



# WEST ROUGE WEEKLY

Week of September 2-6, 2019

## THIS WEEK @ WEST ROUGE

<b>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2</b>  <b>LABOUR DAY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enjoy the final day of summer holidays!</li></ul>
<b>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3</b>  <b>DAY 1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome Back!</li><li>• School begins at 8:40 am</li><li>-Please see detailed first day information on page 2!</li></ul>
<b>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4</b>  <b>DAY 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
<b>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5</b>  <b>DAY 3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
<b>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6</b>  <b>DAY 4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Fire Drill (weather permitting)</li><li>• All first week forms due back</li></ul>

**Please continue reading as there is important information and upcoming dates shared on page 2-4 of this weekly!**

BUILD CHARACTER  
BUILD SUCCESS

Character Trait for September:

**RESPECT**



## LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9	•
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10	•
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11	• Hillside Trip (Room 15 & 19)
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12	•
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13	•



## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

**Welcome Back!** We are very excited to welcome our students back for the 2019-20 school year! We hope that the following information will be helpful to ensure a smooth start to the school year for our students. We know that the start of a school year can cause anxiety for some children so please consider having a look at the following article which includes some tips that might be helpful:

<https://anxietycanada.com/articles/helping-your-child-cope-with-back-to-school-anxiety/>

**Staffing Update:** We have a few new staff members to introduce:

- We welcome Mrs. Kelleher to our FDK class in room 3
- We welcome Ms. Kireh who will be providing prep coverage to some FDK and primary classes in the afternoons until Ms. Shaw (also new to West Rouge) returns from maternity leave in November
- We welcome Mrs. Ventresca who will be teaching grade 4/5 in room 18
- We welcome back Mrs. Rodgers who will be returning as our ECE in room 4

### **First Day Plan:**

Our staff will be outside to meet and greet our students at 8:30 am on Tuesday. When the bell rings at 8:40 am students will line up according to their classroom number. These numbers were published on the last line of the learning skills comment on the June report card. If you have forgotten this room number, our staff members will have lists to help you out.

**Students in room 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 (grade 3-6):** Line up at door 3 (by the basketball courts)

**Students in room 5, 6, 7, 8 (grade 1-2):** Line up at door 4 (middle doors by the bike racks)

**Students in room 1, 3, 4 (FDK students):** Meet in the fenced FDK yard (near the parking lot)

Classroom teachers will meet their classes at the doors listed above when the bell rings. They will take attendance and then proceed inside with the students. Given the limited space inside the hallways we will ask that parents say their good byes outside at the doors.

In the event that it rains (hope for sunshine!) students will be welcomed inside beginning at 8:30 am. They will be lining up in the hallways outside of their assigned classroom. There will be staff members at each door to ensure students get to the correct classroom.

### **Lunchroom Changes:**

Our lunchroom has moved to room 2 which is located at the end of the main hallway close to the primary playground. Students who go home for lunch will be dismissed out of door # 5 and no longer out of the front doors. We hope that this change will make pick up easier for parents/guardians as this door is much closer to our kiss n' ride drop off. Lunch will continue to be from 11:30-12:30 with primary students eating from 11:30-12:00 and Junior students from 12:00-12:30.

Our lunchroom can be quite crowded so we do encourage students who are able to go home for lunch to do so to get a mid-day break from school. In an effort to reduce crowding we have managed to add an additional table.

### **Before / After School Program:**

The before and after school program run by the Boys and Girls club will begin on the first day of school. FDK students who are in this program will be in room 3. Grade 1-6 students in the program will be in our new lunchroom, room 2. This location change should also make drop off and pick up more convenient for parents especially those who have children in both rooms. Door 5 (closest to the drop off/parking lot area) is the door to use for drop off and pick up of students in this program.

### **Agendas:**

Students in grade 1-6 will receive agendas the first week of school. Agendas serve as a great tool to communicate with teachers and to help students organize their school work. The front pages of the agenda has a lot of valuable information like school times and our updated school Code of Conduct. Please find some time the first week to sit down and go over this important information with your child.

## Safe FDK/Primary Dismissal:

Regular dismissal is at 3:20 pm each day.

Kindergarten students will be handed off directly to an adult or daycare provider. Adults picking up a kindergarten student will need to come to the pick-up location.

Grade 1-3 students will be dismissed to an adult/older student when eye contact is made with the teacher at the designated door.

Grade 4-6 students will be dismissed out of door #4.

Please communicate with your child's teacher who they should be expecting each day for pick up. If you need to send someone who the school is not familiar with to pick up due to an unforeseen circumstance we ask that you call the school ahead of time to make this arrangement.

Please speak to Mr. Murphy if you require an alternate arrangement as we want to ensure the safe dismissal of our students.

In the event that you or your child care provider is running late we ask that you call the school so that we know to keep your child until your arrival.

## Upcoming Dates:

Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> : Curriculum Night-6:30 pm

Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>: Grade 6 students depart for Kearney

Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>: Grade 6 students return from Kearney

Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>: School Photo Day

Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>: First School Recognition Assembly -9:00 am

Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>: First School Advisory Council Meeting -7:00 pm

