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Rockwood Public School January 2019 News

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Happy January and Welcome 2019 !!

Happy New Year everyone!! We hope you enjoyed a tremendous Christmas holiday in which you were able to spend time with loved ones and rekindle friendships. We wish you treasured moments, beautiful memories, and many blessings in 2019.

As we begin the new year, we also approach the end of Term One. Term One Report Cards will be sent home on Wednesday, February 20th. We encourage students to continue to set personal goals and strive for academic success. As parent involvement is extremely important for student achievement, be sure to talk to your child about his or her school work and ask about his or her successes and struggles. Be aware of any upcoming assignments and assessments. Feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns. At home, set aside time for your child to complete his or her homework or brush up on required skills. Reading with your child, discussing books read, practising math skills, or playing literacy or math games is an excellent way to spend quality time with your child while promoting a love of learning.

All the best to you and your family!

Jody Kitson-Roy, Principal Marcia Knockleby, Vice-Principal

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Parents are reminded that there is no supervision on the school grounds before 9:05 in the morning. We ask that students not come to school before 9:05 unless there is a special circumstance.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SCHOOL DAY STARTS AT 9:25, arrive on time !!

If your child needs to be picked up during the day, please try to do so during nutrition/activity blocks 11:25 –12:05 and 1:35-2:15 to reduce classroom interruptions.

STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO GO OUTSIDE DURING THE WINTER MONTHS UNLESS THE TEMPERATURE IS BELOW –22 °C (WITH THE WIND CHILL). Please dress appropriately. It is also a great idea to send in a spare pair of mittens and socks in case the first pair gets wet. As well, students should be wearing winter boots and snow pants if they wish to play on our snow hills or in the fields.

Busing Regulations—Transportation is authorized for pupils from home/daycare to school and return. Changes to this schedule will only be authorized for emergency situations and approved by the Principal. Please do not abuse this privilege. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

THANK YOU to all of our families who donated money to the **Canadian Cancer Society** in lieu of staff gifts at Christmas time. You raised \$586. We appreciate your kindness and generosity.

Some other recent fundraisers for class trips: Create Your Own Sign \$713, Mini Peel Cards \$600, Noah Martin's Meat Products \$1970. Our appreciation goes out to Christine Crigger for organizing these events, and Danielle Colacci and her volunteers for running the Gift Shop \$668. We would like to also thank Ms. Buelow for organizing our Christmas Concerts, and to all staff for assisting classes with performances and making decorations, it was fabulous with many talented performers; thank you for your generous donations of \$720 for our Music program.

JANUARY UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 18—Jersey Day
- Jan 25—PJ Day
- Jan 29—Gr8 Badminton Fellowes
- Jan 30—Gr7 Badminton Fellowes
- Jan 31—Pizza Day, 1st break
- gr 5 swimming Jan 8,15,22,29
- January 21—February 1—Kindergarten Registrations
- January 18-25—Alice in Winterland carnival
- Feb 1—PA Day, no school for students
- Feb 13—Gr 8 Grad Photos



Popcorn available every Wednesday at 1st break \$1/bag payable on SchoolCash online only

Registration for JK/SK Children – January 21 – February 1, 2019

To find out which school your child will attend, visit <http://www.rcdsb.on.ca/en/parents/registration-and-transfers.asp>

French Immersion

The RCDSB is expanding its French language programming. Beginning in September 2019, families will be able to access additional French language instruction in the Arnprior, Renfrew and Pembroke family of schools. Head to the RCDSB website, to find out more details about how the programming will be rolled out, and what it means for your child.

There are two ways to register your child for kindergarten.

Online Registration

Use our online system anytime to register your child starting JK/SK in September 2019 by visiting <http://www.rcdsb.on.ca/en/parents/registration-and-transfers.asp>. Please be sure to complete the School Based Extended Day Program Family Survey that is at the end of the online registration if you are interested in a licensed child care program. You will receive a confirmation email after submitting your online registration.

In Person

Visit the school for a registration package between 9:30 a.m and 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 21 to Friday, February 1, 2019. If you are interested in a licensed child care before and after program, complete the School Based Extended Day Program Family Survey online at <https://goo.gl/yJg6rA>.

Both registration methods require you to bring the following documents to your school. If you have questions about the registration process, contact the elementary school nearest you.

Required Documentation (bring to the school):

- Completed, signed and dated registration form (access the form online, complete it and bring it to school)
- Proof of address (Utility bill or proof of ownership/ tenancy)
- Proof of student's birth date (birth certificate, passport, birth registration, citizenship card or statement of live birth)
- Child's immunization records (Students entering from outside Renfrew County should contact Renfrew County and District Health Unit at 613 735-8666.)
- Proof of custody where applicable (custody orders, court ordered Guardianship)
- Immigration documents where applicable

Voluntary Early Years Experiences Data Collection

Included in the registration process will be an additional voluntary survey through which the Ministry collects information from families about the experiences of children in child care and early years programs in Ontario. This information will help the government understand how families access programs and services in their communities and better define how the early years experiences influence children's outcomes.

If you have questions about the registration process, please contact us at 613-732-3789.

APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT NEEDED TO REGISTER AT ROCKWOOD—to avoid parking lot congestion, visit the school between 10:00—3:00 if possible

Extended Day Program for Children between Ages of 3 - 12 (Before and After School Care)

The Renfrew County District School Board and your school may be offering a School Based Extended Day Program for students (from JK up to age 12) starting September 2019. This School Based Extended Day Program will operate within the school by an Early Childhood Educator before and after school and is meant to complement the regular day program. The School Based Extended Day Program is contingent on enrolment and is funded from parent fees. Subsidies may be available from the County of Renfrew <http://www.countyofrenfrew.on.ca/documents/childcare/FeeSubsidyApplicationForm.pdf>.

The School Based Extended Day Program Family Survey form can be completed from the *Online Registration portal* if you are new to RCDSB and completing the online registration form or from the *Google Survey link* <https://goo.gl/yJg6rA>, at the Board's website <http://www.rcdsb.on.ca> select the *Extended Day Program* page from the Programs drop down menu.

Responses are collected between January 1 and March 31 each year.

Moncion Metro Receipt Program

The Moncion Metro receipt program continues!! Please have your grocery receipts over \$25.00 stamped by the cashiers at grocery store. There is a drop-off blue box in the foyer at Rockwood. Thank you to all who have been dropping off their receipts. We are then able to redeem them for grocery items used for special events. Thank you to Moncion Metro!

Please remember to replenish your child's school supplies ie pencils
Thank you

SSC corner

One of the roles of a School Support Counselor is to monitor student attendance. There is a close connection between student achievement and absence. Students are often absent from school for a number of reasons including appointments, illness or other events. Typically students who miss more than 15 days of school require a closer examination of why they are not attending school. This can be done through a phone call or letter. Continuation of absences from school may require further intervention up to and including informal meeting with parent and child as well as formal meetings at the board level to determine causes of absence and to outline steps to support interventions that will help the student remain at school.

LAURENTIAN VALLEY - ALICE IN WINTERLAND 2019 EVENTS

****PORTION OF PROCEEDS FROM CARNIVAL GO TOWARD THE RINK BOARDS AT A&F REC CENTRE****

****All Events Require a \$2 Carnival Button. **** Purchase of a button also enters you into cash prize draws!**

Canteen w/ hot food & cash bar during most events. Smoke Free Event. Helmets recommended for skating.
Ice events weather dependent—will post cancellations/changes on Facebook page.

Basket raffle draws all week, 50/50 tickets for sale at most adult events.

All events at **Alice & Fraser Recreation Centre, 1 Henan Road** unless indicated otherwise

**Skating Trail Open Daily – 10:00 am-4:00pm, Unless Noted Otherwise, Weather Permitting
(Check LV's Facebook Page for current trail status)**

****NEW** Snowshoeing Trail Open Adjacent to Skating Trail****

Friday, January 18th

5:30pm Skating, Bonfire, Free Hotdogs & Hot Chocolate
6:30pm Family Trivia, only button required, up to 6/team, Min. 2 children per team, Pre-Register 613-585-8495, cmanning1248@gmail.com

Saturday, January 19th

7:30am-11:00am Pancake Breakfast- **Timberline Snowmobile Club**, \$7 per person
8:00am Come out and watch the Carnival Hockey Tournament
10:00am-12:00pm Skating Trail Open - Come out to Meet the Paw Patrol Characters!
10:00am-3:00pm Craft & Vendor Show
6:00pm-9:00pm Glow Skate or Snowshoe at the Skating Trail, Meet the Paw Patrol Characters
6:00pm-8:00pm (weather permitting – alternate date: Jan. 25th)

Sunday, January 20th

12:00pm-3:00pm **FAMILY DAY! Kids: Enter our Draw for an Outdoor Activity Prize Pack!**
K&M Hobby Farm Petting Zoo, Family Skating & Games on the Ice, Sleigh Rides, Snowman Building Contest, Sliding Hill (First 75 children receive a **sliding saucer, donated by Smitty's Home Hardware**), S'Mores Station, Painted Pixie Face Painting, Lollipop Tree, Snowman Toss, Sparkle Tattoo, Snowshoeing, Tea Boil, Log Saw, Nail Driving, Trapper Ron, Archery Display, Loggersports Demonstration, Ry-J's
12:00pm Children's Paint Day – Space limited, First Come, First Serve 1:00pm–
1:45pm Children's Bingo (Upstairs at Alice Rec Centre)
2:00pm Children's Paint Day – Space limited, First Come, First Serve
1:30pm-4:30pm Country Music Jam-Come play, listen, sing & dance! **Timberline Snowmobile Club**

Monday, January 21st

7:00pm-9:00pm Adult Bingo, \$2/card

Tuesday, January 22nd

6:30pm Winter Sign & Wine, Limited Seating, \$25 in advance via www.lvtownship.ca, \$30 at door **if space available.**

Wednesday, January 23rd

6:30 pm Family Movie Night, Free Popcorn & Drinks for kids

Thursday, January 24th

5:30pm-6:30pm Potluck Supper, **Timberline Snowmobile Club, 2 Henan Rd**
6:45pm Snowshoeing (bring your own snowshoes, flashlight or headlamp, limited quantities of snowshoes available to borrow – meet at Skating Trail)
7:30pm Euchre-\$2 fee

Friday, January 25th

5:00 pm-7:00 pm Spaghetti Supper – Hosted by St. George's Church, 12&under \$5, Adults \$10
5:00 pm Skating
7:30 pm Trivia Night-\$30 team, 6ppl per team, Advance registration 613-585-8495, cmanning1248@gmail.com

Button Draws – 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$300, 3rd - \$200 (To be made week of January 27th)

Event details subject to change. www.facebook.com/lvaliceinwinterland or www.lvtownship.ca

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