



WEST ROUGE WEEKLY

Week of October 12-16, 2020

THIS WEEK @ WEST ROUGE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12 Thanksgiving Holiday No School	
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13 DAY 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 DAY 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grade 6 Safety Patroller Training by Toronto Police• SAC Meeting -7:00 pm (see Zoom link below)
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 DAY 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16 DAY 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•



Students in room 5, 7, and 12 creating colourful fall and Thanksgiving art work.

BUILD CHARACTER
BUILD SUCCESS

Character Trait for October:

RESPONSIBILITY



This year continues to bring us challenges, most recently with the re-organization of our junior division. Together, we continue to get through the challenges by being flexible, supportive, and understanding. Thank you for all that you are doing to support our school!



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

Virtual Curriculum Night:

We will be holding our annual curriculum night (meet the teacher) virtually on **Thursday, October 22nd at 7:00 pm**. Each teacher will have a virtual link (we will send these out next week) where you can virtually join a live discussion of their program and ask any questions you may have. Like a regular curriculum night, there will be opportunities to connect with more than one teacher. Some may show the learning space live on October 22nd while others may send a video or slides out ahead of time. We hope to connect with many of our families on October 22nd!

Staffing Updates:

We have a few staffing changes to share with the re-organization that has occurred this week:

- Mr. Hlywa and Mrs. Walia will both be leaving us to teach virtually for the year.
- Mr. Hlywa's junior class is being re-organized into the three remaining junior classes.
- We welcome Ms. Cataldo who will assume the kindergarten prep position previously delivered by Mrs. Walia.
- Mrs. Sharma will be returning on October 15th and will take over the grade 1-3 prep delivery. We thank Ms. Sotirakos for all of her work in this role over the past few weeks.
- Our junior division will now consist of a grade 4 class (Ms. Genco), grade 4/5 (Mrs. Ventresca), and grade 5/6 (Mrs. Gordon)

School Advisory Council (SAC):

A big thank you to the many parents who have come forward to volunteer for an executive role on our SAC for this year. We are still in need of a Chair, Treasurer, and Fundraising Lead for this year. If you have considered one of these roles now might be the right time to jump in and try it out?! Please let Mr. Murphy, our outgoing Chair, Carol Foote, or our outgoing Vice-Chair Nadia Taylor know if you wish to put your name forward for one of these vacant and important positions.

Our first meeting will be: **Wednesday, October 14th @ 7:00 pm virtually**

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/99403364061?pwd=bjFiYXI1SGJncTQ4YWcwYTRsVmt0dz09>

Agenda: An agenda was sent out on Thursday. The first meeting is mostly to establish the team for this year and to begin planning the direction for the year.

Supporting Student Mental Health and Wellness:

We are focusing across the school on supporting our student's mental health and wellness as they adapt to the pandemic and the return to school. Above, are some photos of different strategies being used in our classrooms. As well, we have created an interactive jamboard where parents can share different issues that are coming up with your children and other parents who may have dealt with something similar with their children can share strategies that might have helped. This will allow us all to learn from one another to support our students and will give our staff a better idea of some concerns that may be arising. Please check this out in the next week or so to see what parents might be sharing with us.

Please use the link below to access the interactive board. Please do not use student names, keep all posts anonymous and general:

[West Rouge Mental Health and Well-being Communication Board](#)

Wishing all of our families a restful Thanksgiving weekend!

Updated Guidelines on When/How Long to Stay Home:

Symptom	Action	Return Date/ next steps
Fever	14 days, get tested for COVID, alternate diagnosis from dr	14 days or negative test or alt. diagnosis
Cough	14 days, get tested for COVID, alternate diagnosis from dr	14 days or negative test or alt. diagnosis
Shortness of Breath	14 days, get tested for COVID, alternate diagnosis from dr	14 days or negative test or alt. diagnosis
Decrease or loss of smell or	14 days, get	14 days or negative test or

taste	tested for COVID, alternate diagnosis from dr	alt. diagnosis
Sore Throat	stay home for 24 hours & monitor	if symptoms are improving, 24 hours from onset
Stuffy/ runny nose	stay home for 24 hours & monitor	if symptoms are improving, 24 hours from onset
Headache	stay home for 24 hours & monitor	if symptoms are improving, 24 hours from onset
Nausea/ vomiting	stay home for 24 hours & monitor	if symptoms are improving, 24 hours from onset
Fatigue, lethargy, muscle aches	stay home for 24 hours & monitor	if symptoms are improving, 24 hours from onset
* note must be only one of those symptoms to return after 24 hours, more than 2 is 14 days self-isolate		