Snake)
- February 07 – Grade 4/5 field trip to Queen’s Park (Room 23)
- February 11 – Toronto Symphony Orchestra field trip (PM) for all Kindergarten and Grade 3 students. Concert: “Hot! Hot! Hot! Calypso, Cumbia & More”
- February 13 – TSO field trip (AM) for all Grade 1 & Grade 2 students. Concert: “Hot! Hot! Hot! Calypso, Cumbia & More”
- May 02 – TSO field trip (AM) for all students in Grades 4-6. Concert: Experience the evocative culture of Indigenous peoples of Canada in *Adizokan*.
- June 18 – **Grade 6 Graduation in the Gymnasium and Front Yard**



## Rolph Road School Council and Home & School Association

### **Reminder: Rolph Road Home School Play Registration**

*Please refer to emails sent home from Class Representative Parent Volunteers and from the office regarding Registration.*

- Registration is open to students in Grades 1-6. Grades 1 - 3 are invited to join our ensemble and will only attend practices on a rotating basis. Grades 4 - 6 are invited to audition for roles.
  - Registration opened Thursday January 9th at 8pm and closes Friday January 10th at 8pm, or when we reach our 60-student capacity
  - To register, fill out the attached form (refer to the body of the email sent by Ms. Themeliopoulos with the school newsletter) and email it to [rolphroad.drama@gmail.com](mailto:rolphroad.drama@gmail.com)
  - Emails/forms received before 8pm on Thursday will not be considered submitted
  - The first 60 students to send in their completed registration form will be given a role in the play - it will be on first come, first served basis
  - Registration confirmation or waitlisted students will be notified no later than Saturday
- Rolph Road would like to recognize its generous Title Sponsor of this year's Play: Mathnasium  
This year in partnership with Stagecoach Rolph Road will be producing "Frozen"  
See link for registration forms and information: [Rolph Road Home and School Website](#)

### **Reminder: After the Bell Programs Continue at Rolph**

As a reminder After the Bell programs start up next week at Rolph Road. After the Bell Programs run Mondays and Wednesdays 3:15-4:30 pm. Information is available [HERE](#)

### **Pizza Lunches Coming Soon**

Registration for Pizza Lunches will launch next week. Pizza Lunches will run February to June 2025. Stay tuned for ordering instructions.

### **Reminder: Hot Dog/Hamburger Combo Days**

Hot Dog/Hamburger combo days continue! [Kids Catering](#) is ready for your orders - order a hot dog/hamburger combo delivered right to your kid's classroom. What's exciting about the combo days is that they fundraise for Rolph Road!

\$2.00 from each lunch goes back to the RR Home and School Association. The first combo date on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> was very successful. Don't miss out! Sign up via the Kids Catering link.

[Place your bonus combo day orders](#) today and help us make a difference!



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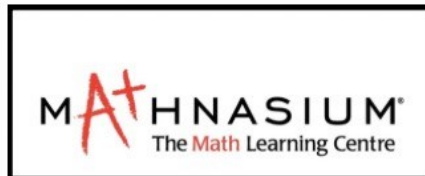
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