

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration May 9 Edition

MISSION: TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

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

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Trustees: Barb Yeoman, Graham Hart

Jump Rope for Heart !!!

What an amazing set of days we have experienced this week. Our Gr 1-6 students were out on the yard, learning some new tricks, building some new friendships, and enjoying the spring weather. Thank you to the parents who were able to join us as supervisors over the two days. We hope you enjoyed being onsite with us. Huge thanks go to the students in Mme Lebel, Mme Parker, Mme Nixon, and Mme Hughes' classes as they ran all of the events, and guided the teams around the property. We will now start working on a Hoops for Heart event for our Grade 6/7-8's next week.

DOMINO's Fundraiser coming soon - proceeds will support our end of year celebration at RCFI of our entire community. May 8-12, 2022 ~ [see flyer for details](#)

School Council/Home and School Association

Our next School Council meeting will be Thursday May 12 at 6:00 pm followed immediately by the Home and School meeting, via ZOOM. Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85488557281?pwd=REFqSmtTVzVZT2ZDdjRJMmh4VFduQT09>

Meeting ID: 854 8855 7281 Passcode: 332001

Piste et Pelouse! Track and Field!

On Monday May 9, students in grade 4-8 are bringing home a copy of their schedule with their group for our Track and Field Meet. They are also bringing home a schedule for our amazing parent volunteers. If you have any questions about the schedule or the meet, please contact Mme Hughes.

On Monday May 16, students in grades 4 and 5 will participate in at least 5 different track and field events. On Tuesday May 17, students in grades 6, 7 and 8 will do the same.

Please dress for the weather and ensure all students have running shoes for the day. A full lunch bag and lots of water are also a good idea. Students will be outside for the entire day.

Thank you so much to our grade 6 students who have helped Mme Hughes prepare!

Bonne chance Raptors! Good Luck Raptors!

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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Thanks to everyone for your contributions and participation that made our Multicultural event, "Roch Around the World" so successful. It was wonderful to see so many families and to all be together for a presentation in the gym! I think that this event was right inline with the goals for our Safe and Inclusive School Plan. It was wonderful to see how many of our students felt a sense of pride and belonging as many of their cultures were represented. Let's plan to do this again next year.

EQAO

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

Transition Planning for second FI school

We know that this information is eagerly anticipated...the staff that will be transitioning to Oliver Stephens French Immersion program for September 2022/23 are: Alicia Streeter, Mariam Beshara, Robert Duplain, Melanie Lebel, Kimberlee Havens, Michelle Kidd, Natasha Regehr, Hannah Lebel, and Morgan Talbot.

Don't forget to join us for the open house at Oliver Stephens for incoming French Immersion students. [See flyer](#)

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.

The following Administrative procedures and Board polices have been updated:

- [Asbestos Management Procedure Program \(2005a\)](#) – REVISED
- [Privacy and the Management of Personal Information Procedure \(2014b\)](#) – REVISED
- [Trustee Recognitions Policy \(2034\)](#) – NEW
- [Trustee Recognitions Procedure 2034a](#) – NEW

Dates to Remember:

May 8-12 Domino's Pizza Fundraiser for RCFI - proceeds to support an end of year celebration for the entire RCFI community

May 9 - Oliver Stephens French Immersion Open House (incoming Gr 1-7 welcome)

May 12 - School Council 6:00 pm and Home and School Meeting 6:30pm

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 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 24 - Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony

June 27 - Report Cards go home

June 29 - Last Day of School

Your devoted Administrators,

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