



## École Ross Road School

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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 who are responsible and respectful. As a school community we promote a sense of belonging for all.***

### Monday Message

Dear Ross Road Families,

Today is an exciting day at school. If you are a family that celebrates Halloween with fireworks, we kindly request that you do not set them off on school grounds. Tomorrow, we welcome any adults who wish to help and join us as we do a school ground sweep before school and pick up all the post-Halloween debris. You will see us out bright and early with garbage bags. Please remind your child not to touch or pick up anything themselves.

### **Scholastic Book Fair November 2022**

***Come to our first in-person book fair since 2019!*** Book fairs provide a convenient point of purchase for holiday gifts that promote literacy with a focus on diversity and inclusion. They benefit the school library with a percentage (sliding scale 15-60%) of proceeds being returned in free books. ***For your convenience, the book fair days include parent/guardian-teacher conference days.***

Mark the dates and times on your calendar:

#### **November 10, 14**

8:10-8:40 am, 12:15-12:45, 3:00-3:45pm

#### **November 15-17 - P/T conference (early dismissal) days:**

8:10-8:40 am, 12:15-12:45 pm, 2:00-3:30pm

We are seeking parent volunteers to work at the fair. Please email our librarian Ms. Maria McAllister at [mmcallister@sd44.ca](mailto:mmcallister@sd44.ca) to sign up. *Be sure to complete the Parent Volunteer Application form available at the office.*

### **Reminder: Student and Family Affordability Fund (SFAF)**

Recently, the Superintendent sent an important communication regarding the Student and Family Affordability Fund. This one-time targeted, special funding from the Ministry of Education and Child Care can be used to offset school-related expenses incurred during the current school year. Examples of eligible expenses include:

- School fees
- School supplies
- Clothing/footwear
- Basic necessities
- Family food security (groceries)
- PAC hot lunch
- One-day field trips

To request this confidential financial support at any time throughout the 2022-2023 school year, please complete one or both of the following forms:

- [Application to Waive School Fee form](#)  
*Use this form to request a waiver of school fees such as costs for courses or programs, cultural events, activities, one-day field trips, instrument rental, and athletics fees.*
- [Request for Family Assistance form](#)  
*Use this form to request support for expenses including, for example, school/course supplies, clothing/footwear, basic necessities, family food security and PAC hot lunch.*

Please contact the school if you need support accessing a form [rossroad@sd44.ca](mailto:rossroad@sd44.ca) or directly with the principal [klechleiter@sd44.ca](mailto:klechleiter@sd44.ca). We are happy to print a copy and send it home. Copies of the forms and further information is also available [here](#). Please also consider visiting the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) web page.

### **PAC Information**

#### **The Card Project**

Students have completed their masterpieces for The Card Project! Please go online to see your child's art and place an order. If you would like to receive your order by the end of November, please place your order now.

The **Priority order deadline** is this **Sunday, November 6** for delivery in the week of November 21 to 25.

To place your order:

1. Go to [www.TheCardProject.ca](http://www.TheCardProject.ca)
2. Click on "TO ORDER"
3. Click on "USE MY SCHOOL ACCESS CODE" and enter our School Access Code: RR97.
4. Find your child's class (use the dropdown menu to find the division and teacher) and then enter your child's first name.
5. You can personalize your products (if you wish) and then order the cards and products you like.

If you have any questions or need assistance with orders, please contact:  
Marcelle at The Card Project: [Marcelle@TheCardProject.ca](mailto:Marcelle@TheCardProject.ca); or  
Michele, PAC Coordinator for The Card  
Project: [mikeandmichele2009@live.ca](mailto:mikeandmichele2009@live.ca)

**Important Dates:**

October 31 – Halloween

November 2 – PAC Meeting

November 8 – National Indigenous Veterans Day

November 10 – Remembrance Day assembly-students invited to wear uniforms (guides, beavers, cadets, etc)

November 10, 14, 15-17 – Scholastic Book Fair (specified times only)

November 11 – Remembrance Day, no school

November 14 – Photo retake day

November 15, 16, 17 – Early dismissal at 1:50pm for student-teacher-parent/guardian conferences (more information to come soon)

November 17 – Grade 6 immunizations & F05, F08 Bike safety lesson

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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