

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration March 22 edition

MISSION: TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

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

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Greetings, we hope that your family enjoyed our Jewel Heist/Scavenger hunt that occurred on Wednesday this past week. It was one of several festive activities staff organized to celebrate St Paddy's Day, as well as what would have been March Break. We are very lucky with the creativity and initiative that our staff put forth for our students.

We are rounding the bend towards our new spring break dates, and we ask families to continue to encourage their children to remain vigilant in our COVID protocols (masks on and covering both nose and mouth), and in bringing masks, and filled water bottles daily. Together we can reduce the chance of spread COVID within our community.

Woodstock Attendance Area Review (WAAR) update:

Thank you to the numerous volunteers who submitted their names for consideration for this committee. All successful applicants have been contacted by the School Board. Your representatives on this committee will be: Angie Poirier (RCHSA Rep), Christina Hewitt (School Council Rep), Primary division reps ~ Erin Aldridge and Kevin King, Junior division reps ~ Heather McDowell and Laurie Palmer, Intermediate division reps ~ Lindsay Wilson and Melissa MacLean.

Regional Meeting will be held virtually on March 25th at 7:00pm.

If you have questions/concerns about this process, they can be logged at the following website:

<https://www.tvdsb.ca/en/woodstock-attendance-area-review.aspx#>

Did You Know? On **Saturday, March 20, the International Francophonie Day** is celebrated by over 220 million francophone speakers around the world!

At Roch Carrier we would like to celebrate our belonging to the Francophone culture ***starting on Monday, March 15 until Friday, March 26:***

Students are encouraged to wear clothes with French logos, slogans or symbols. Students can create their own French clothing, for example by designing their own (appropriate) message in French and taping it over their shirt. Have fun and be creative! Each time students wear their French attire, they will earn a "**Franco-point**" which will be entered in a draw.

Students can also earn a "**Franco-point**" when they get caught speaking French, for example at recess, with their friends during snack or anytime. Each day, teachers will submit student names and those names will be entered to win a t-shirt!

Here are some suggestions on how we can extend our celebration of French outside of school: borrow more books in French from our library, speak French with your siblings at home, switch your TV or radio station to French, browse some websites in French, listen to French music!

Thank you for your participation and support! Vive le français!

Every Student Belongs Family Survey - (Grade 1-6)

The Thames Valley District School Board (TVDSB) is working to gain a better understanding of the diverse backgrounds of students and families across the district. To provide information that will help achieve this goal, TVDSB launched the Every Student Belongs Survey in December, 2020. The survey is guided by Ontario's Equity Action Plan, which asks school boards to collect information about students and staff related to their background (for example, their race, ethnicity, religion, gender identity, sexual orientation, disabilities).

Families of children in Kindergarten to Grade 6 will now be invited to complete the survey on behalf of their children beginning on March 11th.

The primary parent or guardian contact of all students in Kindergarten to Grade 6 will receive an email that contains a personalized link to the Every Student Belongs Survey. If you have more than one child, you will receive a separate email for each child. More information about the survey, including additional options for completing the survey, will be provided to you by email or in a letter home with your child.

For more information about the survey, please visit the website: www.tvdsb.ca/everystudentbelongs.

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.

Ramadan: Alternate supervised lunch space available starting April 12th, for students who are fasting and would like to not be in their lunchrooms. Please contact the school office to let us know if you would like this option for your child(ren), we will need to track who is in the room for COVID tracing.

Home and School Association meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month. FYI no meeting in April due to spring break.

Next School Council and Home and School Meeting is May 13 at 6:00 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>

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).

April 23rd - Sports Day

May 21st - 80s and 90s Day

June 18th - Twins/Triplets Day

Dates to Remember:

March 25 WAAR Meeting 7:00-9:00 pm (virtual)

March 31 Grade 8 Grad Photos onsite

Apr 2-5 Easter Weekend

April 8 School Council and Home and School Meeting

April 12-15 Spring Break

Your devoted Administrators,

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