

November 2024 Update

Hello Rosedale Families;

Falling leaves and cool crisp mornings help us greet the chill of November as we prepare for the winter ahead. Diwali held on October 31<sup>st</sup> reminds us to turn our focus on *our inner light* as the days become shorter with daylight savings. Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour before you slumber on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## A few updates to share:

**Construction** – Pre- construction of our new gymnasium, learning commons, and learning resource room has begun. Some minor adjustments to our entry and exit gates may occur. We will keep you and our students informed along the way.

**Construction Safety** – Please speak to your child about safety on our grounds outside of school hours. We have received reports of students climbing the temporary fencing, construction bunker, and waste receptacles after hours. Please enjoy the park and areas outside of the construction zone.

**Parking** – With the addition of heavy equipment and added personnel, please consider walking your child to and from school rather than driving. A safe and orderly environment for everyone at drop off and pick up times benefits everyone.

**Emergency Evacuation Practises** – Our first of two Lockdown practises will occur on November 21. Staff will be preparing all students for this required emergency drill.

**School Council Elections**– Our School Council Rep for the school year is Jenn Doucet supported by Home and School members Emily Kirkpatrick and Dan Konior. School Council and Home and School are both active participants within our monthly meeting agendas. We meet the first Wednesday of every month from 6-7 pm in Room 124 at Rosedale School. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 6 from 6-7 pm in Room 124. Child minding is available.

**November Parent Teacher Conferences and the Progress Report Card** – We encourage all parents to celebrate the successes of their child and work together to set goals for next steps. Please be sure to take advantage of parent teacher conference time with your child's educator which focuses on the Progress Report Card carried home on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

Holiday Market, Book Sale and Bake Sale- The Rosedale Holiday Market runs on November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm in the community. Please check the school website for more information. Home and School will be hosting a book and bake sale on Bettina Avenue during this time. Please contact <u>homeandschoolrosedale@gmail.com</u>

**Talize Fundraiser**- Last year Home and School raised \$1200.00 through the used goods Talize Fundraiser which runs until November 30th. Please refer to the school website for more information or email Home and School at homeandschoolrosedale@gmail.com

**Mac Millens Cookie Dough & More Fundraiser** – Sales end on November 3rd. Items purchased can be picked up on November 27<sup>th</sup> beginning at 2:40 pm. Please connect with <u>homeandschoolrosedale@gmail.com</u> for more information.

**Faith Gospel Food Bank – Holiday Food Drive** – Rosedale will accept items throughout the week of November 25 to November 29. Faith Church will open its doors on December 14 to the community for those in need of holiday items. Please send in items with your child November 25-29. Below is a list of items most needed.

Healthy non-perishable items include:

- Sources of Protein (Meat-based soup, stew, chilli, canned fish, nuts/seeds, peanut butter, beans)
- Dairy Products (Powdered milk, milk in tetra packs including soy and almond)
- Grains (Rice, whole-grain cereal, pasta, oatmeal)
- Vegetables and Fruits (Canned vegetables, canned fruit packed in water, pasta sauce, sugar-free jam)
- Personal Care and Household Items (Diapers, hygiene products, household cleaning supplies)

## **Events**

- ✓ November 1 PD Day No school for students as teachers engage in professional development sessions
- ✓ November 5 HWDSB Swim Meet
- ✓ November 6 Take Your Kid To Work Day Grade 9
- ✓ November 6 School Council and Home and School Meeting from 6-7 pm in Room 124
- ✓ November 11 Remembrance Day (student only presentations this year)
- ✓ November 18-22 Bullying Prevention Week in HWDSB
- ✓ November 19 Progress Report Card is carried home
- ✓ November 20 Pita Pit Lunch orders due through school cash on line only.
- ✓ November 21 Parent Teacher conferences after school
- ✓ November 22 PD Day Parent Teacher conferences
- ✓ November 25-29 Food Drive collection for Faith Church Holiday Food Bank is December 14

- ✓ November 27 MacMillen's Fundraiser delivered and distributed from 2:40-5:30 pm
- ✓ November 27 Pita Pit Lunch
- ✓ November 27 December pizza orders are due through school cash on line
- ✓ November 29 Faith Church picks up Holiday Food Drive items
- ✓ November 30 End of Clothing Drive for Home and School Talize Fundraiser

