

# ROYWOOD SCHOOL



## Roywood News Online #22


Sunday, February 26th, 2023

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

# Appreciation

Thank you to Mrs. Ataalla who has been working in the office for the past few weeks. We have appreciated her kindness and caring for students, family and staff. We wish her the best of luck and know that we will see her again in the near future!

Roywood would like to welcome Mrs. Dilia Khafizova who has accepted the Acting Office Administrator position. When you call into the school, come to the front door or get calls about attendance, it will be from Mrs. Khafizova! I know that you will all give her a warm welcome as well :)



Thank You!



# Upcoming Events/Significant Days of the Year

- Mar. 6th - Telus Wise Internet Safety Presentation for Families @ 6:00pm - Zoom
- Mar. 9th - Holland Bloorview Imagine Everyone Presentations about Inclusivity
- Mar. 9th - Ward 14 Forum for all Families @ Gateway PS - 6:30pm-8:00pm
- March Break - Mar. 13-11 - Schools Closed
- Apr. 7th - Good Friday Holiday - Schools Closed
- Apr. 10th - Easter Monday Holiday - Schools Closed



# School News

**SUPPORTING CHILDREN ONLINE**

**ROYWOOD PS**

**PRESENTS**

**Parenting in the Digital Age  
Virtual Workshop**

Learn how to  
keep your child  
safe online



screen  
time

**GAME  
OVER**



Learn tips & strategies to manage your child's digital media use

Topics Include:

Screen Time/Gaming/ Sexting/ Cyberbullying/ and more

Session is provided by **Telus Wise**

**Pre-registration is required**

**Wednesday, March 8, 6PM**

**REGISTER NOW >**

Zoom link will be provided once registered



Any Question? Please Contact: Yetunde Olowokere: yetunde.olowokere@tdsb.on.ca

# Parenting in the Digital Age Virtual Workshop

Please join us in this virtual workshop around supporting your children online on March 8th from 6pm-7pm.

Pre-registration is required. Please click on the flyer to register!  
Looking forward to seeing everyone there!

# Parking



Please be advised that morning parking at the school can be quite busy. Please make sure that you are not double parking in the school lot, especially along the side when entering the parking lot.

**In the round-about, please do not park on the little laneway (driveway) that leads up to the tennis courts. This is city of Toronto property and they have been around to give cars parking tickets in this area.**

Also, please leave the accessible parking spaces open at the school as we have many families that need to use these spots for drop off and pick up of their children.

Thank you for your support in this matter!



# Special Lunches are COMING!!!

We are looking at bringing back special lunches for students. We are hoping to partner with Pita Pit and Pizza Express to offer two different types of special lunches. **Special lunches will ordered through School CashOnline - please see the next page for information on how to register your child if you haven't already done so.** If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pegg.

We are looking for a team of volunteers to who are willing to help organize orders and supplies before the special lunch day and who are willing to help hand out the special lunch to students during the special lunch day.

If you are interested, please send an email to Mrs. Pegg :)

Thank you for your support!



# School CashOnline - ACTION ITEM

Roywood PS will be going CASHLESS next school year. Please take some time to create an account in School CashOnline to be able to pay for field trips, special lunches, spirit wear and any other school items while your child is 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! **Roywood has 65% of our school signed up...which means that 105 of our 165 students have been registered! Let's make it 100%!!**

## School Cash Online Links:

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

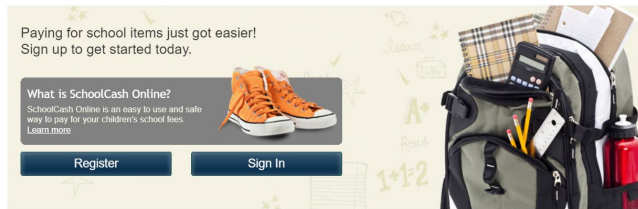
[School Cash Online - Sign Up Instructions](#)

SchoolCash Online



Toronto District School Board

**IMPORTANT:** Please click [here](#) to read information from the Toronto District School Board regarding the collection of your personal information.







This Week @ Roywood PS

# Junior Basketball Tournament

Mr. Ticmanis and Mr. Ho and the Junior Basketball team travelled to Norman Ingram PS on Monday, February 27th to participate in a tournament. The tournament consisted of four other TDSB schools. The team won all of their played games and came out on top as the champions! We want to congratulate all the players on the Basketball Team! We want to thank Mr. Ticmanis and Mr. Ho for taking the time to practice with the team that helped to lead to their success! A fun time was had by all!!!



Junior Basketball Team  
in action. D goes up for  
a shot to score two  
points!!

Look at that jump!!!



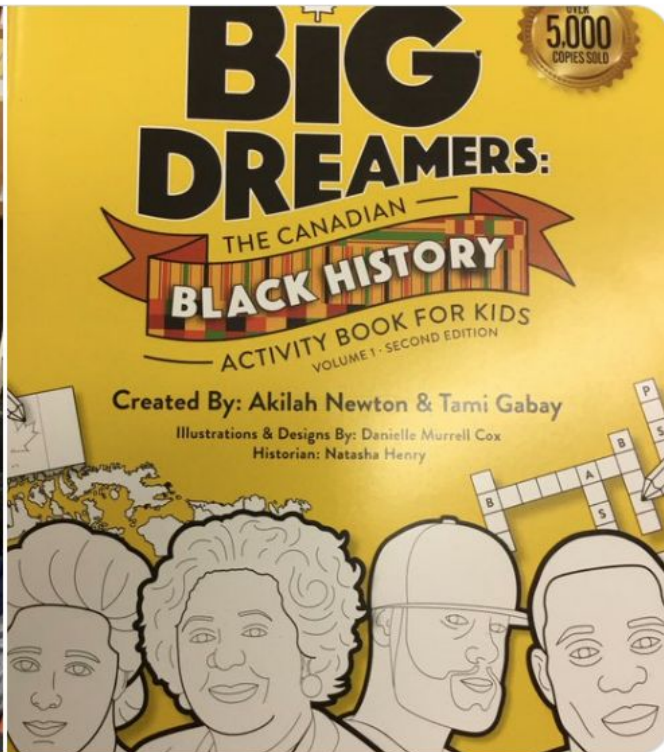
Serious Faces!



Silly Faces!



In February we celebrate Black History. I'm so excited to be the winner of the @ElemTeachersTO book draw! Today we spoke about the bravery of Viola Desmond. Students had many questions and comments.  
#BlackHistoryMonth @TDSB\_RoywoodPS @LC2\_TDSB



From Mrs. Samuels and Ms. Elmira's class! Students have been learning about Black Canadian History.

# Peer Leadership Group

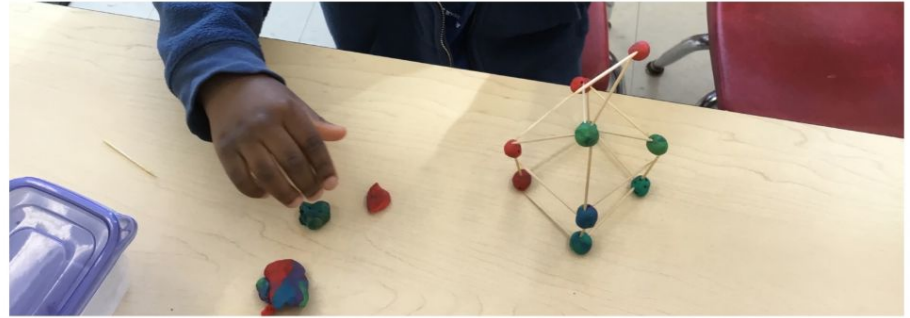
Today was the first meeting of the Girls Peer Leadership group. Each Tuesday the junior girls will be meeting with our school Toronto Public Health Nurse, Roywood staff and our Community Support Worker to learn about different topics. Today the group discussed ideas around self-image and self-esteem. They also talked about ideas around bullying and what that looks like, sounds like and feels like. We are all excited for the second session!



# More kindergarten fun!

Students are using different materials in class to create 3D shape models. They are also sorting and grouping 3D shape items cut from magazines.

[#3dshapes](#) [@TDSB\\_RoywoodPS](#) [#mathisfun](#)





# Continued Learning for All

Students, Families & Staff



# School Improvement Planning @ Roywood PS

The primary staff at Roywood PS have been working and learning together with the school Speech & Language Pathologist on the topic of the Science of Reading and early literacy skills.

Staff have been:

- Working on letter and sound recognition with students
- Working on hearing sounds and recording sounds with students
- Breaking words into syllables to help with reading and writing skills

The junior staff at Roywood PS have been working and learning together with the school Social Worker on the topic of Building Positive Relationships.

Staff have been:

- Planning and engaging in a 7 week program to give students skills to problem solve and vocabulary to speak in a more positive way with each other
- Working with Toronto Public Health to develop a Girls Peer Leadership group to be run at lunch time for 8 weekly sessions

# School Improvement Planning @ Roywood PS

We are focusing on including more student voice into classroom programming and throughout the school. Some of the ways that we are doing this is through:

- Offering student choice in presentation formats
- Virtual announcements each day with students included
- Sharing resources and books that are representative of the Roywood school community
- Listening to using student opinion on intramural ideas, graduation ideas, classroom setup, etc.
- And more...

We are also focusing on classroom environment to help us use the walls in our classrooms as a third teacher. Some of the ways that we are doing this is through:

- Learning goals and success criteria posted on walls for students to know and understand
- Creating print rich environments for students to learn from
- Including many faces and images of people from many different cultural backgrounds
- And more...

# Community News

# Trustee Rajwani - Ward Forum

## Gateway PS (Library)



**Trustee Farzana Rajwani**

Ward 14, Don Valley East

### First Ward Forum for Don Valley East

Thursday, March 9, 2023, From 6:30 – 8:00 pm

A Ward Forum is a meeting of parents, school community, Trustee and Board staff of schools in a ward. Join Trustee Farzana Rajwani and your local Superintendents of Education as we meet for our first Ward Forum.

Gateway Public School  
(Library)

[55 Gateway Blvd](#)  
[North York, ON M3C 1B4](#)



### Election for PIAC and FSLCAC Representatives

We will be electing Co-Representatives for both TDSB Parent Involvement Advisory Committee PIAC and French as a Second Language Community Advisory Committee FSLCAC.

Parents/Caregivers interested in becoming PIAC & FSLCAC Representative must complete the **Nomination Form: [Ward 14 PIAC and FSLCAC Nomination form](#)**  
(<https://forms.gle/maeENfS6NyfKVwu37>)

**No nominations will be taken from the floor at the meeting.**

If you are interested in participating for this election and vote, you must complete Ward 14 Voter  
<https://forms.gle/P1XNTkDJKrdPezC6>

**Light refreshments will be served.**  
**Child Care available.**

### Ward 14 Schools

Broadlands Public School, Cassandra Public School, Don Mills Middle School, Donview Middle Health and Wellness Academy, Fenside Public School, Gateway Public School, Greenland Public School, Grenoble Public School, Milne Valley Middle School, Norman Ingram Public School, Ranchdale Public School, Rene Gordon Health and Wellness Academy, Roywood Public School, Sloane Public School, Three Valleys Public School, Valley Park Middle School, Victoria Village Public School, Don Mills Collegiate Institute, George S Henry Academy, Victoria Park Collegiate Institute



**Farzana Rajwani**

Trustee, Ward 14, Don Valley East

Tel: 416-395-8787 E-mail: [Farzana.Rajwani@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Farzana.Rajwani@tdsb.on.ca)



*presents*

## Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Session #2

**Wednesday, March 1, 2023 from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

**LC2 and LC3**

If you require a language interpreter, please send in your request by Mon., Feb. 20th to  
[SpecialEd@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:SpecialEd@tdsb.on.ca).

### **Learn about Special Education and Inclusion**

- Identification, Placement, and Review Committee (IPRC) reviews
- Transitions

#### **Zoom link:**

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/95697626842>

For any concerns around personal accommodation, please contact

[SpecialEd@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:SpecialEd@tdsb.on.ca)

**tdsb**.on.ca

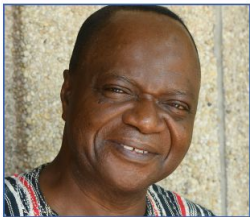
# Acknowledging International Decade for People of African Descent

## *Panel Conversation*

### African Indigenous Spirituality and Healing

Join us for this enriching panel exploring Africentricity and Spirituality rooted within African-centred practices.

#### Panelists:



Dr. George J.S. Dei



Dr. Ama Mazama



Dr. Njoki Wane

DATE: MARCH 1, 2023  
TIME: 6:30 – 8PM

REGISTER HERE:  
<http://bit.ly/3IVGAA6>



Click on the flyer to  
access information  
about the panel  
conversation around  
African Indigenous  
Spirituality and  
Healing.

## Identifying Hearing Challenges in Young Children by Kids2Hear

Tuesday, March 7th, 2023  
5:30-6:30pm



**Register  
to attend:**

<https://forms.gle/CR5bqB3duUvHxAxt9>



**Join us to learn more!**

We will be discussing the basics of hearing challenges in children aged 0-6 years, including common signs to look out for and the basic principles of management.

### **About Kids2Hear**

*Kids2Hear is a UoT health initiative that screens elementary schoolchildren for hearing loss.*



Click on the flyer to access information about the session on Identifying Hearing Challenges in Young Children by Kids2Hear.

## TDSB's Parent and Community Engagement Office (PCEO)

Did you know?

The PCEO hosts webinars! TDSB families are invited to join us for a series of engaging and informative conversations on topics we heard you want to learn more about. Hear from leading experts and participate in question and answer sessions online.

These conversations are jointly hosted by the TDSB's Parent and Community Engagement Office and the Parent Involvement Advisory Committee and generously supported by the Ministry of Education's Parents Reaching Out Grants.

To learn more about the upcoming discussions, [Join the Conversation!](#)

### PAST CONVERSATIONS

Missed a Conversation? All past Conversations can be viewed on the [PCEO YouTube channel](#).



# Black Mental Health - Wednesday Talk Series



IN HONOUR OF AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Talk and Learn Series

**Jason Best**  
YOW - Rosalie Hall  
Karlene Haughton  
EYOW - Yorktown CFS

Jason and Karlene will discuss effective strategies for coping for Black youth in the community, and the benefits of mindfulness meditation.



Wednesday February 8, 2023  
7-8pm

[ZOOM LINK](#)

Upcoming events



IN HONOUR OF AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH

"Talk & Learn" about Black Youth Mental Health

**Chris Leonard**  
Creating Spaces that promote healing

Please join Chris Leonard for an evening to engage in inclusive collective learning & reflection on how to create healing spaces, to address grief, trauma and trauma's of racism.



Wednesday February 15, 2023  
7-8pm

[ZOOM LINK](#)

Upcoming events



IN HONOUR OF AFRICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Talk and Learn Series

**Imani Hennie, MSW**  
TDSB Mental Health Leader


Centering Black Mental Health and the Importance of Positive Identities.



Wednesday March 1, 2023  
7-8pm

[ZOOM LINK](#)

Upcoming events



Welcome to the  
*African Heritage Month's*  
Mental Health and Well-being  
Library & Lounge



BLACK MENTAL HEALTH

TOILET WASH CARE FOR YOURSELF  
WEANS CARE  
FOR YOUR WHOLE COMMUNITY



@TDSB\_MHWP



# MORE JOY !!

BECAUSE JOY IS FUNDAMENTAL  
TO LEARNING



LC2 COMMUNITY SUPPORT  
WORKERS PRESENT A 30  
MINUTE AFTER-SCHOOL  
FAMILY LITERACY SERIES

WEDNESDAYS

FEB 1ST - MARCH 8TH

7:00 - 7:30 PM

ON ZOOM



Or  
Scan Here



MORE JOY!

Please click on the picture to the left to access the entire update.

Click on the link below to access the meetings each week on Zoom or follow the QR code:

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/92857247690#success>

*Dear Families,*  
*Join the EarlyON Program to explore some of the fun activities.*  
*Everyone is Welcome!*



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

**Early  
ON**  
Child and Family Centre

# Connecting with the School

Office Hours 8:00am - 4:00pm

## Telephone

416-395-2830

## E-Mail

[RoywoodPS@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:RoywoodPS@tdsb.on.ca)

## Website

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/roywood/>

## Twitter

[https://twitter.com/TDSB\\_RoywoodPS](https://twitter.com/TDSB_RoywoodPS)

