

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration March 8 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 this past week included some highlights for your child(ren) as we were able to host our Covid friendly winter play day events over two days. Thank you to Mme Preet, our Noon Hour Supervisor, who was able to help Mme Chamberlain with making and serving hot chocolate to each student over the two days. We also had a surprise visitor on Wednesday, Bonhomme Carvaval!

Woodstock Attendance Area Review (WAAR) update:

Please see the attached document for information regarding the process, and how to put your name forward to be on the committee. See attachment. Deadline to submit your name for participation on the school committee is March 9th at 8:00 am.

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#>

Reminders: It has been FIXED! Our water bottle filling station is back up and running. We are also scheduled to have our new water bottle filling station installed this week. Please remember to send your child to school each day with a FILLED water bottle as this keeps the line up small first thing in the morning.

Parents on the yard at entry and dismissal are reminded to **please wear masks** and model social distancing for our students.

Dismissal routine adjustments have been made to our students exiting loose portables (a.k.a. The Village) and the Portapac. They will all be exiting along the east side of the building onto the asphalt play area. Students who ride buses parked at the front of the school will follow the path near the LST room to make their way to their buses, all other bus students will use the gate near the parking lot to access their buses. If you are picking up your child on a regular basis, please meet us on the asphalt and we will connect you to them and let the office know. These changes will allow us to no longer block access to our parking lot at the end of the day.

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

Snack Program: Watch for the upcoming "Great Big Crunch" on March 11 during March Nutrition Month where the Ontario School Nutrition Program will deliver apples for each student to crunch on local apples in schools to promote student nutrition programs.

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 March 18th at 6:30 pm

We are pleased to announce that our Superintendent Mr. Dennis Wright, will be online with us for a portion of the meeting to answer any questions related to the WAAR.

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).

March 11th - Great Big Crunch

March 12th - Tropical Vacation Day

April 23rd - Sports Day

May 21st - 80s and 90s Day

June 18th - Twins/Triplets Day

Dates to Remember:

March 9 Deadline to submit your application for WAAR Committee

March 11 RCHSA Meeting 6:30pm ZOOM

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

Apr 2-5 Easter Weekend

April 12-15 Spring Break

Your devoted Administrators,

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