

ROYWOOD SCHOOL



Roywood News Online #27

Sunday, March 30th, 2025

Click on the images above to access the Roywood Website and X pages.

Drop Off & Pick Up at Roywood PS



Please be aware that the school parking lot is for busses and staff only. There is lots of space in the cul-de-sac for families to park when dropping off and picking up children from school.

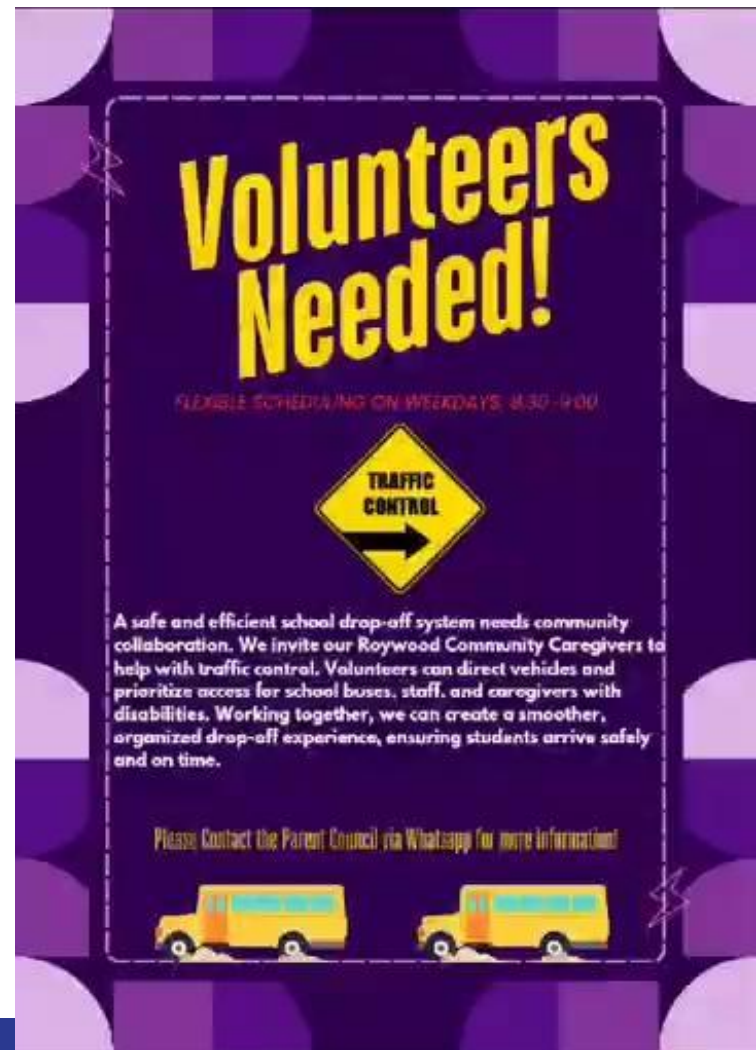
Roywood PS is home to many students who ride the bus to and from school and we need the parking lot clear for the busses to enter and exit safely. We also have families that need to park in the accessible parking spaces, so please make sure to keep them clear.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

We will now be monitoring the entrance way of the driveway and parent volunteers will be helping out.
Thank you for understanding.

Parking & Traffic Control Volunteers Requested

Thank you to those who are currently volunteering to help keep the Roywood community safe! :)



Appreciation

Thank you to Mr. Goldenberg for running fun intramurals for all of the students.

Currently the Kinder Cup is ongoing for the kindergarten students and all of their soccer skills! Make sure to ask your kindergarten children how they are loving playing soccer in the Kinder Cup tournament.

The Grade 1/2 students are also participating in their own soccer tournament and loving it as well! Make sure to ask your Grade 1/2 children how they are loving playing soccer!

Mr. Goldenberg is also encouraging leadership with some of our senior students by having some of the Grade 5 students referee the games!



Upcoming Events

- Apr. 2 - Grade $\frac{3}{4}$ & Grade $\frac{1}{2}$ Classes to Black Creek Pioneer Village
- Apr. 3 - School Advisory Council Meeting @ 9:15 a.m. - Staffroom
- Apr. 4 - Spring Graduation Photo Day with Edge Imaging
- Apr. 7 - Vision Clinic @ Charles Gordon PS - for select students
- Apr. 11 - Community Exchange Event @ 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Cultural Diversity Garden (details below)
- Apr. 18 - Good Friday Holiday (school closed)
- Apr. 19 - Graduation Day Re-Take (**Off Site - Registration Required**)
- Apr. 21 - Easter Monday Holiday (school closed)

Earth Week - April 21st - 25th (see slide for Earth Week Activities)

- Apr. 22 - Swim to Survive Session #1 - Grade 4 students
- Apr. 25 - Pizza Lunch for Students - see Cash Online to order
- Apr. 25 - Community Exchange Event @ 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Cultural Diversity Garden (details below)
- Apr. 29 - Swim to Survive Session #2 - Grade 4 students
- May 6 - Swim to Survive Session #3 - Grade 4 students
- May 7 - Educational Career Day/Open House @ Wynford Group - Grade $\frac{1}{2}$ Class
- May 19 - Victoria Day Holiday (school closed)

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.



**Link to LIVE
Roywood Calendar:**

[https://schoolweb.td
sb.on.ca/roywood/School-Calendar](https://schoolweb.td.sb.on.ca/roywood/School-Calendar)



Roywood Rockstars

WhatsApp group



Are you looking to get connected with the Roywood family community outside of the school?

Roywood families have created a Roywood Rockstars WhatsApp group.

The families would love to have as much of the Roywood community to join the group as possible.

Please note - this group is moderated and monitored by families for families, it is not monitored by the school.



Donate to a School-Specific Nutrition Program

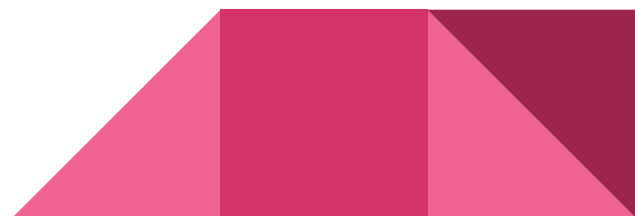
Thank you for supporting nutrition programming at the Toronto Foundation for Student Success!



Scan the QR code to donate to the Roywood Student Nutrition Program!

Your donations count!!

Tax receipts will be issued (and emailed to families) for donations \$20 and over!



Ways to Follow Along with School Information

You can learn about and stay informed with all things Roywood PS in a variety of ways:

1. Visit the school website → <https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/roywood/>
2. Visit the school X account → https://x.com/TDSB_RoywoodPS
3. Weekly Newsletter → sent to registered email address' (if you do not receive the weekly newsletter to your email inbox, please contact the office to update your information!)
4. Communication from classroom teachers



Mindful March 2025

SATURDAY

1 Set an intention to live with awareness and kindness

8 Eat mindfully. Appreciate the taste, texture and smell of your food

15 Stop. Breathe. Notice. Repeat regularly

22 Notice something that is going well, even if today feels difficult

29 Choose a different route today and see what you notice

SUNDAY

2 Notice three things you find beautiful in the outside world

9 Take a full breath in and out before you reply to others

16 Get really absorbed with an interesting or creative activity

23 Tune into your feelings, without judging or trying to change them

30 Mentally scan your body and notice what it is feeling

MONDAY

3 Start today by appreciating your body and that you're alive

10 Get outside and notice how the weather feels on your face

17 Look around and spot three things you find unusual or pleasant

24 Appreciate your hands and all the things they enable you to do

31 Discover the joy in the simple things of life

TUESDAY

4 Notice how you speak to yourself and choose to use kind words

11 Stay fully present while drinking your cup of tea or coffee

18 Have a 'no plans' day and notice how that feels

25 Focus your attention on the good things you take for granted



WEDNESDAY

5 Bring to mind people you care about and send love to them

12 Listen deeply to someone and really hear what they are saying

19 Cultivate a feeling of loving-kindness towards others today

26 Choose to spend less time looking at screens today



THURSDAY

6 If you find yourself rushing, make an effort to slow down

13 Pause to watch the sky or clouds for a few minutes today

20 Focus on what makes you and others happy today

27 Appreciate nature around you, wherever you are



FRIDAY

7 Take three calm breaths at regular intervals during your day

14 Find ways to enjoy any chores or tasks that you do

21 Listen to a piece of music without doing anything else

28 Notice when you're tired and take a break as soon as possible



Follow along with us this MINDFUL March

Try as many MINDFUL activities as you can with family!

School News

Graduation Picture Day: April 4th, 2025 - AM

Students are suggested to wear a white collared shirt for under the graduation gown.

If your child will be absent on April 4th or you do not like the original picture, you can register for the retake photo day, which will be off site (**not at Roywood PS**) and take your child for a new picture at the Edge Studio. **Registration is REQUIRED.**

Register using this link:

<https://edgeimaging.ca/en/studio-day-disclaimer-2/>



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STUDIO DAY DISCLAIMER – TORONTO

I agree to the disclaimer below.

By selecting agree, you acknowledge that Edge Imaging cannot guarantee that the Graduation image(s) photographed during this Studio Day session will be included within the Yearbook or on the Graduation Class Composite.

Submit

**Retake date:
April 19th, 2025**

JUNIOR MILESTONE PHOTOS CELEBRATE THIS MOMENT

Visit photoday.edgeimaging.ca to get photo dates and register for reminders



Showcase Your Best Smile

- A white collared shirt with a tie makes a classic look, but wear whatever makes you feel great!
- Your photographer will take 4 photos, a selection of over 200 backgrounds will be available to view once proofs arrive.
*Photos will be taken either with or without a gown, depending on school policies
- Approximately 2 weeks after photo day, your proofs will arrive at school. Please place your order online at edgeimaging.ca/order



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#TDSBsummer2025

The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) will be offering summer school for students who are currently enrolled in a Developmental Disability (DD), Physical Disability (PD), and Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) Intensive Support Program (ISP). These half-day programs will be held at various locations throughout the TDSB.

The programs will support students to continue to develop their independence in the areas of functional literacy and numeracy skills, activities of daily living, and communication and social skills through a creative curriculum that can include technology, physical fitness, art, music and drama.

Programs are offered in-person to students in Kindergarten to Grade 12, from July 2 to July 25, 2025.

DATES: Wednesday, July 2, to Friday, July 25, 2025

HOURS: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

LOCATIONS: Various locations

Please Note: Summer School acceptance letters will be sent by the summer school principals to the student's homeschool for confirmation. Students admitted will be contingent on overall registration numbers and staffing resources. Limited spaces are available. Bus transportation for accepted students is provided and transportation applications are completed by the sending school. *Only students currently enrolled in these Intensive Support Programs (ISPs) are eligible for registration.

Applications must be submitted by Friday, April 25, 2025.

For more information about registration including application forms, please click [HERE](#).

SEND IN YOUR BATTERIES AND HELP US WIN!



Scan to read more



RecycleYourBatteries.ca



Dear Parents,

We are halfway through the **Battery Blitz School Mission Contest**, in collaboration with **Earth Rangers** and **Recycle Your Batteries, Canada**.

We want to thank all the students and the families who have already sent in their used batteries! 🎉

You still have time to make a difference! The contest runs until **April 11th**. Every battery collected helps protect the planet and gives us a better chance to win a cash prize that can be used to support school activities! ♻️🔋

Make it a fun activity! Work with your child to check smoke detectors and toys for used batteries. Then bring in any household batteries below 5kg that need recycling, to help us reach our goal! Together, we can work for a greener future. 🌍✨

Please help us to collect as many old batteries as possible and help Roywood win a CASH PRIZE!



CULTIVATING DIVERSITY, ONE SEED AT A TIME !



Donate/exchange heritage seeds or plants that hold cultural significance to you and your family



SCHOOL CULTURAL AND DIVERSITY GARDEN

Share stories and traditions behind the plants you donate. Volunteer to help us plant and maintain the garden.

DROP-OFF LOCATION: *Opposite to Principal office
(Cardboard box)*

DATES: *Seeds & Supplies drop off: MARCH 24th - APRIL 25th.
Community exchange event: APRIL 11th & 25th (3-3:30 PM)*





Sowing the Seeds of Diversity and Heritage!



Dear Parents, Staff, and Community Members - We're excited to launch a Heritage Seeds and Plants Drive to create a vibrant Cultural and Diversity Garden at our school! This garden will be a symbol of our community's diversity and heritage, showcasing a variety of plants and flowers that reflect our different cultures and traditions. Sensory garden and heritage pathway will be a highlight of our garden.

How You Can Help:

- Donate heritage seeds or plants that hold cultural significance to you and your family.
- Share stories and traditions behind the plants you donate.
- Donate unused old garden supplies such as planters, pots, trellis, fertilizer, etc to our school garden
- Donate your children's old boots, used wading pool, sensory table, raised water stations to add character to our recycled school garden.
- Volunteer to help us plant and maintain the garden.

Why It Matters:

- Preserves cultural heritage and traditions.
- Promotes diversity, inclusivity, and cross-cultural understanding.
- Provides a unique learning and fun experience for our students.

Drop-off Location: Cardboard box placed opposite to the Principal's office. From March 24th till April 25th.

Contact for more details: Priya Rajendiran (Whatsapp Preferred)

Let's come together to create a beautiful and meaningful garden that celebrates our diversity and heritage!

Thank you for your support!

Best regards,

Parent Council.





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☀️ From building friendships to discovering the joy of learning, the adventure begins here! Kindergarten registration is open for the 2025-26 school year.

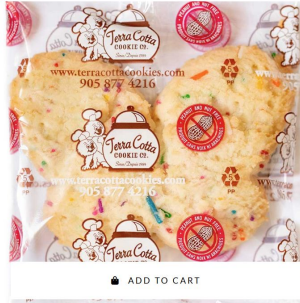
Enroll today: tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten



**KINDERGARTEN
REGISTRATION
for English Programs
IS NOW OPEN**

The graphic features a grid of colorful icons and photos on the left side, including: a stack of books, a young boy smiling, a grid of letters A, B, C, D, E, an apple, a pencil, a girl writing, a globe, a girl in a winter coat, and the Toronto District School Board logo with 'ALT' (Alternative Learning Techniques) text.

Terra Cotta COOKIE CO.



Fudge Chip DeLite *

Vanilla Butterfly (Mar-Mav)

Funfetti DeLite*

NO COOKIES THIS WEEK Cookie Thursday - YUM!

This week we will have our cookie fundraiser on Thursday.

This week's cookies are:

1. Fudge Chip DeLite
2. Funfetti DeLite
3. Vanilla Butterfly

Individual cookies will be sold for \$2.00 each!

All proceeds from this cookie sales will go towards purchasing new sports equipment for the physical education program and sports teams.



For cookie ingredients, please use the link below:

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

Earth Week Challenges

Monday April 21- "Small hands can make a Difference" Trace your hand onto recycled paper and come add your handprint to the Earth Day Bulletin Board outside the Library. Drop your handprint off in Room 107.

Tuesday April 22- Wear Blue, Green or Brown in support of Earth Day. Be extra mindful about our planet today by conserving water and energy .

Wednesday April 23- Walk to School Wednesday. Help cut down on air pollution and ride your bike, scooter, walk or run to school if you live close.

Thursday April 24- Litterless lunch aims to eliminate all single-use packaging and waste from your lunch, use reusable containers, utensils, and other eco-friendly options. All packaging will be sent back home in your lunch bag. No garbage will be provided in the lunchroom.

Friday April 25- Nature Scavenger hunt. During first recess pick up a scavenger hunt list from Room 107.

SEE BELOW FOR SOME EXTRA CHALLENGES

Earth Day Poster Contest

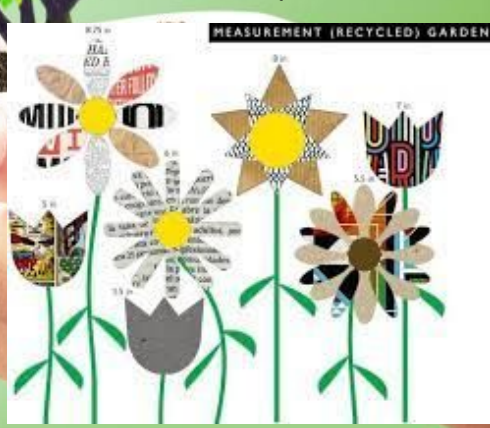
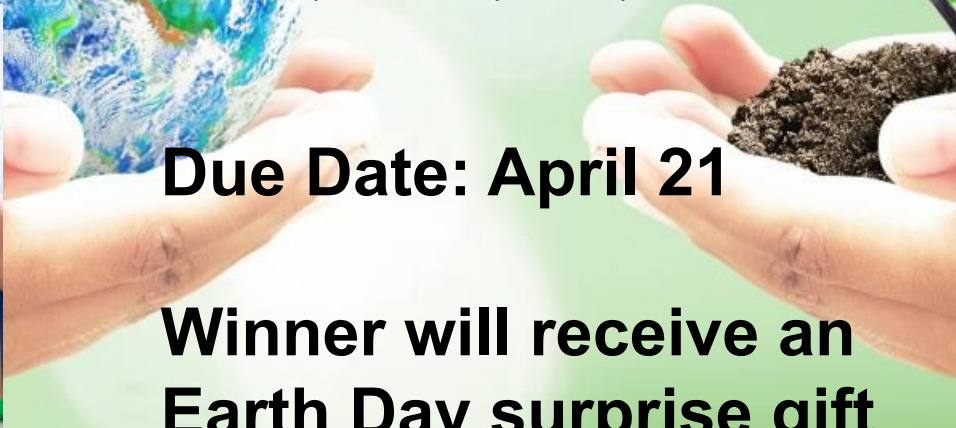
Use only recycled materials to make your poster

Pizza boxes, old magazines, bottle caps, ...

You may use markers, paint, crayons or pencils

Your poster should have a catchy title and a message about ways we can save the Earth

For example, Earth Day Every Day, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



Due Date: April 21

Winner will receive an Earth Day surprise gift

Earth Day Recycled Craft Contest

Repurpose recycled materials from home to make them into something new like a shoebox into a crocodile, a bottle into a planter, or milk cartons into birdhouses. The possibilities are endless. Be creative and have fun! Your craft should not be much bigger than a shoebox so it can be displayed in the front foyer of the school. Due Date: April 22nd

Winner will receive an Earth Day prize!



Earth Day Class Challenge

Each student should bring in a recycled container that can be used as a planter for purple and yellow pansies to displayed in the front flower bed of our school. As a class we will vote on one container. Please send in containers between now and April 23rd. Thank you for your support.



Roywood Eco-Savers Club

Calling all Earth Heros! If you are concerned about our Earth come join us every Thursday starting in April. We will meet in the rock circle outside from 12:00-12:30 for fun outdoor crafts, planting and school wide initiatives to make our school a greener cleaner place.



If you are interested in joining please write a few sentences or draw a picture on recycled paper about why you want to join. Drop your writing or picture off to Mrs. Brown in Room 107 by Monday, March 31. Two students from each grade will be selected.



This Week @ Roywood PS

Are you interested in coding at home with your children? Are you interested in learning more about coding with your children?

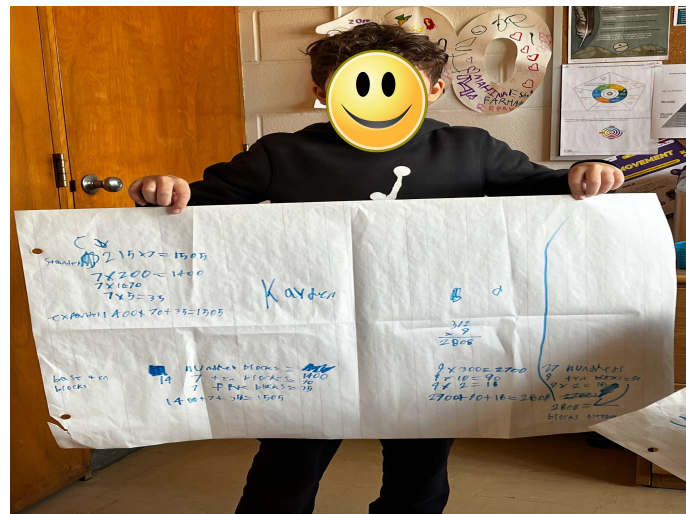
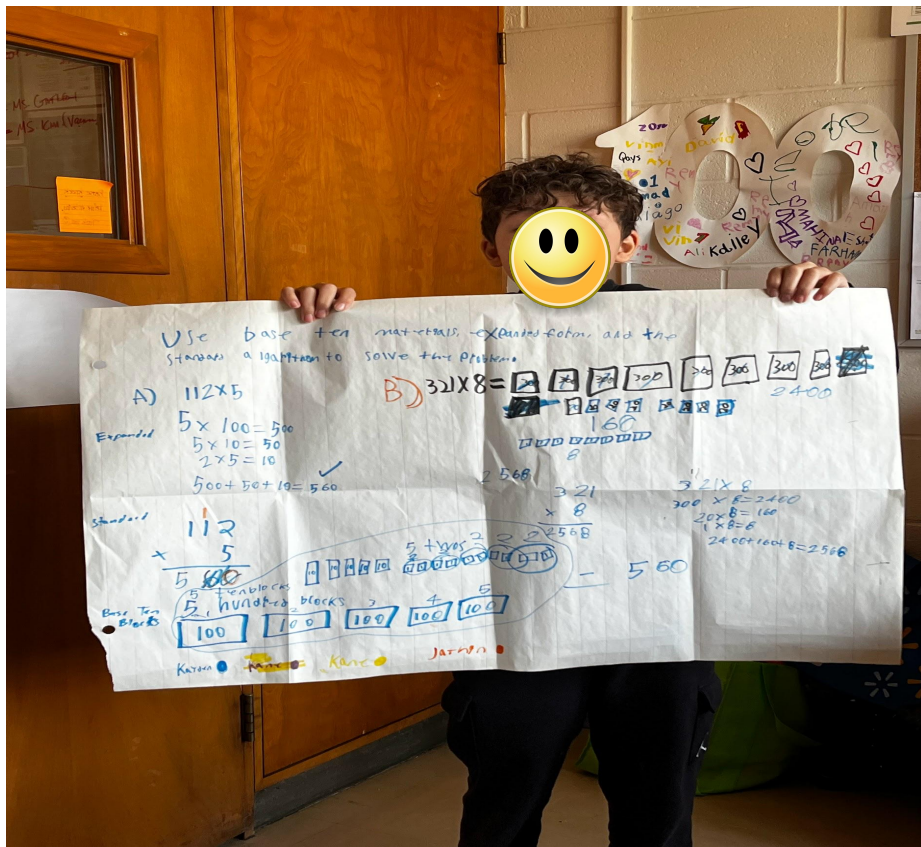
Take a look at the QR codes below for coding activities that you can do at home and for parent survey so that Roywood can plan coding learning activities for families!

Coding Task At Home



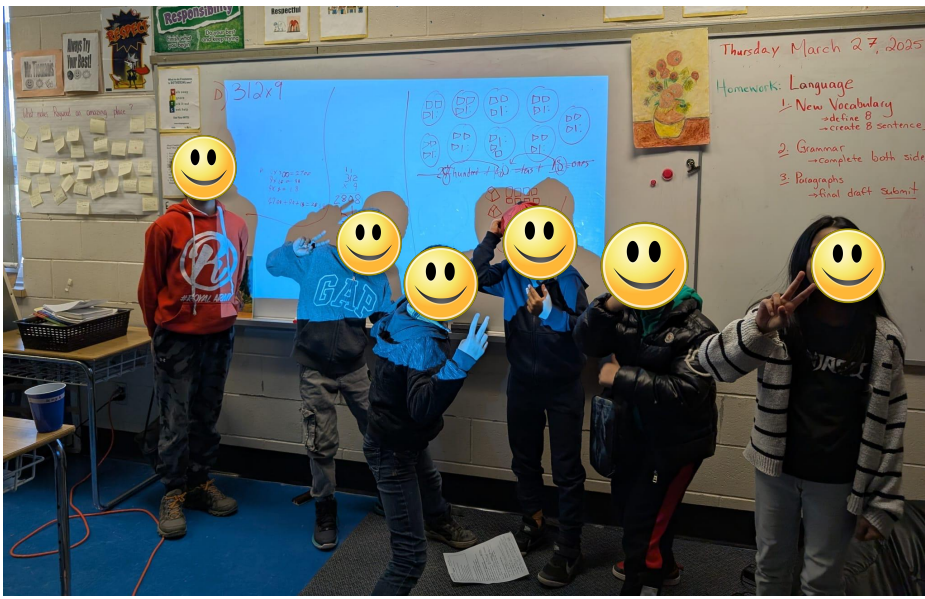
Parent Survey





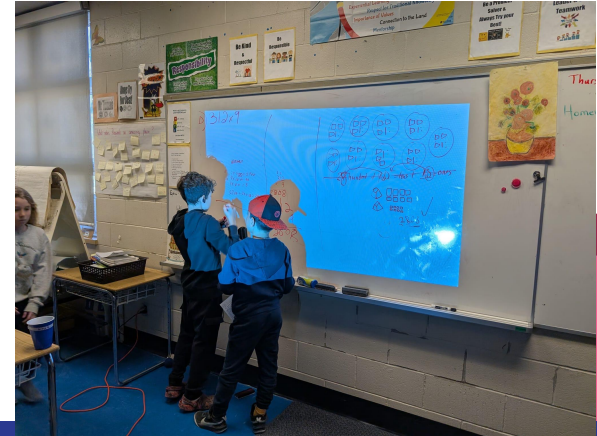
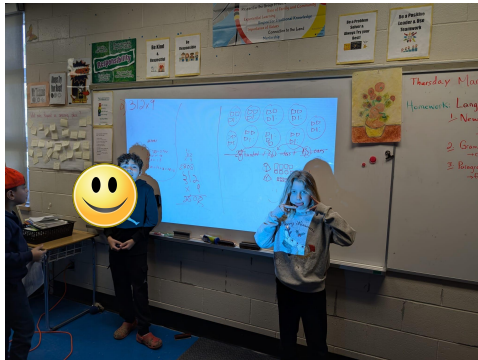
The grade 5 students have been working in groups to solve math problems! This student had to show to represent a number in many different ways:

- Standard form
- Expanded form
- Base ten form
- numeral form



More Grade 4/5 students sharing their knowledge and application of math skills being taught to them by Mrs. Bossert!

They are learning leadership skills, teamwork skills and presentation skills all at the same time as focusing on learning math skills!





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,
Join the EarlyON to engage in a variety of learning
experiences together with your children.
Everyone Is Welcome!*



*Roywood EarlyON Contact Info:
Center Coordinator: Maria Rusu
Phone: 416-395-2830
Mon. to Fri. 8:30a.m. - 12:30p.m.*

**Early
ON**
Child and Family Centre

Connecting with the School

Office Hours 8:00am - 4:00pm

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