

ROYWOOD SCHOOL



Roywood News Online #32

Sunday, May 4th, 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.

Appreciation

The Blast Off Into Galactic Glow Dance was a HUGE SUCCESS for students, staff and the volunteers! Everyone had a great time dancing and glowing the day away. The students had such a great time dancing to their favourite songs requested from DJ Mad! They had fun photos taken by Priya and many glow glasses, glow tattoos, glow bracelets and necklaces activated and given out by many other volunteers! It was such an amazing day!

Thank you to Laila for leading the team for this year's dance! We can't wait to see what great things are in the works for next school year!

To all the parent volunteers - THANK YOU SO MUCH! We appreciate you and all that you do for the students of Roywood!

We even had some staff breaking it down and showing off their great dance moves! It was so much fun!



Upcoming Events

- May 6 - Swim to Survive Session #3 - Grade 4 students & Selected Grade 5 students
- May 6 - School Advisory Council Meeting @ 9:15 a.m. - Staffroom
- May 9 - Willowgrove Farm Trip - Kindergarten, Grade ½ & Grade ⅔ Classes
- May 13 - TDESSA Track & Field Meet - Selected Students Only
- May 15 - Donview HWA Spring Concert for Grade 4 and 5 students @ 1:00 p.m.
- May 19 - Victoria Day Holiday (school closed)
- May 21 - Folk Dance Jamboree @ 1:00 p.m. - Gym - Families are invited to attend!
- May 23 - TPH Dental Screening - All students
- May 26 - TPH Dental Screening - All students
- May 26 - EQAO Testing Begins for Grade 3 Students
- May 27 - Barrier Free Track & Field Meet @ Variety Village for Students in ISP program
- May 30 - EQAO Testing Ends for Grade 3 Students
- May 30 - Special Lunch for Students (stay tuned for more information through Cash Online)
- Jun. 5 - School Advisory Council Meeting @ 9:15 a.m. - Staffroom
- Jun. 23 - Wynford Fun Day for all students

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.tdsb.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.

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



Meaningful May 2025

MONDAY



TUESDAY



WEDNESDAY



THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why

8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

15 Do something to contribute to your local community

16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about

19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why

26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful

27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others

28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight

29 Today do something to care for the natural world

30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future



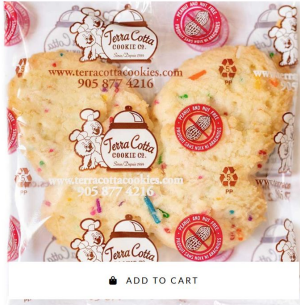
ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

Follow along with us this MEANINGFUL May!

Try as many MEANINGFUL activities as you can with family!

School News



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

Meet Gary! Gary the Goose!



Gary can be found around the grounds of Roywood either in the front or back of the school. He is currently being very protective of his family. Mary, the female goose, can be found on the Roywood roof, sitting on her nest protecting her eggs. Roywood is Gary's home too! We need to be cautious around him as he protects his family but we should also be speaking with children about not chasing him when he is in the school yard.

Thank you for your understanding and welcoming of Gary and his family to Roywood PS.



Lots of students
dressed fancy for the
Galactic Glow Dance
Party on Friday!

Some were even twins
with matching dresses!





A member of the Toronto Foundation for Student Success came to Roywood on Friday afternoon to distribute glasses to students who travelled to the Charles Gordon vision clinic.

The students were so excited and happy with the glasses that they chose!

It was smiles all around!

Thank you to TDSB Model Schools for Inner Cities program and partnership with Toronto Foundation for Student Success!



A huge thank you to the family volunteers for planning, supervising, hosting, decorating, cleaning up, dancing with, having fun with and being all around great people for the dance on Friday!



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

April 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian/Caregiver:

Welcome to an exciting opportunity to participate in a summer program for students going into Grades 4 - 10 in September (currently students in Grades 3 - 9) with an Autism Exceptionality (ASD). The program is called ***Doing What I Love: At Home, At School and In the Community!*** The ASD Skills Development Program offers an opportunity for students to develop, build and enhance their social and communication skills. A key component of the program is to learn leisure/recreation activities based on students' interests. Activities will be led by qualified teachers who will reinforce Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA) Instructional Methods and self-regulations strategies throughout the sessions.

Parents are required to participate in the program with their children and must be present when school-aged siblings are also in attendance. The goal is for parents to use the strategies taught during the program at home with their children. Students are asked to bring a snack and water on each day of the program. Parents are responsible for bringing their children to and from the program, as **transportation is not provided**.

Students enrolled in our program will have the opportunity to work with their teachers to develop and enhance their social skills and develop cooperation skills by playing and interacting with other participants as they engage in a variety of intentionally chosen leisure activities. During the sessions, time will also be spent preparing students for their return to school in September. Teachers will provide strategies to students and parents on how best to prepare for a smooth transition to a new class, grade or school.

The program will run from **July 2 - 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** at the locations listed below. Participants are invited to sign up for only **one location**.

- **Charles H. Best JMS**, 285 Wilmington Ave, North York
- **Cosburn MS**, 520 Cosburn Ave, East York
- **Don Mills MS**, 17 The Donway E, North York

- **Forest Manor PS**, 25 Forest Manor Rd, North York
- **Henry Hudson SPS**, 350 Orton Park Rd, Scarborough
- **Henry Kelsey SPS**, 1200 Huntingwood Dr, Scarborough
- **Highfield JS**, 85 Mount Olive Dr., Etobicoke
- **Twentieth Street Junior School**, 3190 Lake Shore Blvd W, Etobicoke

Interested parents are asked to fill out [this form](#) (click to access) by **Friday, May 30, 2025**. Spaces in the program are limited, and enrollment is on a first-come first-serve basis.

We look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

The ASD Summer Skills Development Program Committee



Click the letter or this link for more information:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bMg2LHAX6ShRnZpLjNoF3yA0UFzD_eN8/edit?tab=t.0



Summer Learning Opportunities for Newcomer Students & Families

01

TDSB Elementary Literacy & Numeracy Summer School

- Who: TDSB Students in Kindergarten to Grade 8
- When: July 2 – July 25, 2025
-  Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Where: Offered in-person at various TDSB schools
-  Remote learning available for Grades 6–8
- Focus: English & Math skills, confidence building, and fun activities
- Register Online: [Elementary Summer School 2025](#)



Opportunities for Youth

- WIN Settlement Program: Ask your settlement worker
- Volunteer Opportunities (Gr. 8+): [Volunteer Toronto](#)
- YMCA Newcomer Youth Programs: Visit your local YMCA for details

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Continuing
Education

Reach Ahead

Secondary Credit


Courses (for Gr. 8's)

[More info](#)



02


Afternoon Jays Camp RBI Summer Edition

- Who: Students in Grades 4–8 attending morning summer school
- When:  12:00 PM – 4:00 PM (option to extend to 5:30 PM)
- What: Cooperative games, team-building, crafts & inclusive baseball
- Where: Offered at 13 school sites
- Important: Bring lunch and a water bottle!
- Separate registration link provided in your summer school application.



03

2025 Summer International Languages Elementary & African Heritage (LEAH) Program

- Who: Students in Senior Kindergarten to Grade 8
- When: July 2 – July 25, 2025,  Monday to Friday
- Where: Offered in-person at various TDSB schools
- Focus: learn and maintain a home language
- Online Registration: [Register now](#)
- Cost: \$20 materials fee (OEN and OHIP are required)



Toronto Public Library Summer Programs

- TD Summer Reading Club: [Visit site](#)
- Toronto Public Library Youth Hubs: [View branches](#)





2025 Summer International Languages Elementary & African Heritage Program (July 2 to July 25, 2025)
Registration is open!



School	Languages Offered	Program Time (Mon-Fri)
Charles E Webster PS	Amharic Tigrinya	9:00-11:30 am
Crestview PS	African Heritage Cantonese Mandarin Simplified Mandarin Traditional	12:00-2:30 pm 9:00-11:30 am
Cummer Valley MS	Cantonese, Korean Mandarin Simplified Mandarin Traditional Spanish, Ukrainian	9:00-11:30 am
Forest Manor PS	Farsi, Hindi Tamil, Tagalog	9:00-11:30 am
Mary Shadd PS	Hindi, Sanskrit and Tamil	9:00-11:30 am
North Kipling JMS	Arabic, Somali and Tamil	1:30-4:00 pm
Pleasant View PS	American Sign Language Mandarin Simplified Romanian	9:00-11:30 am
King Edward Jr and Sr PS	Mandarin Simplified	9:00-11:30 am
Silver Springs PS	Cantonese Mandarin Simplified Mandarin Traditional	9:00-11:30 am

Note: Additional languages may be offered if a minimum of 25 students are enrolled.

For more information on other ILE Summer locations visit www.ileahprograms.ca or call/email 416-338-4100, ile_ah@tdsb.on.ca

*In Spring 2024, we asked parents/
caregivers across Ontario to tell us
how we can help them to support their
child or youth's mental health.*

Over
3,400

*people told us they wanted information
and strategies to promote mental health
and well-being at home.*

*Together with partners from
Children's Mental Health Ontario and
School Mental Health Ontario, we're
excited to share resources on a range
of topics to help!*

Check out Family Care Centre to find information on:

- Accessing mental health support
- Supporting your child receiving services
- Understanding and managing screen time
- How to support siblings
- Managing aggression at home
- Bullying and its impact
- Gender, sexuality and expression
- Understanding anxiety

Learn More

Visit By Your Side for topics such as:

- Understanding mental health
- Mental health at home
- Mental health at school
- Stress and anxiety management
- Substance use prevention
- Navigating digital technology use
- Reaching out for help

Learn More



Coalition for Children
and Youth Mental Health

Coalition pour la santé mentale
des enfants et des adolescents

Partnership network

The Ontario Coalition for Children and Youth Mental Health is a multi-sectoral network of provincial partners in education, mental health and addictions, health, public health, justice, community and social services, and research along with parents/caregivers and young people, working to ensure the best mental health and well-being for Ontario's children, young people and their families.

**Come back often to
view new webinars,
videos and information
sheets over time.**

Use the following link or click on the poster for more information and trusted resources.

<https://www.family.cmho.org/resources/>



PARENT/CAREGIVER & COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



Parent/Caregiver Workshops & Events Calendar



Visit 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

Access previous editions of the newsletter here -

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

Dear Families

*Join The EarlyON Program For Playing, Painting, Drawing Outside
With Your Little Ones. Exploring The Outdoors Is Awesome!
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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