



To Learn, To Grow, To Lead

# ROYAL ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## September Newsletter 2022



Welcome to a new school year at Royal Road School. The Royal Road Team has been busily preparing for a brand-new year.

To our new families starting at Royal Road, we hope you feel welcome right away and please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions. We want the transition into school to be positive for both you and your child.

To all returning families; welcome back! The entire Royal Road team hopes you have had a restful, enjoyable summer and are excited to start another school year.

### Staff

**Kindergarten:** Ms. Forde, Mrs. Waterhouse

**Kindergarten/Grade One:** Mrs. Bragdon, Ms. Potter

**Grade One:** Mrs. Hughes, Mme Dressaire, Mme Theriault

**Grade One/Grade Two:** Ms. Rutter

**Grade Two:** Mrs. Denovan, Mme McGraw, Mme Carroll

**Grade Three:** Mrs. Black, Mrs. Miller, Mme Welch

**Grade Four:** Mr. Sidik, Mrs. Clark, Mr. McGrath

**Grade Five:** Ms. Estabrooks, Mme Deveau

**Resource:** Ms. Crammond, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Henry

**Music:** Mr. Workman

**Phys. Ed.:** Mrs. Douglas, Ms. Potter

**Guidance:** Ms. Morgan

**Librarian:** Mrs. Bugden

**Administrative Assistants:** Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Lylons

**Educational Assistants:** Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. K. Mason, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Storm, Mrs. Toner, Mrs. A. Mason, Mr. LaCroix, Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Pinter, Mrs. Harding, Ms. Burns, Ms. Chanberlain, Ms. Gillespie

**Custodians:** Rick Watson, Greg

**Cafeteria Staff:** Jobs Unlimited

**Principal:** Ms. Sheila Legere

**Vice Principal:** Ms. Crammond

### Hours of Operation for the School

7:45	Students can enter building
<b>8:00</b>	Bell
8:05	Announcements/ Instruction Begins
10:05 – 10:20	Recess
12:00 – 12:20	Lunch
12:20 – 12:55	Outside Recess
12:55	Instruction Begins
1:40	K-2 Dismissal
2:55	3-5 Dismissal
<b>11:50</b>	<b>Wednesday Dismissal (K-5)</b>



We are doing everything we can to save on paper. Today you have received a paper copy of the monthly newsletter; however, after this month **ALL** information will be posted on our school website as well as through School Messenger and School Cash. If you do not have access to a computer and need to have a paper copy, we would be happy to send one home with your child. Please communicate this to your child's teacher. Please ensure we have a current email address on file at all times.



A reminder that we are requesting students not to bring peanuts, nuts or nut products to school. Thank you for your continued consideration and cooperation in dealing with this matter.

### Toys & Electronics

Please keep all toys and electronics including cell phones at home. There are many learning activities planned for your child throughout the day. Toys and electronics are distracting to your child's learning.

### Cashless Schools

**School Cash Online** is an easy to use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees. Now, with a few clicks, you can pay for your child's school fees, yearbook and so much more from your own home. All you have to do is register an account, attach your children and in no time, you will be able to make payments online. We accept many different payment options so log on and check us out!

**Reminder: There is a \$32 student fee to support school initiatives for this coming year. Some of these whole school activities are Art Richard and project based learning. Our preferred payment can be made on School Cash. You can send cash or cheque as well.**

## Physical Education Announcement

**Intramural Sports** – This will take place at noon hour for grades 3-5 students. Sign up will be necessary for the specific intramural activity. Please encourage your child(ren) to take part.

If you have any questions regarding the PE program, please feel free to contact us below:

PE Specialist: Mrs. Laura Douglas  
([laura.douglas@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:laura.douglas@nbed.nb.ca))



**We are looking for members to join our PSSC and Home and School. Please email Heather at [heather.matthews@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:heather.matthews@nbed.nb.ca) if you are interested in joining.**

**If you would like to volunteer for our Breakfast Program, please email [laura.douglas@nbed.nb.ca](mailto:laura.douglas@nbed.nb.ca)**

## Notice to Parents/Guardians

Please help us maintain a positive and safe learning environment. When dropping off or picking up your child(ren), please ring the doorbell to the left of our main door and we will page your child's classroom.

When dropping off your child please use the bottom right parking lot (student drop off). This will allow your child to safely walk up the sidewalk. **Please do not park in the teacher parking lots or drive to the top of the driveway, as this is a safety concern.** Thank you for your cooperation.

If you need to drop off an item for your child or pick them up for an appointment during the school day, please ring the doorbell to the left of our main door. We will deliver the items to the classroom for you or have your child come to the office. This practice will help us ensure a safe and productive learning environment for our students and staff.

### **Important Dates to Remember:**

**Thursday October 6<sup>th</sup> - Picture Day**



## Student Hunger Programs

**Lunch:** Royal Road is continuing its free lunch program this year! The free lunch program is for families who may not have the resources they need to send a lunch for their child every day. If you are interested, please contact your child's teacher or our Guidance Counsellor, Vanessa Morgan. We would be happy to add your child to our lunch list.



## Bus Policy 550-1

A reminder of Anglophone West School District's School **Bus Policy**. If your child travels by bus in the afternoon (1:50 p.m. or 2:55 p.m.) he/she can only have two drop off sites, one being their primary address and one alternate. If home is not noted as one of your choices, your child will not be able to get off the bus at the home address. This is to be outlined by parents on the Student Information Sheet. Telephone calls or verbal requests to the school asking for a change in drop off for your child **will not** be accommodated. Parents/caregivers are to ensure that children are safely picked up by the bus in the morning. For all students bus drivers are looking for a parent/caregiver to be visible at the bus drop-offs.



## Communication



Communication between parents and teachers is important. At Royal Road School we encourage parents to communicate with classroom teachers. If at any time you need to contact your child's homeroom teacher, you can call the school or email. Email addresses can be found on our school website. There will be more information coming regarding parent accessing to a virtual platform to help families stay engaged with their child's learning.



## Cafeteria

*Jobs Unlimited* is our cafeteria service provider this year. This is a cashless service. All meals will need to be purchased through **School Cash Online**. If your child is not at school on a day they ordered from the cafeteria there will not be any refunds as the food was previously purchased.



## General Information

- Please label all of your child's belongings.
- Students should have indoor footwear as well as outdoor footwear.
- **Legal Custody:** To parents who have legal custody arrangements – in order to ensure your wishes will be respected, we need a copy of the custody order on file at the school. Please contact the office or your child's teacher with the appropriate documentation. If you currently have a copy filed at the school, please bring this to the teachers' attention.
- **Arrival in the Morning:** Supervision begins at 7:45 a.m. For the safety of your child(ren) they should not arrive at school before this time. If they arrive supervision, we cannot be held legally responsible for your child's safety. The bell rings 8:00 a.m.
- **Safe Arrival Program:** If you know that your child(ren) will be absent, please call our safe arrival system at **1-833-294-4838** by 8:00 am to let us know about their absence. You can also download and install the **SchoolMessenger App** from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the link located on our website - <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>). Our automated phone message system will contact you at approximately 8:45 a.m. if we have not been notified.
- **Dismissal:** The K-2 dismissal time is at 1:40 p.m. The grades 3-5 dismissal time is at 2:55 p.m. On Wednesdays, dismissal is 11:50am for K-5. parents/guardians are welcome to greet their child outside the front door as there is not a teacher on duty who will be walking them down the sidewalk.

