

## **RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration Nov 30 edition**

**MISSION:** TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

**GOAL:** TO DEVELOP STUDENTS' UNDERSTANDING AND APPLICATION OF ADDITIVE REASONING

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Superintendent: D. Wright

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**From the stacks...**Un grand merci from Mme Alyea for your support of the 'virtual book fair'.

### **Reminders:**

Please remember to send your child to school each day with a **filled water bottle**, and **at least one mask** (if not two if possible). We have a limited number of each for emergencies only. We appreciate your support with this.

Thank you

We have also noticed that a growing number of students are coming to the office at second break looking for an **additional snack** as they have eaten through everything that had been packed in their lunch pail. Please check in with your child to see if they need a few more snacks to get them through their day. Thank you

### **Fall/Winter Clothing at School:**

This time of the year can get very muddy as the combination of melting snow and rain wreaks havoc on the yard. We have had to make many calls home to have changes of clothing brought to school. Please have your student dress appropriately for the snow and muddy terrain (snow pants, splash pants, boots, mitts and hat). Please also send **EXTRA CLOTHING** with students of all ages to change into in case they get wet or muddy (pants, socks, sweater extra mitts). We will be limiting access to the messiest areas of the yard to try and assist with this, and to keep the mud out of the school. Hopefully the ground can freeze soon so that we can have the full run of the yard again!

**Holiday Food Drive:** Donations will be collected from Monday Nov 30-Friday Dec 4

On Friday Dec 4, all donations that have been received by the Wednesday will be used in an in-class construction challenge. Students will need to work collaboratively to build a creative structure using only the items that have been donated. Each class will then take a picture and share it with ADMIN where all submissions will be judged on creativity. There will be some type of prize for the most creative submission from each division, primary, junior, and intermediate. Good luck everyone!

**Kindness Campaign:** This month we will be revisiting our Kindness Campaign. Staff will be keeping extra close eyes open for students demonstrating random acts of kindness towards their peers or staff. Then they will have the opportunity to fill in a Google form submitting that student's name for a draw for a new winter themed mask. If you child/ren is learning remotely, do not fear, you can participate as well. Please submit your child's name to either administrator and we will enter them into the draw as well. The draw will be held on Dec 14th so that students can sport their new masks the week before the holidays.

**Home and School/School Council** meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month (except December). Next Home and School Meeting Jan 14th at 6:30 pm (no School Council at this meeting)

Please join us. Parents of students in Full Remote Learning are encouraged to participate. The Meeting ID is: 995 1616 6248 Passcode 852305 and the link to join the meeting is <https://zoom.us/join>

**Need to borrow skates for the winter?** Mme Boomen is trying to determine if there is any interest in making available the many skates that have been donated throughout the years. For years staff have organized repeating skating field trips for students. One of the many changes as a result of this pandemic is that this field trip will not be occurring this year. That being said, we have a huge number of skates that have been donated (most particularly for those in grades 1-6), finding the adult sizes is always more challenging. If there is sufficient interest, we will arrange for an outdoor display of skates (most likely after school). They will be lent out using an honour system. We would expect that they please be returned when they are no longer useful for your family unit.

If you are interested please complete the following survey [Skating Survey](#) Merci! Madame Boomen

**Lester B. Pearson School for the Arts:** For families with a child in grades 3 - 7, there will be a virtual Open House on Monday, November 30th, 2020 through a private YouTube link made available from their website @ 7pm. Registration for a workshop is also posted on their website [pearson.tvdsb.ca](http://pearson.tvdsb.ca) or follow the link <https://forms.gle/TmCEh77SL6kZXgbB6> . The workshops will be held virtually at the end of February.

**From the mouths of our littlest Raptors:**

Student: Mme can you peel my orange? Staff: That's a banana. Do you want me to peel your banana? Student: looks at banana, walks to lunch bag, comes back with orange, Mme can you peel my orange?

**Upcoming RCFI Spirit Days.** Photo submissions can be viewed on RCFI School Spirit Google classroom (join code y2mbhec) - must use a GOTVDSB account to access it (every student has one).  
December 18th - Red and Green Jingle Day (last day of classes prior to the winter break)  
January 21st - Mystery Day (each class picks secret mystery theme - google hangout with a buddy class to guess each other's theme)  
February 12th - Pyjama Day  
March 12th - Tropical Vacation Day (to welcome in March Break)

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