



# Rosedale P.S April 2022



From the Principal's Desk:

Welcome to April! We seem to have gotten a blast of winter lately but hopefully spring is somewhere around the corner. Our final three months of school will be very busy and filled with many exciting learning opportunities. With many of the protocols being lifted we are able to have our students return to working in groups and have removed the cohort requirement while outside at recess. This is taking a bit of adjustment for our students as they relearn and remember how to work more closely and with larger groups of students.

We will be kicking off our start to the Easter Weekend with a Bunny Hop! Big thank you to Mr. Murdock and Mrs. Vince for organizing this event. A flyer went home earlier this week and does ask for a \$2 donation as we are trying to build up our fundraising bank so we can subsidize end of school trips—which are on again as well. Students are welcome to wear their bunny costumes as they dance away in the gym on April 14th.

While I know that sometimes our older students think they are either too old or too cool to dress warmly for the cold weather, Rosedale staff tries to insist that they dress appropriately for outdoor recess and it looks like we are not rid of the cold just yet. Please send your child to school with a winter coat, hat, gloves/mittens, scarf and warm footwear. **Recess is held indoors only when the temperature is colder than -15 °C (without windchill) or -20 with windchill.**

Big thank you to Mrs. Vince and Mrs. Cognini for running Quiddich as an extra curricular for our Junior students during nutrition breaks. The children are enjoying it very much and getting better ever day on their scooter boards!

We greatly appreciate parents respecting and supporting all of the Covid restrictions and procedural changes we have had in place for the past few years. Please review the present procedures outlined on page 3, that we have now put into place as Covid restrictions have eased.

I hope everyone has a fabulous April filled with sun, fun and laughter!

Ms. Neville  
Principal

**Pizza Days are back!** First pizza day is Thursday, April 21st. Pizza can only be purchased online via Cash Online. Price is \$2.00 a slice. Parents will be notified through Cash Online when it goes live (by next Monday, April 4th, 2022). Pizza will be handed out to students by staff wearing gloves in alignment with H&S practices.





### Easter Bunny Hop April 10th, 2022

Mr. Murdock and Mrs. Vince are organizing a Bunny Hop for April 14th to celebrate spring. We are asking for a two dollar donation to go towards our end of the year trip subsidy fund. Please wear your best Bunny outfit for the occasion!



### Junior & Senior Kindergarten Registration 2022-2023

If you have a child beginning school in either Junior Kindergarten (born in 2018), or Senior Kindergarten (born in 2017 that are not presently attending) for the 2022-2023 school year, please contact the school at 905-549-4233 to begin the registration process.

Mrs. Crispo will request the following information during registration: proof of address (we are closed to out of catchment), birth certificate, health card, and custody documents if applicable.

You can start the registration process online at <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/kindergarten/#register>



### Looking for before and after school care for 2022/2023?

#### UMBRELLA FAMILY AND CHILD CENTRES OF HAMILTON

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Is pleased to offer the students & parents of Rosedale school a seamless day...  
"Care and education under one roof!"  
Extended Hours 7:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m. each day

For more information feel free visit our website at [www.umbrellafamily.com](http://www.umbrellafamily.com)

### Emergency Procedures/Drills

We have held 3 of our 6 mandatory Fire Drills and will be holding a Lockdown drill this month as also mandated. In April, May, and June we will be holding the required "Bomb Threat Drill" and remaining Fire Drills. Teachers will be reviewing proper procedures and purpose with students prior to the drills. Drills of this nature are important so we are prepared in the event of an emergency. Please remind your children to follow the procedures, and follow the directions of their teachers for these drills. Please ask your child's teacher if you need more information. . Thank you.



### Families Worrying Less Together A program for Parents/Primary Caregivers of kids whose worries get the best of them

If you are a parent/primary caregiver of a student in Grade JK-2 or Grade 3-6 who is excessively shy, or has intense worries and fears, come learn about the "Families Worrying Less Together" program. This program will give you practical strategies to help your child learn to cope differently. Please note: This program is for parents and primary caregivers, children do not attend.

Please join us via MS Teams on April 5, 2022 from either 1-2pm or 6-7pm to learn more about the Families Worrying Less Together program. To register:

April 5 1pm - [hwdsb.info/April5-1pm](http://hwdsb.info/April5-1pm)  
April 5 6pm - [hwdsb.info/April5-6pm](http://hwdsb.info/April5-6pm)





### ***Operating Procedures***

#### ***Our shared values Respect, Responsibility, and Kindness***

The following practices will be in effect as of March 28th and will be monitored for effectiveness:

**Morning Entry** – students can play on the blacktop only. Students are not allowed on the Creative playground unless supervised by a parent/guardian—this is city property. At the bell they go to their current class lines. First period Educators will greet classes and escort them into class.

**Lockers** – Educators will determine whether to use small groups to control the flow or to have the whole class at lockers at one time. Educators are responsible for supervising the hall while students are at lockers/hooks.

**Lunch Dismissal** – Educators continue to dismiss one class at a time. If any stragglers remain please advise the office so a final sweep can be done to ensure all students are outside (or at their designated activity).

**Playground Access** – For our Grade 1 -3 students we will designate an area on the front portion of the playground for their use if they feel more comfortable in this zone. They may go outside this zone when they feel comfortable to do so. Recess Dismissal – At the bell, supervising staff direct classes to line up close to the appropriate entrance. We will continue to use the 2 doors for entry.

**Dismissal** – Period 6 Educators escort classes to their dismissal lines outside where students wait to be picked up by a parent/caregiver. If a child has permission to walk home we must have written permission from the custodial parent. Students are to leave the playground at the end of day. Supervision ends at 2:55pm, there is no playground playing during this time —if they chose to return after 2:55 pm under the responsibility of their parents they may do so.

**Hand hygiene** – Continue to practice good hand hygiene upon entry to a classroom, ahead of eating and following washroom use. Hand sanitizer continues to be available, along with soap and water.

**Building access (pick up/drop off)** – Continue to have parents/caregivers ring the doorbell upon arrival when picking up early or dropping off students throughout the day. Students will be called from class and can meet parents/caregivers at the front doors. Please limit this to exceptional circumstances only as it is disruptive to the learning of all students and disrupts the instructional day.



### **STREET AND BUSES SAFETY REMINDERS**

When the buses arrive at the beginning and end of the day it is extremely busy outside of the school. There is no parking at the front of the school and there is a designated bus loading area. Please park on the road and come into the school to pick up your child. Children are not permitted to walk across the street unaccompanied, as it is usually extremely busy before and after school. (Some exceptions do apply for medical situations).

As we look ahead to the Spring and warmer weather, please note the following dates for the **EQAO Primary and Junior Assessments**. These assessments, for Grade Three and Grade Six students, will be administered from June 6th - June 10th, 2022.

For information on what is new with the test this time around please visit:

<https://www.eqao.com/the-assessments/primary-division/>

Math, Reading and Writing are all components on both the Primary and Junior Assessments.

Here are some suggestions that you might find helpful in supporting your child's learning in Mathematics at home.

#### **PRIMARY**

- Include your child in everyday activities that involve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Play games and do puzzles that require reasoning.
- Solve problems with your child and talk about the different steps in the solution.
- Have your child show you how he or she can solve problems in different ways (e.g., through sketches, charts, graphs, words, tallies).
- Let your child know that everyone can learn mathematics.

#### **JUNIOR**

- Have your child help you solve everyday problems that require different operations and formulas to solve them.
- Play games with several steps.
- Ask your child to describe a problem and explain what additional information is needed to reach a solution.
- Have your child show you the steps he or she has used to solve different problems.
- Let your child know that everyone can learn mathematics.

### **April Dates to Remember**

April 1st—World Autism Day tomorrow—Wear BLUE today

\*April 6th—Home and School Meeting 6pm

April 13th—International Day of Pink—wear PINK

April 14th—Bunny Hop

April 15th—Good Friday—NO school

April 18th—Holiday Monday—NO school

April 20th—Picture Retake Day

April 22nd—Earth Day

April 27th—Administrator's Professional Day (Celebrate Mrs. Crispo!)

**Coming UP**—May 2nd to 6th is Education Week and we will be having an Open House on Wednesday, May 4th from 3pm to 5pm. More Information to follow.

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