

RCFI Weekly Memo to Families from Administration Sept 11 Edition

MISSION: TO IMPROVE OUR STUDENTS' ORAL PROFICIENCY IN FRENCH

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

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What a great first week!

It is so wonderful to have the students and families back in the school. There is a buzz of excitement in the classrooms, hallways and on the yard. We hope that it is carrying over to when the students get home. We even had the opportunity to host our first assembly.

I must also send a huge thank you to all of the parents who volunteered to assist with Kitchen Clean Up. We have many volunteers who came in on Friday (today) and got our kitchen and supplies all tidied up and organized so that we can look at initiating our snack program soon. What an incredible community, thank you so much.

Please remember to verify your Student's Information in the parent portal as soon as possible.

Morning Drop Offs

Before school:

As the students become more comfortable with being back at school and our morning routines, we ask that families say their goodbyes at the gate and not enter the school property. This assists staff in managing the yard, ensuring a safe environment for all students. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

During the school day:

Please enter the school via the front door (near flag pole) and report to the office for signing in/out. Your child will then head to class on their own.

Things to Watch for Coming Home:

Intermediate (Gr 7&8) Coed Soccer team information (Coaches: Mme Boomen and Mme Beatty) as well as Cross Country Running (Gr 3-8) (Coaches: Mme Roth and Mme Hughes) information was sent home this week, or will be coming home soon.

IPOCs For those students with a prevalent medical condition (i.e. Anaphylactic Allergies, Epilepsy, Asthma, Diabetes), please ensure that you have reviewed your child's Individualized Plan of Care through the Parent Portal and made the necessary changes prior to submitting it to the school. You can also generate a new IPOC if your child has a new diagnosis or if you are new to TVDSB. These documents follow students between schools in Thames Valley, so if you are new to Roch Carrier, but were at a TVDSB school last year, it should still be accessible through the parent portal. Also, please remember that if your child requires medicine to be administered at school you must have a Doctor sign off on a PRN form that can be found through the Parent Portal as well. This form must be completed yearly.

Snack Program

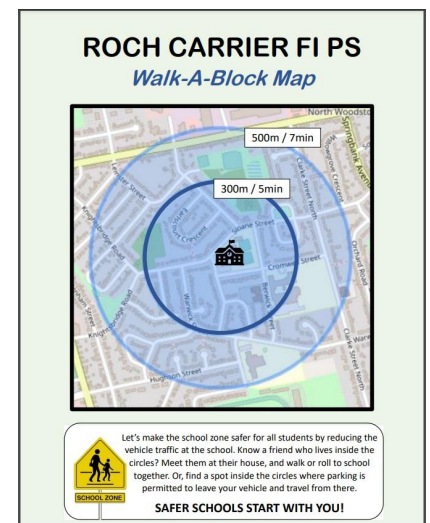
We are looking for volunteers to help with our snack program. It will be starting up soon, and with our additional funding it will be running five days a week. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out directly to our snack coordinator Janet Surette at (specialoccasions@gmail.com),

Parking lot

There are simply not enough parking spots in our lot to accommodate our staff as well as all of the construction vehicles. Therefore we are asking parents to use street parking for drop offs and pick ups until the renovation is complete mid October. Thank you for your cooperation while the renovation finishes.

Reminder with regards to Parking

The number of vehicles in and around the school property at drop off and pick up times each day is significant. In order to ensure the safety of all members of the school community and neighbourhood, we ask that families please abide by the



parking signs posted throughout our school zone. We have attached a link indicating where parking is and where it is not permitted by City Bylaws for your reference (<https://www.cityofwoodstock.ca/en/residential-services/school-zones.aspx>). We would hate to see anyone receive a ticket should the Bylaw Officer be on site during these times. Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe.

Where can I drop off my child? For those families who are dropping off students in the morning. Supervision on the yard begins each morning at 8:45, so we ask that you do not drop your child(ren) off before that time.

Drop off spots in the morning: we have a few options

- You can look at the Drop and Walk 5 map, for areas you can safely stop and let your child out. They would then walk the short distance to the school yard.
- If your child can not exit the car independently, you will need to find street parking near the school, and walk your child to the yard. Leave them at the gate (after the first day) to join the other students and supervising staff on the yard. See the link in the section about parking to identify locations where parking near the school is permitted.

****The school parking lot will be accessible but there are limited spots.

Pick ups

If you know you will be picking your child up from school, please ensure you let the office know as early as possible so that we can ensure a smooth dismissal.

If you are picking up your child **during the day**, or for a special occasion at the end of the day. These pickups will be facilitated through the office. Please go to the front door of the school and buzz the office.

If your student is always picked up, or walks home - they will be dismissed at the baseball diamond (until our tarmac space becomes available again once the renovation is complete)

All bus students will load via the walkway between the baseball diamond and the parking lot.

Student Accident Insurance

For the 2023-24 school year we are pleased to offer families the option of two student accident insurance providers to choose from if they wish to purchase insurance for their children. Please include this information and the links below in your school newsletters so that parents are aware of their option to purchase.

<https://www.studyinsuredstudentaccident.com/> <https://insuremykids.com>

Please don't forget: all Family Weekly Memos can be found (sorted by year) on our school website at <https://rochcarrier.tvdsb.ca/en/our-school/school-newsletters.aspx>

Dates to Remember:

Sept 12: Sarah Westbrook presentation (full school)

Sept 20 - Code Red Drill

Sept 22 - Terry Fox Run (school wide)

Sept 25 - Francophonie Day (wear green and white)

Sept 27 - Rowan's Law Day (wear purple)

Sept 28 - Picture Day

Sept 29 - Orange Shirt Day (wear orange)

Your devoted Administrator,

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