



Roywood News Online #21

Sunday, February 4th, 2024

Click on the image to access our
Website and Twitter page.

Appreciation

Thank you to the whole school community who were able to make it out to the first Roywood Snuggle Up & Read school event in the library. A big thank you to Mrs. Bossert for providing us with a super engaging and exciting read aloud with audience participation. Thank you to the Roywood Community Support Worker - Yetunde for liaising with the Toronto Public Library and inviting our Ward 14 Trustee - Farzana Rajwani to the event. Thank you to our School Council Family volunteers who sold snacks and welcomed families as they arrived to the event on Tuesday night! It was a wonderful event and we can not wait to host more events as the year continues!



Upcoming Events

Please welcome Penny Kanellos-Mavraganis from Feb. 8th - 15th who will be covering for Mrs. Pegg during this time!

Thank you Mrs. Kanellos-Mavraganis and WELCOME BACK to Roywood PS!

- Feb. 6th - School Council Advisory Meeting (all voices welcome and encouraged to attend)
- Feb. 7th - Winter Walk/Roll Day (take some time to walk/roll outside!)
- Feb. 8th - Cookie Thursday - \$2.00 a cookie (oatmeal, funfetti & double chocolate available)
- Feb. 13th - Term 1 Report Cards and Communication of Learning Home to Families
- Feb. 15th - Cookie Thursday - \$2.00 a cookie (oatmeal, funfetti & double chocolate available)
- Feb. 15th - Family/Educator Conferences - evening
- Feb. 16th - P.A. Day (no school for students)
- Feb. 16th - Family/Educator Conferences - morning
- Feb. 19th - Family Day Holiday (school is closed)
- Feb. 22nd - Cookie Thursday - \$2.00 a cookie (oatmeal, funfetti & double chocolate available)

The school bell rings at 8:40am! Please make sure to be at school on time as a lot of literacy and numeracy lessons are taught in the morning. If your child is going to be late or absent from school at any time, please call Mrs. De Silva in the office to let her know or leave a message on the school answering machine.

School News

Kindergarten Registration Has Opened for 2024/2025!



Welcome to
KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten registration has opened up for the 2024/2024 school year!

Children who will be four by December 31, 2024, can start Junior Kindergarten in September 2024.

Please click the link to get more information on how to register your child today:

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears/KindergartenMonth>



It is sick season!

Please keep children home if they have any COVID-19 or RSV symptoms. Please use this questionnaire to help determine next steps for yourself or your child.

At Roywood, we are committed to keeping all students as healthy as possible and ask that you do not send your children to school when they are sick.

At school, if we notice any symptoms we will be calling home to discuss with a family member.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



Stay Home if You Have Symptoms

Screen yourself/your child for COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses using this questionnaire. If you answer YES to any of the questions, stay home and follow guidance provided.

September 1, 2023

1. Do you have any of these new or worsening symptoms? ☐ Yes ☐ No

A) One or more:



Fever $\geq 38^{\circ}\text{C}$ and/or chills



Cough



Sore throat



Headache



Feeling very tired



Trouble breathing



Decrease or loss of taste/smell



Runny nose/nasal congestion



Muscle aches/joint pain



Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea

B) Two or more:

2. Have you tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 10 days and have symptom(s)? ☐ Yes ☐ No



If "YES" to Q.1 or 2 Stay home (self-isolate)



Follow extra measures

3. Do you have only one symptom from 1(B) OR any of the following new or worsening symptoms?*

• Abdominal pain • Pink eye • Decreased or no appetite ☐ Yes ☐ No



If "YES" Stay home until your symptom(s) is improving for 24 hours (48 hours for nausea/vomiting/diarrhea) and you do not have any new symptoms

Stay home (self-isolate) if you are sick:

Stay home until you have no fever and your symptoms are improving for at least 24 hours (or 48 hours if nausea/vomiting/diarrhea).

Anyone who is feeling sick or has any new or worsening symptoms of illness, including those not listed, stay home until symptoms are improving and seek assessment if needed.

Follow extra measures: For 10 days after the start of symptoms:



Wear a well-fitted mask in all public settings (including schools/child care, unless <2 years of age).



Avoid non-essential activities where you take off your mask (e.g., playing an instrument in music class or during sports or dining out).



Do not visit people or settings (e.g. hospitals, long-term care homes) at higher risk, including where there are seniors or those who are immunocompromised.

This tool is consistent with [provincial self-assessment tool](#).

*If the symptom is from a known health condition that gives you the symptom, select "No." If the symptom is new, different or getting worse, select "Yes." If there is mild tiredness, sore muscles or joints within 48 hours after a COVID-19 or flu vaccine, select "No."



Cookie Thursday YUM!

This week we will have our cookie fundraiser on Thursday, February 8th.

This week's cookies are:

1. Fudge Chip DeLite
2. Oatmeal DeLite
3. Funfetti DeLite

Individual cookies will be sold for \$2.00 each!

All proceeds from this cookie sale will go towards purchasing new computers for the



Fudge Chip DeLite *

Oatmeal DeLite *

Funfetti DeLite*

For cookie ingredients, please use the link below:

<https://terraccottacookies.com/school-cookie-program/cookie-ingredients/>

School CashOnline - ACTION ITEM

Roywood PS is going CASHLESS. Please take some time to create an account in School CashOnline to be able to pay for field trips, lunches, spirit wear and any other school items while you are at Roywood PS.

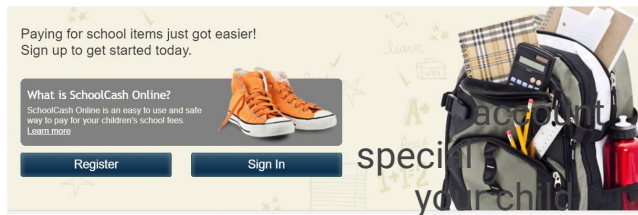
All of the TDSB is moving towards becoming cashless schools so that children do not have to bring money to school (with the chance of it getting lost), schools do not have to hold a lot of money (with a chance of it getting lost) and to keep up with the ever changing times of the world.

Please use the following link to create your account today!

School Cash Online Links:

<https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>

[School Cash Online - Sign Up Instructions](#)



MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY



THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

5 Make time to have a friendly chat with a neighbour

6 Get back in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while

7 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others

8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust

9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you

10 Look for good in others, particularly when you feel frustrated with them

11 Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost

12 Focus on being kind rather than being right

13 Smile at the people you see and brighten their day

14 Tell a loved one or friend why they are special to you

15 Support a local business with a positive online review or friendly message

16 Check in on someone who may be struggling and offer to help

17 Appreciate the good qualities of someone in your life

18 Respond kindly to everyone you talk to today, including yourself

19 Share something you find inspiring, helpful or amusing

20 Make a plan to connect with others and do something fun

21 Really listen to what people say, without judging them

22 Give sincere compliments to people you talk to today

23 Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise

24 Tell a loved one about the strengths that you see in them

25 Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why

26 Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones

27 Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them

28 Give positive comments to as many people as possible today

29 Acknowledge someone's problem or pain rather than trying to fix it



Follow along with us this Friendly February month.

Try as many FRIENDLY activities as you can with family!

Are you interested in attending a school outside of your designated zone? Applications for Out-of-Area Admissions are currently being accepted. Please note that acceptance is based on space availability and program suitability. Find your school: bit.ly/3XS7ExL



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Elementary Key Dates:

Online application form is open from **January 8 to January 31, 2024 at 4 p.m.**

Round 1:

Families to be informed of the status of the application on **Monday, February 26, 2024.**

Families must confirm acceptance of the offer by **Thursday, February 29 at 4 p.m.**

Round 2:

Families to be informed of the status of the application on **Friday March 1, 2024.**

Families must confirm acceptance of the offer by **Wednesday, March 6 at 4 p.m.**

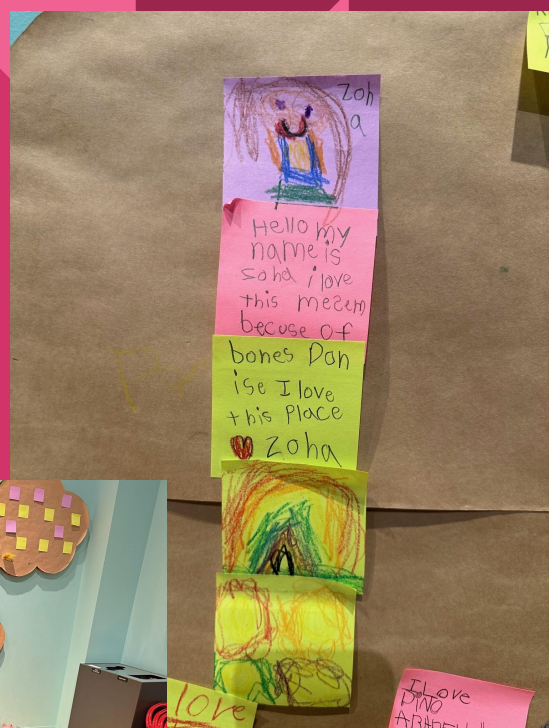
All waitlists expire on March 1, 2024.



This Week @ Roywood PS

Mrs. Kumar and Ms. Balkaran's classes went to the ROM this past week. The students and the family volunteers all had a wonderful time. Take a look at some of what they saw at the museum.





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Jacqueline Samuels @TechTeacherJSam · 23h

3D Shape creation in kindergarten.



@TDSB_RoywoodPS



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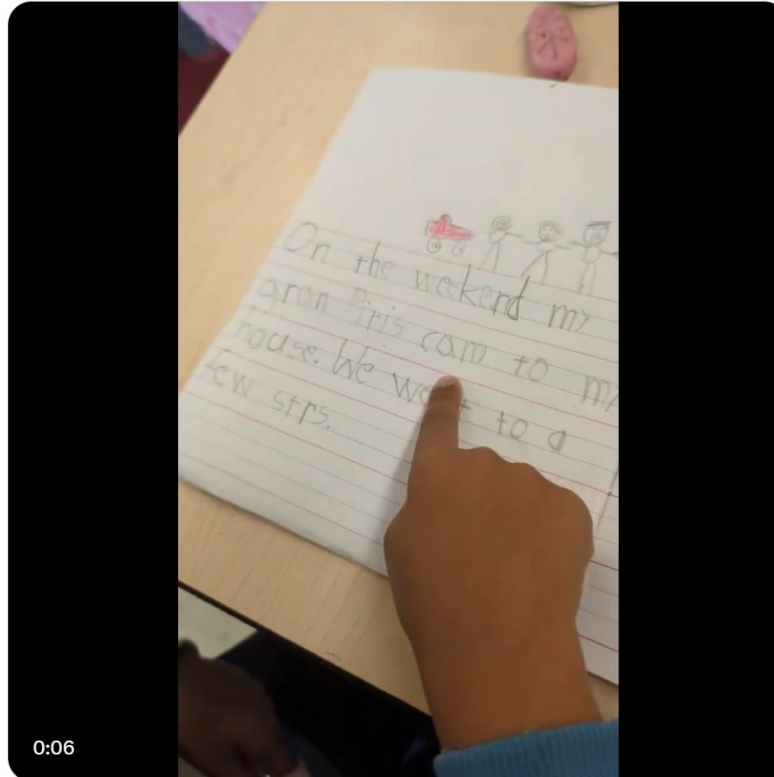


Jacqueline Samuels @TechTeacherJSam · Jan 31

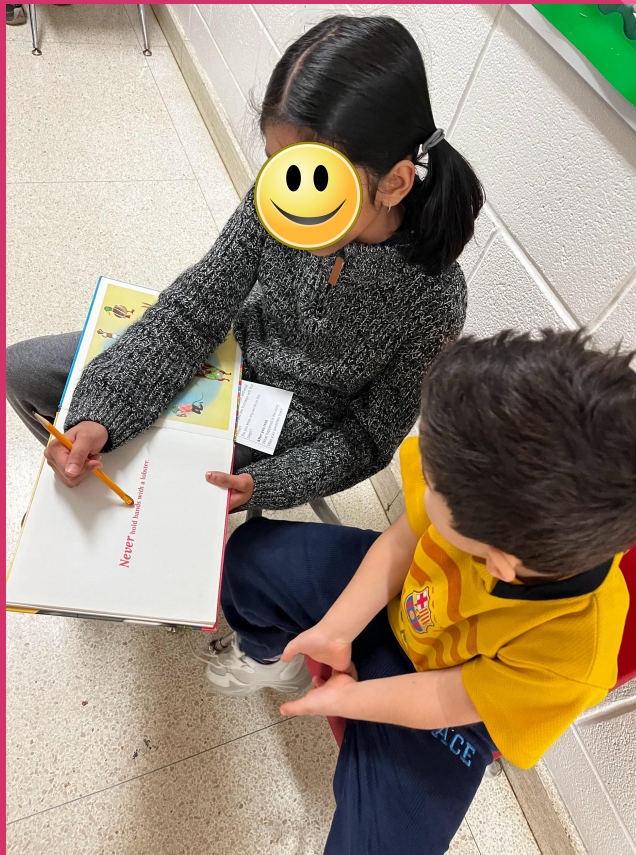
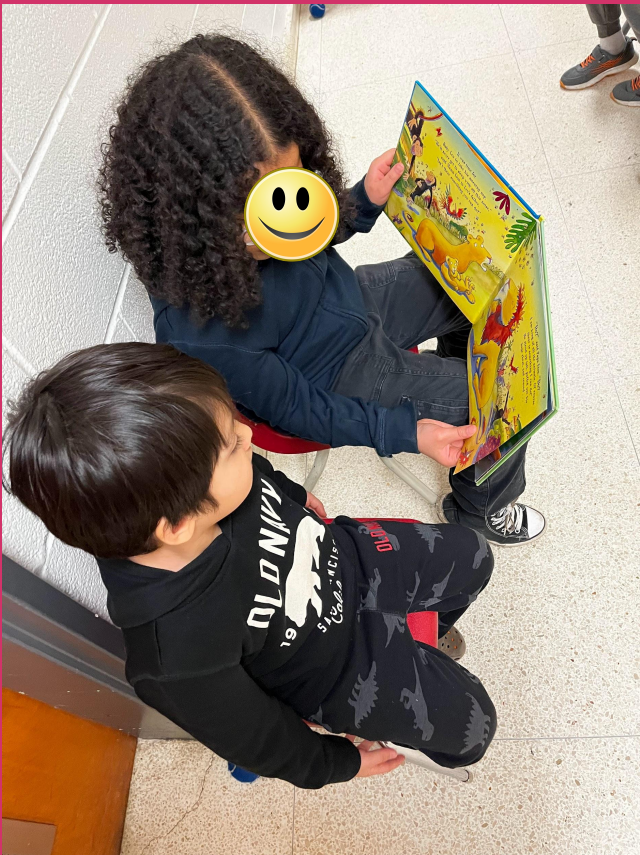
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Early writing in kindergarten. This once timid writer has gained so much confidence to write when he was encouraged not to worry about mistakes and sound out words. He used the word wall and [#inventivespelling](#) to write independently.

[#earlywriters](#) [#kindergarten](#) @TDSB_RoywoodPS



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The Grade 5 students have taken on leadership roles within the Kindergarten classes and support reading. The big kids love reading to the little kids! There are always smiles seen and giggles heard when they are partnered up!



The Snuggle Up & Read event was a huge success. We saw SO MANY families at the event! Thank you to Mrs. Bossert for the very entertaining read aloud!!! Prizes were also won by so many! Keep on reading friends! Keep on reading!!!



The Power of

YET

I don't know ...YET

This doesn't work ...YET

I don't understand this ...YET

This doesn't make sense ...YET

I'm not good at this ...YET

I can't do this ...YET

I don't get it ...YET



Continued Learning for All

Students, Families & Staff

School Improvement Planning @ Roywood PS

Literacy Goal:

Through a structured literacy approach in Kindergarten to Grade 1 and a deeper application of the comprehensive literacy program in Grades 2-5, the students of Roywood will develop their confidence in decoding and comprehending texts at or above their expected grade level. We will focus on the most underserved students. Teachers will learn how to use phonological and phonemic screeners to develop instruction based on early reading needs. We will monitor three times a year using DRA and ongoing running records.

Math Goal:

By implementing evidence based numeracy strategies (high-impact instructional practices), we will improve student engagement, learning, and attitudes towards math. To accomplish this, we will support teachers to make instructional choices that help to eliminate disproportionate outcomes and to interrupt oppressive practices (e.g. provide explicit needs-based professional learning opportunities such as "Building Foundational Math Skills in the Early Years" and "Building Thinking Classrooms in Mathematics Through an Anti-Oppressive Lens", work with Math Learning Partner, etc.)



Community News

Dear Families,

The EarlyON drop-in program is open to families with children from 0 months to 6 years of age. Visit the centre to play with your little treasures and to meet with other families.



Everyone Is Welcome!



Roywood EarlyON Contact Info:
Phone: 416-395-2830
Mon. to Fri. 8:30am - 12:00pm

**Early
ON**
Child and Family Centre

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILDREN WITH MATH

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKERS INVITE YOU TO
JOIN AS WE EXPLORE A VARIETY OF FREE TVO
DIGITAL LEARNING RESOURCES THAT CAN
SUPPORT K-12 STUDENTS IN MATH AT HOME**

**THIS VIRTUAL SESSION WILL BE HELD
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6 AT 6:30 – 7:30 PM**

To Register



OR



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TVO Math Resources for students K-12 Workshop. This workshop is designed for parents/caregivers and focuses on virtual resources that supports children and youth with math. **February 6, 6:30-7:30pm.**

Register here:

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/95345649968?pwd=ck5ubzR4Sjk5MmVacGJtR2xGamdYQT0>

Inviting all **tdsb** K-Gr.8
parents and caregivers to

BUILDING MATHEMATICAL MINDS (PART 1)

Supporting Your Child in Acquiring
Math Skills For Success

**Wednesday, February 7
6:30-8:00pm (on Zoom)**

Session Overview:

Come join us as we discuss strategies to improve your child's math grades by understanding how they are learning math and how to better help them with their homework.

Presenters:

Lisa Dilworth (Systems Superintendent Mathematics),
Jason To (Coordinator, Secondary Mathematics and Academic Pathways), Onika Brown (Principal),
Simon Mgaya (Vice-Principal), Jamile Lewis (Math Learning Partner), Gail Bedeau, Uloma Onyido,
Mubarak Baker (School Improvement Process Coach), Laurel Moulard (French Teacher)



3 Ways to Register

3. Scan QR Code

1. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

2. VISIT bit.ly/buildmathminds2024



For more information:

Contact Donna Cardoza
TDSB LC3 Community Support Worker

647-403-5821
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The Building Mathematical Minds virtual presentation will provide parents/caregivers with strategies to make learning math at home a positive experience for everyone. Parents/caregivers will be able to understand the math their children are learning at school, learn different ways to approach a math problem, and feel more confident in supporting their children with their homework. **Building Mathematical Minds Part 1 Wednesday, February 7th 2024, at 6:30 p.m.**

Please register here:

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYrdeuorjwvHtGW-xa2tD1EuzlZEmGCYPW3#/registration>

February 7th is Winter Walk/Roll Day!

Take some time outside to get fresh air and some activity during the winter month!



Winter Walk Day

This month's character trait is FAIRNESS!

We will be celebrating it all month!

Take a look at this video with your child and see what it means to be fair!



Connecting with the School

Office Hours 8:00am - 4:00pm

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