

# ROYWOOD SCHOOL



## Roywood News Online #29

Sunday, April 13th, 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.

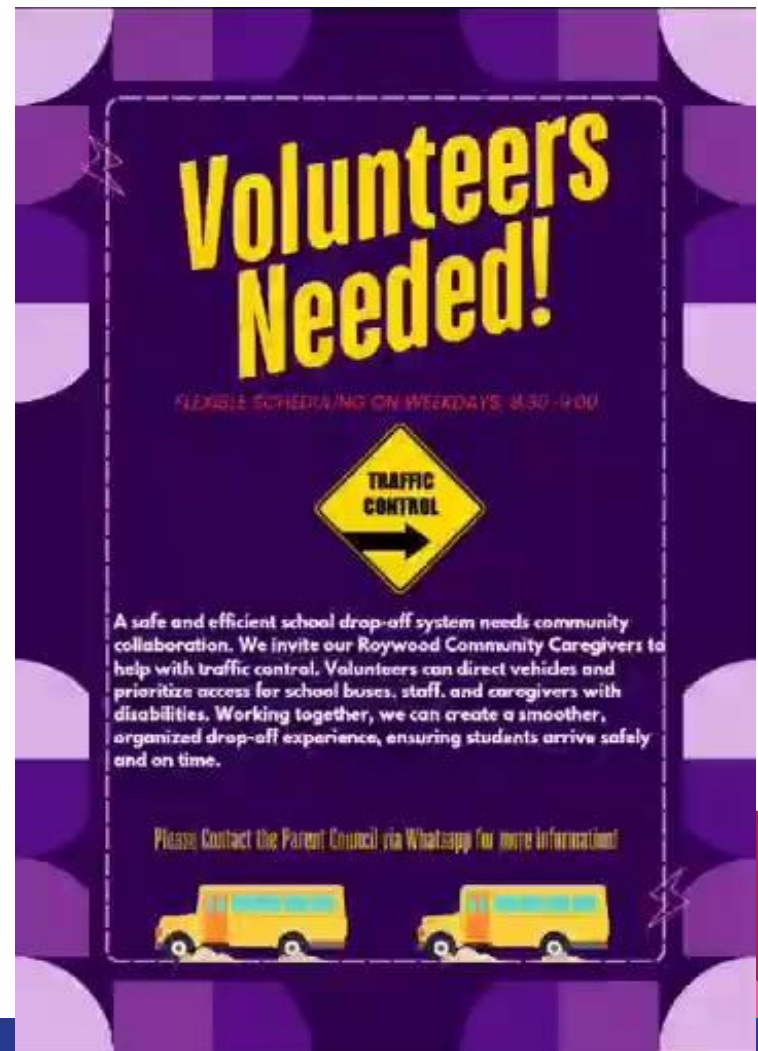
Roywood PS is home to many students who ride the bus to and from school and we need the parking lot clear for the busses to enter and exit safely. We also have families that need to park in the accessible parking spaces, so please make sure to keep them clear.

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 all families who came out to the first Seed and Plant Swap on Friday after school. There were so many different varieties of plants to grow and take home! It was amazing to see the excitement for spring and fresh new plant life.

If you didn't get a chance to stop by on Friday, don't worry, the second Seed and Plant Swap is happening again on Friday, April 25th at 3:00 p.m. in the front foyer - right before or after you pick up your children! :)

See you there! :)



# Upcoming Events

- 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 (paper forms can be found at the office)
- 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  $\frac{4}{5}$  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/Sc  
hool-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](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





# Active April 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1 Commit to being more active this month, starting today	2 Spend as much time as possible outdoors today	3 Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do	4 Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water	5 Turn a regular activity into a playful game today	6 Do a body-scan meditation and really notice how your body feels
7 Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening	8 Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh	9 Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise	10 Have a day with less screen time and more movement	11 Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge	12 Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside	13 Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time
14 Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation	15 Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!)	16 Go exploring around your local area and notice new things	17 Be active outside. Plant some seeds and encourage growth	18 Try out a new exercise, activity or dance class	19 Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often	20 Focus on 'eating a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables today
21 Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day	22 Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it	23 Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour	24 Get active in nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-spotting	25 Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself	26 Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes	27 Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil
	28 Meet a friend outside for a walk and a chat	29 Become an activist for a cause you really believe in	30 Make time to run, swim, dance, cycle or stretch today			

Follow along with us this **ACTIVE** April

Try as many **ACTIVE** activities as you can with family!

# School News

# Pizza Lunch - Friday, April 25th

Place your orders on School Cash Online (the preferred method) or come to the office to pick up a paper order form for cash orders.

All orders are due by Wednesday, April 23rd.

**NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**



## ***PIZZA LUNCH ORDER FORM - FRIDAY, APRIL 25TH***

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Name/Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

On Friday, April 25th the students at Roywood PS will have a pizza lunch. Pizza slices will be offered and can be ordered below or through School CashOnline (preferred method). Gluten-free options are available, please use the order form below. Thank you to the Roywood Family Volunteers for helping with this special lunch event. Domino's will provide this pizza lunch. All slices are halal.

### **ORDERS ARE DUE: Wednesday, April 23rd!!!**

This pizza lunch event is in support of school council fundraising activities for new classroom furniture. Please check one of the options below to order.

**Exact cash only. No change will be given. Sorry, no late orders will be accepted!**

**Pizza Lunch Slices (PLEASE CHECK ONE ONLY)**

Regular Slice Options	Gluten-Free Slice Options
1 Cheese Slice - \$3.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 GF Cheese Slice - \$3.00
2 Cheese Slices - \$4.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 GF Cheese Slices - \$4.00
3 Cheese Slices - \$5.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 GF Cheese Slices - \$5.00



ROYWOOD PARENT  
COUNCIL PRESENTS

# SWAP & STYLE EVENT



## 04/17

ROYWOOD SCHOOL  
INSIDE THE GYM  
3 PM - 5 PM



FIRST 5 ITEMS - FREE  
EACH ADDITIONAL ITEM - \$1  
CASH & CASHONLINE ACCEPTED

**EVERY DOLLAR RAISED WILL HELP US BUY  
NEW FURNITURE FOR OUR CLASSROOMS.**

**LET'S MAKE LEARNING MORE FUN AND  
COMFY FOR OUR KIDS!**

## Swap & Style Event

Please see school cash online to pre-purchase quantity of items or you can bring cash on the day of the event. Items available until they are gone, first come first serve.

See you all next week Thursday right after school! :)

# ROYWOOD 'S CLOTHES & GOODS DRIVE

We're collecting gently used clothes, footwear, linens, and housewares to raise funds for our school which will be donated to Recycling Rewards. Our school earns 10¢ per pound of collected items.

 **WHEN :**  
**MARCH 31 - APRIL 11**

 **WHERE :**  
**DROP OFF BESIDE THE GYM**

## FULL LIST OF ACCEPTABLE ITEMS



3 PM - 5 PM

**17**

APRIL

**FREE  
SWAP &  
STYLE  
EVENT**

\*DETAILS TO FOLLOW

### FUNDRAISING GOAL:

**\$3,500 TO UPGRADE THE FURNITURE IN  
OUR GRADE 1/2 CLASSROOMS.**

**EVERY POUND HELPS US GET CLOSER  
TO OUR GOAL!**



 **WANT TO SUPPORT WITH A DIRECT  
DONATION?**


# ROYWOOD 'S CLOTHES & GOODS DRIVE

**March 31 - April 11**

We're collecting gently used clothes, footwear, linens, and housewares to raise funds for our school!


### WHAT WE ACCEPT:

- ✓ CLOTHING (MEN'S, WOMEN'S, CHILDREN'S)
- ✓ SHOES & BOOTS
- ✓ HATS, BELTS, TIES, PURSES, SCARVES
- ✓ TOWELS, LINENS, BEDDING, BLANKETS
- ✓ CURTAINS, DRAPES, BLINDS
- ✓ KITCHENWARE, TABLEWARE, COOKWARE
- ✓ TOYS, BOOKS, LAMPS, DÉCOR ITEMS
- ✓ SMALL ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES (CURLING IRONS, HAIR DRYERS, DVD PLAYERS, ETC.)
- ✓ SEASONAL & HOLIDAY DÉCOR
- ✓ JEWELRY, SPORTING GOODS, GAMES, PUZZLES

 **ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN, GENTLY USED,  
WITHOUT SMELLS, HOLES, OR RIPS.**

### FULL LIST OF ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

[CLICK HERE TO VIEW](#)

 **WHAT HAPPENS NEXT:**  
ALL LEFTOVERS WILL BE DONATED TO RECYCLING  
REWARDS. OUR SCHOOL EARNS  
**10¢ PER POUND OF COLLECTED ITEMS.**



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CLICK HERE TO [\*\*DONATE\*\*](#)

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APRIL

**SWAP &  
STYLE  
EVENT**

\*DETAILS TO FOLLOW



# EVENT SCHEDULE

HAVE QUESTIONS ?  
WANT TO VOLONTEER ?

CONTACT  
ANNA SOLOVYEVA  
4374366526

**31—11**

MARCH    APRIL

## DROP OFF THE ITEMS

COLLECTION BINS NEAR THE GYM.

**14—16**

APRIL    APRIL

## SORTING THE CLOTHES

CALL TO VOLUNTEERS

\*DETAILS TO BE FOLLOW

**17**

APRIL

## SWAP & STYLE EVENT

3 - 5 PM    ROYWOOD GYM

\*DETAILS TO BE FOLLOW

**17**

APRIL

## COLLECTION ALL THE LEFTOVERS BY THE RECYCLING REWORDS

6 PM    CALL TO VOLUNTEERS

\*DETAILS TO BE FOLLOW

# ALL LINKS TO CONNECT

## FULL LIST OF ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

**VIEW** [Click HERE](#)



## WANT TO SUPPORT WITH A DIRECT DONATION?

**DONATE** [Click HERE](#)



## INSTRUCTIONS - HOW TO DONATE THROUGH CASH ONLINE

**READ** [Click HERE](#)



## QUESTIONS OR WANT TO VOLONTEER?

CONTACT  
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**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.





# 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, ...

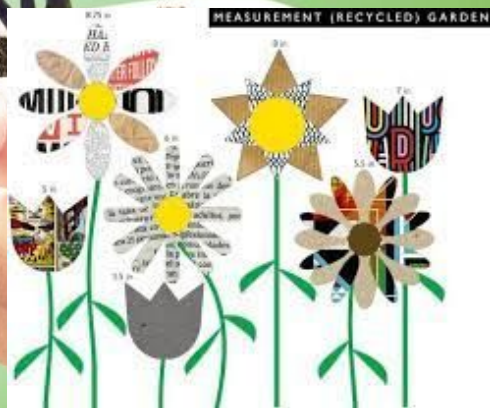
You may use markers, paint, crayons or pencils

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.



## #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](#).



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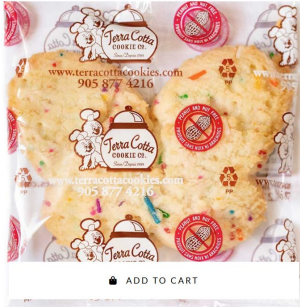
☀️ From building friendships to discovering the joy of learning, the adventure begins here! Kindergarten registration is open for the 2025-26 school year.

Enroll today: [tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten](https://tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten)

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

The graphic features a 4x2 grid of images on the left side. The top row shows a stack of books and a young boy smiling. The second row contains alphabet blocks (A, B, C, D, E) and a red apple. The third row shows two children playing with toys and a girl holding a pencil. The bottom row includes the TDSB logo with 'ALT' and a girl in a winter coat, and a globe. The right side of the graphic has a large blue background with the text 'KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION for English Programs IS NOW OPEN' in white and yellow.





Fudge Chip DeLite \*

Vanilla Butterfly (Mar-Mav)

Funfetti DeLite\*

# 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://terraccottacookies.com/school-cookie-program/cookie-ingredients/>





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!

Parent Survey

Coding Task At Home





# 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



VIRTUAL

DEVELOPMENTAL  
DISABILITIES  
CONNECT

## RESOURCE FAIR

This Event Is Designed For TDSB Parents, Caregivers, And Their Children And Youth With Developmental Disabilities, Offering An Opportunity To Connect, Access Resources, And Engage In Meaningful Discussions That Support Their Unique Needs.



**Saturday, May 3, 2025**



**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**



**John Polanyi Collegiate Institute**  
640 Lawrence Ave W,  
North York, ON M6A 1B1.

**REGISTER BY APRIL 25, 2025 TO SECURE YOUR SPOT**

**Walk ins Are Welcome!**



**Food Provided**



**Prizes  
& Giveaways**



**Activities for the  
whole family**

**REGISTER  
HERE**

**SCAN ME**



CONTACT US AT:

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



# PARENT/CAREGIVER & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



## Parent/Caregiver Workshops & Events Calendar



Visit [www.tdsbHUB.ca](http://www.tdsbHUB.ca) for a list of virtual workshops, meetings, trainings and events for parents, caregivers and educators

Our calendar features events from across the TDSB intended for parents/caregivers and community. Find meetings, trainings, events and initiatives to support you, your child and your community. Other key dates are our [board meetings](#) and [school year calendar](#) with the Days of Significance.

# Check out the Parent/Caregiver & Community Newsletter using the link below!

You may access the newsletter here -

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MpddOS8wTO7oFEg1YMXodevaGnqSTib5/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MpddOS8wTO7oFEg1YMXodevaGnqSTib5/view?usp=drive_link)

Access previous editions of the newsletter here -

<https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/csww/newsletter-archives>

# DEAR FAMILIES,

The EarlyON drop-in program is open Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Join the program to play together with your children.

Let's Have Fun Together!



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





# Connecting with the School

Office Hours 8:00am - 4:00pm

## **Office Administrator**

Patricia-Anne De Silva

## **E-Mail**

[Patricia-Anne.DeSilva@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Patricia-Anne.DeSilva@tdsb.on.ca)

## **Telephone**

416-395-2830

## **General 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)

