



Rolph Road ES Newsletter

September 06, 2024

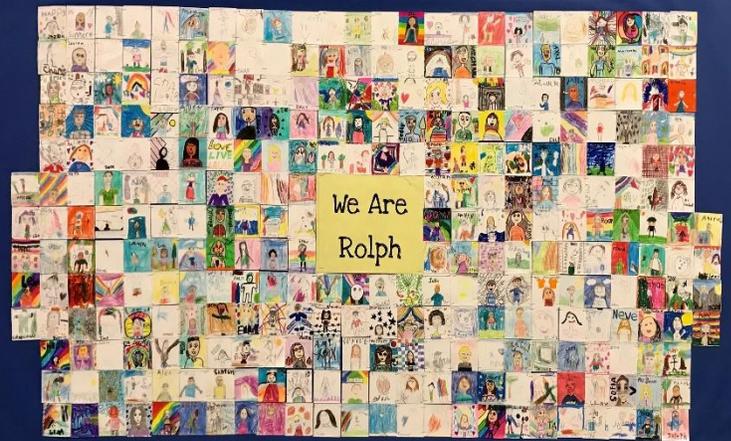
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Acting Trustee for Ward 11: Shelley Laskin

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Principal: Frances Themeliopoulos

Office Administrator: Anna Ivans



Welcome our 2024-2025 new and returning Staff Members and Professional Support Services SST Team Members

Mr. Thomas Chase
Ms. Nikol Doufexis
Ms. Kelly Endert
Ms. Ildiko Hart
Ms. Aki Miller
Ms. Dale Morris
Ms. Funke Omotayo-Lawal

Head Caretaker
Permanent Lunchroom Supervisor (LRS)
English Language Learner (ELL) & Music Teacher
Permanent Lunchroom Supervisor (LRS)
Early Childhood Educator (ECE)
Kindergarten (JK/SK) Teacher
Special Needs Assistant (SNA)

Ms. Mira El-Irani
Ms. Sev Gucbilmez
Ms. Patty McIntyre
Ms. Shelly Moretti

TDSB Speech-Language Pathologist
TDSB Special Education Inclusion Consultant
TDSB Social Worker
TDSB Psychologist

Welcome to our Student ECEs from George Brown College

We are fortunate to be hosting Designated Early Childhood Educator candidates from George Brown College in each of our Kindergarten classrooms on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from Tuesday September 3 to Friday October 18.

We thank our ECE candidates for joining our team and for contributing to a wonderful start to the school year for our youngest learners.

Ms. Huijeong Joo in Room 2 with Ms. Stefanoff and Ms. Maureen.
Ms. Jayun Park in Room 8 with Mr. Sauve and Ms. Miller
Ms. Alana Surge will soon begin her placement in Room 9 with Ms. Morris and Ms. Pollyann.



- September 10 – Lice Check with the Lice Squad in the afternoon.
- September 12 – School Support Team (SST) Meetings in the afternoon.
- September 12 – Welcome Back Pizza event organized by Home & School
- September 13 – Kindie Coffee in the Park organized by Home & School
- September 16 – Hot Lunch Program begins.
- September 16 – After School Fall Programs begin.
- September 25 – Curriculum Night 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- September 25 – Annual School Council AGM at 7:00 pm following Curriculum Night.
- September 26 – Terry Fox Run
- September 27 – **No school for students.** Professional Development Day (Elementary Teachers)
- October 01 – Schoolyard Revitalization Committee Update Meeting
- October 04 – Parent Social – House Crawl
- October 09 – Photo Day with Brightpics
- October 18 – Wenjack Walk
- October 23-25 – Grade 6 overnight trip to Sheldon Valley
- October 25 – Annual Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser

Facility Improvements at Rolph Road

We are thankful to all contributing TDSB Facility Services team members, our previous Facility Team Leader, Shelly Maki, our new Facility Team Leader, Nathan Antrobus, and our caretaking staff for their work over the summer and their support with the completion of additional improvements at our school.

I have been working with Facility Services to schedule many improvements since I arrived at Rolph Road in July of 2022. The work over the summer to refresh the only Grade 1-6 student washrooms (downstairs on the mezzanine level) is almost complete. We are expecting the new sink for the girls washroom to be installed soon, after school hours. We are also awaiting light ballast repairs in both the boys and girls washrooms. Students are very happy with the refreshed washrooms and are helping to keep the very busy spaces tidy.

I am also happy to share that old carpeting has been removed and we have new tile flooring in another classroom – Room 4 on the main floor. I will continue to provide updates about improvements in our school throughout the year.

Safety Reminders – Please review with your child(ren)

We remind all parents/guardians/caregivers to please not let your child(ren) walk or run across the parking lot unescorted when you are dropping off to Rolph Road Daycare.

The paved path that leads to Door 2 (north side) is the best route to walk along.

This reminder is being shared again because we have again had reports of drivers having to stop suddenly because a child was walking through the parking lot, unaware of a nearby moving vehicle.

Our Rolph Road team is counting on parents/guardians/caregivers to reinforce this message to children.

Limited Parking in our Parking Lot

We have a limited number of parking spaces in the Parking Lot, and we ask that you please park on the street **if you are arriving after 8:00 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, attend meetings, etc.,

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Curriculum Night at Rolph Road on September 25th



We will be welcoming families (adults only) for in-person curriculum presentations from 5:30 to 6:30 pm on Wednesday September 25th.

More information will follow in next week's newsletter.

Please note that the School Council Annual General Meeting will be on the same evening, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

Rolph Road ES supports the Terry Fox Foundation

We are excited to announce that Rolph Road ES will again proudly take part in the Terry Fox School Run. This year's run is scheduled on Thursday September 26th.

This event will support Cancer Research while also building incredible school spirit for our students. Let's show our entire community's support for one of our greatest Canadian heroes, Terry Fox.

Donate online to our school page if you are able: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/68081>

We appreciate your support!

Many thanks to all Rolph Road staff members and families for helping to keep Terry's dream alive. We will once again need parent/guardian/caregiver volunteer support on the afternoon of our Run; more details will follow closer to September 26th.

Thank you to our RR Terry Fox Committee members, Adam Jonsohn, Rahima Nulla, Alex Stefanoff, and Cori Swan for their leadership.





Rolph Road School Council and Home & School Association

Welcome Back Pizza Night is this coming Thursday!

Home & School invites all families to join us for free Pizza and Freezies in the Rolph Road school yard. Please bring your own water bottle for beverages.

Date: Thursday September 12th

Time: 5:00 to 6:30 pm.

We are also looking for volunteers to help distribute pizza etc.

Please sign up [HERE](#) to help out. Thank you!

Parent Volunteer Opportunity: Class Reps Needed

Rolph Road is looking for parents to volunteer as 'Class Rep' for their child's classroom. The purpose of this role is to liaise with the teacher, Home & School Council on behalf of the rest of the parents in your class.

Class Reps support teachers to plan class events and coordinate class contributions. They must attend Home & School Council meetings (which occur a few times per year) and cascade information back to parents. They are also responsible for updating and managing the email contact lists, managing ongoing communication among the class and support families navigating Rolph Road when questions or concerns arise.

Positions are filled on a first come, first served basis so please sign up as soon as possible.

Use the following link: [2024/2025 Class Reps](#) to easily sign up for a position.

Or insert the following into your web browser:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F45ACAF2AA0FF2-51226524-20242025>



Reminders for all Families

Ms. Themeliopoulos shared communication about the **2024-25 Hot Lunch Program** with all families via email on Tuesday September 3, 2024.

Please search your email for the subject: *** KIDS CATERING SIGN UP INFORMATION ***

The flyer with information about how to sign up is also linked [HERE](#).

The first day of hot lunch is Monday September 16, 2024.

Ms. Themeliopoulos shared communication about the **2024-25 After School Programs** with all families via email on Friday September 6, 2024.

Please search your email for the subject: **Home & School Communication: After-School Programs**

The flyers are also linked for you below:

[2024-25 After School Programs Gr. 4-6 - Canadian Contemporary School of Art](#)

[2024-25 After School Programs \(K-Gr. 6\) - ExtraEd Flyer](#)

Home and School Home & School would like to communicate with you directly throughout the school year to share information about parent socials, school events, and more.

Ms. Themeliopoulos sent an email to all families about how to join the Home & School email distribution list on Friday September 6, 2024.

Please search your email for the subject: **PLEASE REVIEW: Home & School Sign Up**



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