

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration Sept 7 Edition

MISSION: TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

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

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WELCOME BACK !

We are so excited to welcome families back to Roch Carrier for the 2022/23 school year. Staff have been working hard to ensure that the classrooms and the entire building are ready for our students. We would also like to share that we have learned that the school will be receiving some renovations this year. Due to this, some classrooms, and the main office have been relocated. The office is now located in room 4 (Monsieur Duplain's old room). We are still working on some of the logistics, like the doorbell, and PA system. If you stop by the school prior to the first day, please come on in (the door should be unlocked) and we are just past the washrooms on the right.



Renovations will not begin until some time this fall, but we wanted to have everything set up in advance to limit disruptions mid school year.

Registrations continue to roll in which is resulting in us having to revisit class lists. We want to give families the heads up that should this trend continue, this could lead to a reorganisation in the fall.

Staffing Updates

Welcome to Terri Vanpee who will be taking over the reigns in our office this year. She is getting all settled in this week and looks forward to meeting families as the school year begins.

We would also like to welcome Jennifer Johnstone to the Grade 2 classroom for the year in an LTO position. Jennifer finished last year in one of our Grade 4 classrooms, and has been working very hard to get her new classroom all set up to welcome the Grade 2s back next week.

NEW Daily Schedule:

8:45 am morning supervision begins on the yard - Please do not drop children off prior to supervision starting. Thank you

9:00 am - 11:00 am First Block

11:00-11:20-11:40 am First Break (Building and Portables eat first, then play/Portapac plays first then eats)

11:40-1:00 pm Second Block

1:00-1:25-1:50 pm Second Break (Building and Portables eat first, then play/Portapac plays first then eats)

1:50-3:30 pm Third Block

School Council and RCHSA

We would like to invite families to join us for our first in person meeting of both School Council and Home and School on Thursday September 22, 2022. We will begin promptly at 6:00pm with School Council, and the HSA meeting will follow immediately afterwards.

Messages from STS:

Possible Bus Driver Shortages

Parents and guardians are asked to prepare for school bus service disruptions. Unfortunately, it is possible we may experience some driver shortages in our service area. The reality of driver shortages means route cancellations will be unavoidable in some cases. We recommend that you check our website in the morning and afternoon and download the BusPlanner Delays app to stay up to date.

****New** Eight Light Amber-Red Warning Light System on School Buses Coming July 2022**

Ontario will require all school buses manufactured on or after January 1, 2005 to be equipped with four (4) overhead amber signal-lights and four (4) overhead red signal-lights. The current system in place in Ontario uses red lights only. The new Eight Lamp Amber-Red Warning system uses two stages of flashing overhead signal-lights to signal that a school bus is slowing (amber lights) and stopping (red lights) to improve clarity to surrounding road users. The adoption of this system will improve student transportation and road safety and align

Ontario with measures taken in all other provinces who have already adopted the Eight Lamp Amber-Red warning system. School buses servicing schools in the London District Catholic School Board and Thames Valley District School Board will be retrofitted over the summer in order to ensure compliance with the new regulatory requirements.

Looking for backup Noon Hour Supervisors

If you are interested in working for a few hours each week as a lunchroom and yard supervisor (approx. 1 hour/day), please contact Mme Moodie by email at jen.moodie@tvdsb.ca. We will continue to be a Balanced Day school next year with a 40 minute break in the morning and a 50 minutes break in the afternoon.

Dates to Remember:

Sept 7: First Day of School (WEDNESDAY)

Sept 9: Grade 6&7 students to London Airshow field trip (forms may be emailed prior to start of year, watch email)

Sept 22: School Code Red Drill (mandatory practice)

Sept 22: School Council Meeting 6:00pm; RCHSA Meeting 6:30pm

Your devoted Administrators,
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