



Roywood News Online #8


Sunday, October 23rd, 2022

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

Appreciation

Thank you to all the students, staff and community partners for being a part of two fire drill practices and one lock down drill practice. Everyone in the building safely and quietly exited the building to practice the school emergency procedures. We hope that an emergency evacuation will not happen, but if it does - we know what to do!

We will have our last fire drill practice this coming week!




Thank You!



Upcoming Events/Significant Days of the Year

- Oct. 24 - Election Day - Roywood PS is a polling station
- Oct. 26 - Kindergarten Field Trip to TDSB Forest Valley Outdoor Education Center
- Oct. 26 - School Advisory Council @ 5:00pm in Staffroom (all are welcome!)
- Nov. 16 - Progress Reports & Initial Communication of Learning Home to Families
- Nov. 17 - Family/Educator Conferences - PM (more information to come)
- Nov. 18 - P.A. Day (no school for students)
- Nov. 18 - Family/Educator Conferences - AM (more information to come)
- Dec. 2 - P.A. Day (no school for students)

Roywood Spirit Wear will be offered for ordering in November. Sweatshirts and tee shirts with the Roywood Public School will be available for purchase. Ordering and payments will be made through the School CashOnline system!



School News



SMILE

It's picture retake day
and class group
picture day!

November 9th

Lifetouch.



New Communication Options for Families - School Messenger

The following information was shared with all TDSB families last week:

The TDSB is offering two new ways for parents and caregivers to stay connected with their school and the TDSB.

1. Parents and caregivers will have an opportunity to opt in to receive text messages from their school and TDSB in addition to receiving messages through email. A text message will be sent to you to the phone number you have on file in September inviting you to opt in.
2. Families will also have the option to use the [School Messenger](#) app or website for a faster and easier way to report absences and receive communication sent by the TDSB and your school. This service is available now. More details about how to get started with School Messenger are available below.

Learn more about [SchoolMessenger](#) and watch a [video](#) about it. For more information and instructions for families please visit [this section](#) of the TDSB site.





[Log in to your account.](#)

Thank you to families that have already completed the Start of the Year forms!

Responses



Completed Started Unopened Not Sent

125 12 30 0

Beginning of the year health, safety and permission forms were sent out on September 8th for family members to complete. These forms are important so that the school has up-to-date contact information and medical information. To date we have 125 student forms completed, 12 started and 30 forms unopened.

**Please look for the email and complete the forms as soon as possible.
Thank you!**

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 15% of our school signed up... Let's make it 100%!!

School Cash Online Links:

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

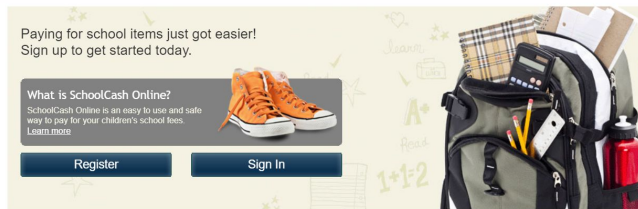
[School Cash Online - Sign Up Instructions](#)

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.



TDSB's Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference

Registration is now open for #TDSB's Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference! Join us on October 22 and 23, 2022 to learn strategies to support your child, to connect with experts and other parents, and to hear our inspiring keynotes. Find all of the details at <http://www.parentsaspartners.ca/>. When you are at this page, go to Menu at the top. Here you will be able to see the Schedule. Check this tab out to see the agenda. Then go to the Pre-Conference Sessions' tab for all of our in-person Pre-Conference sessions for both Saturday, October 22 and Sunday, October 23, 2022. Our Pre-Conference sessions include TDSB Outdoor Education Centres, Toronto Museums and our TDSB Centre for Black Student Achievement. Transportation is available to and from all pre-conference sessions for both the Saturday and the Sunday Sessions (you will be able to indicate this on your registration form). Then, after you have looked at our Pre-Conference schedule of events, you can go to the Conference Sessions' tab to see all of the sessions that are being offered over Zoom and the corresponding Day and Time.

This will help you to plan your days. After you have determined what Pre-Conference and Conference sessions that you are going to attend, you then go to the Registration tab to register. Please be reminded that interpretation is available for all sessions (you will be able to indicate this on your registration form).

PARENTS & CAREGIVERS
as PARTNERS

Affirming, Belonging, Connecting

Hybrid Conference 2022



Early French Immersion Begins in Junior Kindergarten

Applications Open: October 31, 2022
Deadline to Apply: November 25, 2022



Apply Online at www.tdsb.on.ca/french



Early French Immersion Program - Application

To support the Junior Kindergarten entry point to Early French Immersion, please see the attached poster.

Visit the TDSB website for more information about [Early French Immersion](#), [Virtual & In-Person Information Sessions](#) or the [Application Process](#).

Hallowe'en Safety Tips

Hallowe'en provides an opportunity for parents and children to spend time together creating costumes, carving pumpkins, planning trick or treat activities and participating in family parties. Hallowe'en is a big event at schools and provides opportunities for parties, creative activities, art programs and impromptu history lessons. Hallowe'en is also a time for students, parents, and schools to take extra care to ensure safety and security.

TRICK OR TREAT SAFETY

If parents are concerned about trick or treating, here are some basic safety rules to follow:



- Children should NEVER eat any treats until parents have had a chance to go through them and inspect them. Parents should look for tampering of packages and discard any they believe to be unsafe or unknown.
- Have your child carry a flashlight.
- NEVER go into a stranger's house.
- NEVER trick or treat with people you do not know.
- Trick or treat only at homes you know.
- Children should always stay in groups if no parent is present.
- Younger children should ALWAYS be accompanied by an older person.
- Accompany your child when trick or treating.
- If you can not accompany your child then know the route your child will take.
- Flame resistant (retardant) costumes are in order. Keep costumes short and remind children to stay away from pumpkins with candles in them.
- Remind children to stay away from pets they do not know.
- Remind children of road safety rules. Cross only at corners. Do not criss-cross the road. Go up one side of the road and down the other side. Never cross between parked cars. Walk facing on-coming traffic if there is no sidewalk.
- If adults are driving their children, drive slowly, with lights on and be cautious when pulling to the side of the road.
- Children should wear their own shoes when trick or treating. Wearing costume shoes/boots can be dangerous and uncomfortable.
- Remind children that not everyone celebrates Hallowe'en, and to avoid any homes that have no lights on. Also remind children not to run through neighbours yards or gardens.
- With older children, be sure to know what other events (such as parties) they plan on attending.
- Set time limits when children should return home.



This Week @ Roywood PS

Grade 1/2 students made Rangolis given their material of choice in the classroom (i.e. playdough, linking shapes, lego, blocks, or sorting objects). They were so proud of their challenge! They were given five minutes to construct their Rangoli!



These students used small items (starting with dinosaurs in the middle and other animals and humans at the outer circle).



These students used blocks
(made a temple for the goddess
- city before the temple is just
behind the front student.

These students created
playdough rangolis (looked like
the sun).



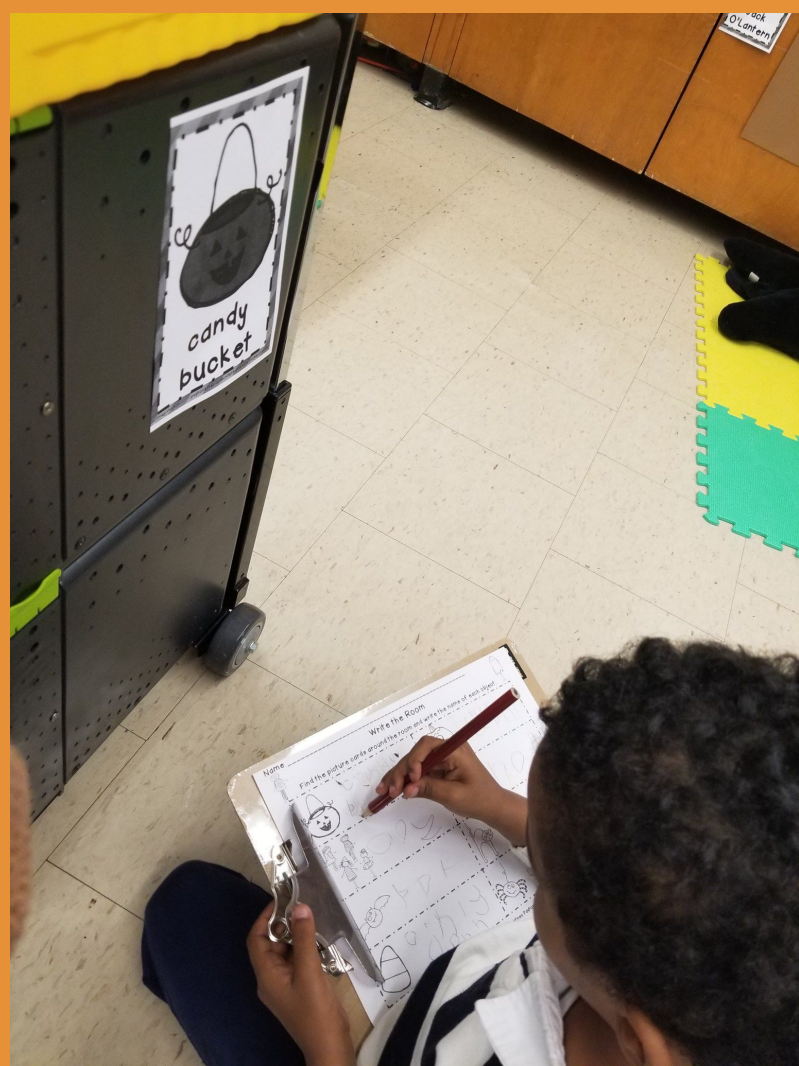


These students created
lego/rectangle rangolis.

These students used linking
cubes replicating the rangoli's
we saw with flowers.



Kindergarten students are reading and writing the room and looking for Halloween items.





Continued Learning for All

Students, Families & Staff

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

Please take a moment to
complete this
Model Schools' Parent &
Caregiver Survey so that
we can work on planning
beneficial events for
Roywood families!

Model Schools' Parent & Caregiver Survey 2022-2023



Please complete this survey to give us an understanding of what you, your school and community need to support your child at home and at school.



shorturl.at/hijXZ



To complete the survey, click the link above or open the camera on your phone and scan the QR code.





The TDSB website contains important information to get organized as students return to school. The School Calendar, information about Health & Safety, Mental Health & Well-Being, Parent Resources, and ways to stay connected can be found here:

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/School-Year-2022-2023>

Dear Families,
Join the EarlyON program so children would have some fun playing with water.
Sensory water play engages children's senses helping them to learn through exploration, curiosity, experimentation, creation and problem solving.

Let's Play Together!



*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

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