

Roywood News Online #30

Sunday, April 20th, 2025

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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

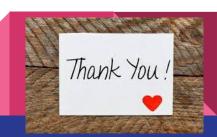
Thank you to those who are currently volunteering to help keep the Roywood community safe! :)



Appreciation

Thank you to all the families for your continued support with the Roywood parking lot. When the family cars stay out of the parking lot, the busses are able to smoothly come in and out and the students are able to get into school and off to their home in a timely manner.

Now that the weather is getting warmer, we encourage walking your children to school. It is a healthy habit, gives you time to talk and reflect on your day and helps to make your muscles strong!



Upcoming Events

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. 23 Pizza Lunch Orders DUE No late orders will be accepted!
- 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 2 Blast off Into Galactic Glow Dance See Cash Online to order glow items!
- May 6 Swim to Survive Session #3 Grade 4 students
- 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



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.





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



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:

- Visit the school website → https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/roywood/
- 2. Visit the school X account → https://x.com/TDSB_RoywoodPS
- 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

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April

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY





Commit to being more active this month, starting today

Spend as much time as possible outdoors today

Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do

Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water

Turn a regular activity into a playful game today

Do a bodyfeels

scan meditation and really notice how your body

Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening

Give your body a boost by laughing or making someone laugh

Turn your housework or chores into a fun form of exercise

10 Have a day with less screen time and more movement

Set vourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge

Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside

Make sleep go to bed in good time

a priority and

Relax your body & mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation

Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!)

16 Go exploring around your local area and notice new things

Be active outside. Plant some seeds and encourage growth

18 Try out a new exercise, activity or dance class

Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often

20 Focus on 'eating a rainbow' of multi-coloured vegetables today

Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day

22 Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it

Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour

Get active in nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-

Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself

Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes

Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil



Meet a friend outside for a walk

and a chat

Become an activist for a cause vou really believe in

Make time to run, swim. dance, cycle or stretch today







Happier · Kinder · Together

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Try as many ACTIVE activities as

you can with family!

Follow along

with us this

ACTIVE

April

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:
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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)









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.

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

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

<u>Thursday April 24-</u> 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.

<u>Friday April 25-</u> 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



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



Jerra Cotta COOKIE CO.







Fudge Chip DeLite *

anilla Butterfly (Mar-May)

Funfetti DeLite*

For cookie ingredients, please use the link below:

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

Cookie Thursday - YUM!

This week we will have our cookie fundraiser on Thursday.

This week's cookies are:

- 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.



This Week @ Roywood PS





We love Mrs. Valentine! She is our DHH Itinerant Teacher and she works with many students at Roywood. Here she can be seen working with a student to create a recount of the story of the Three Little Pigs. What did that big bad wolf do???

Charles Gordon Vision Clinic - Thank you TFSS!



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 apparent 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



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



Food Provided

Prizes & Giveaways REGISTER HERE SCAN ME



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Activities for the whole family

virtualfairinfo@tdsb.on.ca

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Parent/Caregiver Workshops & Events Calendar



Visit <u>www.tdsbHUB.ca</u> 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/1MpddOS8wTO7oFEg1Y MXodevaGnqSTib5/view?usp=drive_link

Access previous editions of the newsletter here -

https://sites.google.com/tdsb.on.ca/csws/newsletter-archives

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DEAR FAMILIES,

Visit the EarlyON program to have fun playing together with your children. The centre is closed Friday, April 18, 2025 and Monday, Friday, April 21, 2025.

See You Back Tuesday, April 22, 2025! EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



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

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