

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration May 16 Edition

MISSION: TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

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

Principal: A. Maddox Vice Principal: J. Moodie

Superintendent: D. Wright

Admin. Assistant: T. Kormendi/A. Law

Trustees: Barb Yeoman, Graham Hart

Warm Weather!

Now that the warm weather is back, we are reminding all students to bring their own water bottle to have in class and to refill at our water filling stations. Our school water fountains have not yet been turned back on! So it would be very helpful if students could please bring a water bottle from home.

Spring CODE RED/LOCKDOWN Drill

All Thames Valley schools are required to perform a lockdown drill in the fall and the spring. The lockdown drill will take place on **Tuesday May 24, 2022**. This practice is necessary to help ensure that our students and staff will be able to quickly respond should it ever be necessary to "lock down" our school. In most circumstances, a lockdown would simply mean that the hallways, gymnasium, and washrooms would be cleared, classroom doors are locked and drapes drawn, door windows covered and lights off. A lockdown would only be declared if there was a potentially dangerous situation in the neighborhood, or in our school. Students will remain with their teacher until the police give the "all-clear", or the school administration is satisfied that the problem has been rectified, and the school is safe.

The safety of our students is our number one priority. This drill will help us prepare for an emergency situation. However, as with a fire drill, it is most important that the children remain calm and feel safe. The lockdown drill will not be a simulation activity, but simply a few minutes where students remain with their teacher in their classroom, continue with their studies and then return to normal day once the "all clear" is given. We need your help to ensure that the children understand the purpose for such a drill, so we ask that you please help us prepare them. Help them to understand that if the police were dealing with a situation in our neighborhood, or if a stranger refused to leave our school, their teachers would keep them safe in their classrooms until the issue can be looked after. For our youngest children, it might be best to perform a lockdown drill at your home. They should understand that if the police were handling a dangerous situation on your street, you would keep them inside, lock the doors and keep everyone away from the windows.

Thank you for assisting us in preparing the children for these drills.

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FYI to all families with students in either grade 3 or grade 6.

Dates for Grade 6 testing have been set: Wednesday May 25th, and Thursday May 26

Dates for Grade 3 testing Wednesday June 1 and Thursday June 2

Transportation Scenario to be aware of:

New to us at RC this year now that there is a French Immersion boundary within Oxford County.

For a Joint Custody bus application to be approved, both residences must be in the same boundary.

If they are NOT, the Out of Boundary address can still use the Joint Custody form, but would only be assigned to the closest existing stop within the Roch Carrier boundary. For many of the families, this COULD mean going PAST the school to drop their student off for them to bus back to the school due to the nature of the north/south split.

Any family can apply via the Joint Custody form (22-23) and each application will be reviewed.

Dual Track:

Families who are destined for Oliver Stephens for September have been invited to attend (virtually (through TEAMS) or in person) the final School Council meeting for this year. It will be at 6:00 pm on Monday June 6, 2022. A link to join virtually will be shared closer to the date.

The Principal from Oliver Stephens asked that I share her email address with families in case they wish to reach

out to her. Mme Aspden's email is d.aspden@tvdsb.ca

Dates to Remember:

May 16 - Track and Field (school based event) for students in Grades 4&5
May 17 - Track and Field (school based event) for students in Grades 6-7-8
(Track and Field event for primary students will be run in June)
May 23 - Victoria Day Weekend
May 24 - Code Red Drill
May 25 & 26 Grade 6 EQAO testing
May 31 - Grade 1 (2022/23) French Immersion Open House
May 31 - Regional Track and Field event for grades 4-8 who qualify
May 31 - Primary Track and Field Day (at RCFI)
June 1 & 2 Grade 3 EQAO testing
June 3 - PD Day
June 10 - RCHSA hosting movie night at RCFI (more details to follow)
June 24 - Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony
June 27 - Report Cards go home
June 29 - Last Day of School

Have a wonderful weekend everyone !

Your devoted Administrators,
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