

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration Feb 15 edition

MISSION: TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

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

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Happy Family Day Weekend! The staff and students are back into their learning routines, COVID protocols in place. One area where we are still working on, particularly with the older grades, is having students wear their masks when on the yard, when they are unable to maintain their social distance. If you could please remind your child(ren) of the importance of both social distancing whenever possible, and wearing face coverings appropriately when it is not possible to be physically distant from others (i.e. playing a game at recess). We appreciate your support in the implementation of these protocols to keep everyone, staff and students, safe while at school.

Snack Program: We are currently able to offer fresh produce snack options for students in need on an ongoing basis. In addition, **beginning the week of Feb 16th** we will be following a schedule for delivering whole class snacks to classrooms on a rotating basis. For now our goal is to deliver snacks to classrooms one time per week. On Tuesdays snacks will be delivered to classrooms inside the building, Wednesdays to the Village (loose portables), and Thursdays to the Portapak.

SouthWest Public Health: The most up to date decision tool is attached as a pdf. Compliance with public health guidance in schools starts at home. When dropping off or picking up students from school it is important that parents model ideal public health behaviours. This means when parents are dropping their students off at school or picking them up it is important that everyone wears a face covering over their nose and mouth and does their best to keep a 2-metre distance from others.

Mask Exemptions at School: Please be aware that there are legitimate medical reasons why some students may not be able to wear a face mask at school. We do have a few students who have exemptions on file at RCFI. These students and their families have followed TVDSB protocols, and should not be treated differently because they are not wearing a mask.

Grade 1 Registration: We are still accepting registrations for Grade 1 for September 2021. Please encourage families to reach out to the school if they have questions, or need assistance with registering.

Home and School Association meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month.

Next Home and School Meeting is April 8th at 6:30 pm

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>

RCHSA is Hosting a poll on their FB page: They would like to know your thoughts on a fundraising possibility. They have found a company that will deliver products directly to homes, and wondered since the product would not be onsite at the school...if families would be okay if they ran a fundraiser that involved food products? Obviously, if someone bought food products that contained any of the allergens that can not be at school, those items could not be sent in lunches, but could be consumed at home. I have created [a link](#) to a google form through which you can share your thoughts.

Opportunities to get involved at Roch Carrier (virtually):

We have two new opportunities for parents to get involved at RC. The **first** is through our Safe and Inclusive School Team (formerly known as our Safe Schools Team). This committee will involve staff, admin, students, parents, and possibly community members, collaborating to build a plan to address the needs of our school to

ensure that students feel safe and comfortable at school. If you are interested please use this [link](#) to share your contact information.

The **second** opportunity is for the Attendance Area Review Committee that will begin in early March. This committee will be involved in meetings surrounding addressing the overpopulation of our school, and the plan to address this situation. This committee has specific criteria for composition. There will be 8 members plus Administrators. We have must have:

- Two parents who have children currently enrolled at RCFI primary (grades 1-3)
- Two parents who have children currently enrolled at RCFI junior (grades 4-6)
- Two parents who have children currently enrolled at RCFI intermediate (grades 7-8)
- We must have the Chair or delegate from RCHSA
- We must have the Chair or delegate from the School Council.

**If your child is in Full Remote Learning you are welcome to volunteer.

*If you are employed by TVDSB (part-time/full time) you are not eligible to participate.

Please use the following [link](#) to indicate your interest in putting forward your name.

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).

March 12th - Tropical Vacation Day

April 23rd - Sports Day

May 21st - 80s and 90s Day

June 18th - Twins/Triplets Day

Dates to Remember:

Feb 15 Family Day Holiday

Feb 24 Pink Shirt Day

March 5 PD Day

March 11 RCHSA Meeting 6:30pm ZOOM

New Dates for Spring Break, please update your calendars!

Monday April 12-Friday April 16

Your devoted Administrators,

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