

## École Ross Road School

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Dear Ross Road Families,

On behalf of the staff at Ross Road Elementary, we would like to welcome back families returning from last year and extend a special welcome to students attending our school for the first time this year.

For many of us, the beginning of a new school year is an exciting time, and for others it is a time of apprehension. Past experience tells us that we overcome our anxieties as we settle into new routines and focus on our learning. Students in grade 1-7 have now moved to their new classes for the 2023-2024 school year. Class placement is an intricate process involving many layers. The staff at Ross Road have committed time working together as a team to thoughtfully consider the best placement for your child based on a number of factors including parent input (submitted in May), learning needs, social grouping, to create balanced and effective learning environments. We ask that you trust the process and give your child some time to settle into their new learning environment.

## **Permission Forms**

You were recently sent an important communication from the school district regarding the completion of **district permission forms** using the <u>school cash</u> <u>online</u> system. **It is important these are completed this week**. Please contact the office if you require support. We are happy to help. There will also be some paper permission forms coming home next week to be completed.

## Pancake Breakfast

On Friday, September 15, starting at 8am, the staff at Ross Road will be serving pancakes and hot chocolate, plus coffee for the adults! To help make this as environmentally friendly as possible, we ask that you **bring your own plate, cutlery, and cup**. We hope you can join us for this fun community event!

We are confident that with all of us working together, we can provide our students a happy, safe, and rewarding 2023-2024 school year.

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