

October 2025 Update

Hello Rosedale Families;

Shorter days, golden sunsets and the harvest moon all help us to greet the changing of the seasons as we enter Fall and prepare for much of mother nature to take rest. Extra layers, and warmer clothing support outdoor play in the crisp, fall weather.

A few updates to share:

School Re-Organization – Every fall enrollment is revisited by HWDSB. This year Rosedale is opening a Kindergarten class of 15 students in Room 103. Our caring staff are working together to support a smooth and gentle transition for students in JK/SK who are moving to their new class.

Rosedale Renovations: Phase 1 of our school renovations is almost complete. Our new gymnasium opened for students and staff on Monday, September 29th. This bright, beautiful space is a welcome addition to the school and community. We invite you to see our new space at our Meet the Educator Night on October from 3:30-5:00 pm

Emergency Evacuation Practises – All schools are required to hold 6 Fire Drills, 2 Lockdown, 1 Bomb, I Hold and Secure (when there is an issue in the neighbourhood such as a gas leak) and 1 Shelter in Place (weather related such as a severe storm) practises each school year. Staff will be preparing their classes for each of these important safe school drills. Please talk to your child about the importance of knowing when a safety signal is communicated and how to respond. Knowing when and how to respond in emergency situations is an important life skill to develop.

Pizza Lunch – We are pleased to offer pizza on Thursdays this year. All orders are received through School Cash On Line. Please be sure your account is set up as this account will be attached to your child for all purchase through to Grade 12. See Mrs. Crispo in the Office if you need assistance setting up your school cash on line account.

Mega Subs Lunch – Orders will open on school cash online until October 16th. Mega Lunch Sub Day is October 22nd.

Popcorn Sales – Home and School will sell popcorn at the first nutrition break in the foyer every Friday for \$2.

School Council Elections— All schools in Ontario are invited to form a School Council. We are pleased to attach information here regarding the role of the school council and the election process. Please read the attached information carefully. We will have paper copies of nomination forms available in the office should you wish to put forward your name to become a School Council Executive Member, or Voting Member. Please let your child's teacher know if you need a paper copy of the forms, and we will send them home in the school agenda. The election will be held on Wednesday, October 1st at 5:00 pm in Room 124 at Rosedale School. The School Council election will precede the Home and School Meeting also held on this evening beginning at 6:00 pm. School Council meets four times per year.

Meet The Educator Night – We welcome our families to meet their educators on **Thursday, October 9th from 3:30-5:00 pm.** We invite our families to meet their child's educators and to see their classroom environment. Scholastic Book Fair, Spiritwear, and Family Dinner (pizza ordered through school cash on line) A reminder that the Meet the Educator event is not a time for interviews or to speak about your child's progress, as there are many people present and a teacher needs to maintain confidentiality. An opportunity for discussion about your child's progress will be given after the Progress Report is carried home on November 18th.

Volunteer Orientation Session

We appreciate our dedicated volunteers who share their time and skills in support of Rosedale School. If you are interested in Volunteering with us, we will offer a Volunteer Orientation Session on the evening of Meet the Educator Night. Please meet in our school Library Room 110 at 4:00 pm to learn about volunteering and to receive necessary forms to complete. Current volunteers are invited to attend to sign your yearly offence declaration.

School Agendas for 2025 2026 – Donations toward school agendas for 2025 2026 are available through School Cash Online. The School Agenda serves as an important tool to ensure home and school communication is made between caregivers and school staff each day. Agendas are offered for a suggested donation of \$5.00 each. Please note that agendas are not paid for by the Board, and come out of our overall school budget. We sell them at cost and our invoice is approximately \$1,500.00. We appreciate those who are able to cover the cost of their child's agenda, and/ or who can donate to cover the cost of another child in the school. All students will receive an agenda.

Terry Fox Run – Thank you Rosedale School Community for raising over \$400.00 online for the Terry Fox Foundation. We had a wonderful time on September 25th and students were engaged in outdoor activities promoting awareness of the importance of our physical well being.

Pumpkin Trail – Home and School will offer their annual Rosedale Pumpkin Trail walk on Friday, October 18th beginning at 5:00 pm. All classes will receive a pumpkin to decorate for the trail. As well, each child at Rosedale will receive a ballot for the pumpkin decorating contest. Students are asked to bring their ballot to the pumpkin trail to cast their vote. The winning class pumpkin with receive a pizza party courtesy of the Rosedale Home and School Association.

More information to come. For more information please email rosedale@ofhsa.ca

Halloween Celebrations – Information will be shared in the coming days about our Halloween events including our Annual Parade, classroom parties, the Boogie-a thon on Friday, October 31st.

Happy Diwali – Wishing our students and their families a wonderful celebration on October 20th. This spiritual festival of lights is a sacred time for many around the world. Let us all join in with a feeling of light and loving kindness every day, and especially during this Festive season. Happy Diwali!

Events

October 1 – School Council Elections and First Meeting at 5:00 pm

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October 2 - National Caretaker's Day

October 3 – New Kindergarten class opens in Room 103

October 3 – First Day of Popcorn sales by Home and School \$2 at first Nutrition Break

October 5 – World Teacher/Educator Day

October 6 – Thank you Home & School for offering treats for –World Teacher/Educator Day

October 8 – HWDSB Cross Country Meet Grades 3-5 at Christie's Conservation Area.

October 9 - Meet the Educator Event and Scholastic Book Fair from 3:30-5:00 pm

October 13 – Thanksgiving Holiday

October 14 – Pumpkins arrive for classes to decorate for the H & S Pumpkin Trail

October 14 – School Council and Home and School Start Up Session at HWDSB at 6:00 pm

October 15 – Mega Subs Lunch orders are due through school cash on line today

October 17 – Decorated pumpkins are picked up by H & S in the afternoon

October 18 – Home and School Pumpkin Trail from 5:00-8:00 pm.

October 21 - DECE Day

October 22 – Mega Sub Lunch

October 23 – Student Assembly – Gratitude Period 2

October 24 – PD Day – No school for students today

October 29 - November pizza orders are due today on school cash online

October 31 – Parade, Boo-gie-a-thon & Halloween Events * more information to come

