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***The School Community of Ross Road strives to support potential for all that values diversity and is built in a safe and caring environment.
Ross Road is welcoming, caring and inclusive. We foster a culture of engaged learners and critical thinkers are responsible and respectful. As a school community we promote a sense of belonging for all.***

Monday Message

Dear Ross Road Families,

Students and staff have had a great first week at school. September is a busy and exciting time for school staff and students. At Ross Road, we acknowledge that social emotional learning sets the foundation for personal, social and intellectual growth and we are committed to working together to provide a caring and compassionate school environment for all children. Students are settling in and we are working on establishing routines, understandings and relationships that will help us experience a successful year of learning.

Today, we reviewed the Code of Conduct and important school rules and heard about how everyone can help make Ross Road a kind, caring and inclusive place. The [Ross Road handbook](#), including the Code of Conduct and other important information, can be located on the school website as well as inside student agendas. You are encouraged to review it with your child.

For those of you new to Ross Road, we will be sending home a weekly communication called "The Monday Message". It includes important updates or information we wish to share as well as a look ahead at important upcoming dates.

Daily Health Check and What to do about student illness

All families must continue to complete a [daily health check](#) on their child(ren). Please review this online document as it has been recently

updated. It includes how and when a student can return to school and the steps to follow if there is an illness.

Student permission forms

This week students will bring home a package that includes many important documents and forms for completion. Please return these to the classroom teacher no later than **October 8th**. We appreciate your support with these important documents. Please also remember to sign forms in your [school cash online](#) account including the one-time acknowledgement of the daily health check, photo permission, safe use of technology and walking field trip permission forms. None of these require any payments. For students using the Ross Road agenda or to purchase school supplies for Kindergarten to grade 3 students, you can pay for these online in your school cash online account. If you need support, please email or call the office rossroad@sd44.ca.

Pick-up/Drop-off

This is a reminder to please follow posted signage and speed limits. The student pick-up/ and drop-off area is not for parking in. If your child(ren) need(s) to be picked up from or walked to class by an adult please find a suitable parking spot. The area on Bushnell in front of the playground is for students to hop out independently and walk to class.

Meet the Staff Night

If you have looked ahead on the calendar you may have noticed a tentative annual 'Meet the Staff night' scheduled for the evening of September 23rd. We are awaiting confirmation from school district staff to determine if this can be an in-person event. We will provide further information as soon as we are able.

Terry Fox Run

École Ross Road Elementary is proud to be continuing the legacy of one of our greatest heroes by participating in the annual Terry Fox run on Friday September 24th. Please join us and support this wonderful cause by donating to: <http://www.terryfox.ca/RossRoadElementary>. Together, we can all make a difference!

Toonies or cash will also be accepted but **online donations are preferred**. There *may* be a call for adult volunteers to support this run in accordance with health and safety guidelines. If you are interested in volunteering please contact: ecapelle@sd44.ca

Microsoft Teams & Office 365

Many teachers will be using Microsoft Teams again this year and many students will continue to use their Office 365 account. Support documents

can be found at:

https://www.sd44.ca/parents/techservicesandresources/tech_support/Pages/default.aspx#/=

Under the Office 365 Support folder.

PAC Fundraiser-The Card Project

Over the next few weeks, the students will be completing their masterpieces for 'The Card Project'! Every child who has completed the online consent form will receive a free greeting card that showcases their art with their name and grade printed on the back.

If you would like your child to participate in The Card Project this year, you must complete the online consent form. Please go to www.thecardproject.ca to sign up. Deadline to complete the consent form, so that your child can participate in The Card Project, is Friday, October 1, 2021

FreshSchools - Class Assignments

Parents/guardians, the PAC needs your help! Fresh schools is an online platform that the Ross Road PAC used to communicate with families. All students have been moved up to their current grade in FreshSchools, but the PAC needs your help to add your child(ren)'s class(es). Please log in to your child's profile, "edit" and choose your child(ren)'s class(es) from the drop-down "class" menu. This must be done from your desktop, not the app. Detailed instructions can be found on our website: [FreshSchools-Adding a Class](#). If you are new to FreshSchools then please sign up here: [FreshSchools Sign Up](#)

Important Dates:

September 22-Individual photos, PAC meeting 7pm

September 23-6:30pm Meet the staff night

September 24-Terry Fox run

September 27-Oct 1-Truth and Reconciliation Week

September 29-Orange Shirt Day

September 30-National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no school)

October 1-Curriculum Implementation Day (professional day, students not in attendance)

Please remember to check the school [website](#) for important dates, a copy of all school newsletter and other important information. You are also encouraged to subscribe to the [school calendar](#).

<https://www.sd44.ca/school/rossroad/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Kind regards,

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