



RES OCTOBER UPDATE

Reach Every Student

Message from Admin:

Dear RES Families,

At Raymond Elementary School, we hope that everyone is able to feel safe and welcome. We do, however, realize that we are all learning and that sometimes conflicts happen. If we create an issue, it is important that we take responsibility and, ideally, are involved in the problem solving that works towards a solution.

Our goal is that all adults at RES model effective problem solving when conflict arises, and that we support students as they grow in their ability to be responsible. Responsible is not intended to mean "willing to take the punishment." It means owning the behaviour and working towards a solution that prevents an issue from recurring.

However, situations do occasionally happen that result in others not feeling safe. This could be physical safety or other types of safety. When safety is in question because of a student's actions, especially if those actions are repeated, adjustments to protect others may have to be made. These adjustments could include:

- Increasing supervision of a student (e.g. as they move through hallways), or
- Removal of activities that have less supervision (e.g. recess, field trips)
- Suspension

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Each situation is different, and will be solved within its own context.

At Raymond Elementary School, we believe we have a shared commitment to instill essential life skills in our students, beyond the realm of textbooks and classrooms. One such crucial skill is responsibility – a quality that forms a cornerstone of a successful, fulfilling life. It is essential for us to come together as a community to reinforce the importance of responsibility in our children's lives.

Responsibility is a foundational skill that empowers our children to navigate the complexities of the world with confidence and integrity. It teaches them accountability, time management, and the importance of following through on commitments. These skills not only contribute to their academic success, but also shape their character and prepare them for a bright future.

There are several ways we can collectively foster a sense of responsibility in our young learners. At RES we will maintain consistent expectations regarding behaviour, attendance, punctuality, and completion of assignments. Reinforcement of consistent expectations both at home and school can provide a clear framework for students to follow. Encouragement and positive reinforcement are powerful motivators. We will acknowledge and celebrate responsible behaviour to reinforce the importance of being responsible citizens. Our school will continue to emphasize character education, teaching students about empathy, integrity, and accountability. We believe that a strong character is the foundation upon which responsibility is built. Our school will also continue to engage students in collaborative learning experiences that encourage teamwork and shared responsibility. This not only enhances academic learning but also teaches the value of working together toward a common goal.

We invite you to actively participate in this journey of nurturing responsibility in our students. Your involvement, encouragement and guidance are invaluable in shaping the responsible citizens of tomorrow.



- Oct 4 - Burger Baron Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Oct 5 - Burger Baron Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)
- Oct 6 - No School
- Oct 9 - Thanksgiving (no school)
- Oct 11 - Anti-Bullying Assembly (grade 4,5,6)
- Oct 11 - DQ Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Oct 12 - DQ Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)
- Oct 12 - Hot Lunch Form Opens

- Oct 16-20 - Book Fair (8:30am - 3:00pm)
- Oct 17 - Picture Day
- Oct 18 - Subway Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Oct 19 - Subway Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)
- Oct 25 - A1 Pizza Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Oct 26 - A1 Pizza Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)
- Oct 26 - Hot Lunch Form Closes
- Oct 31 - Halloween