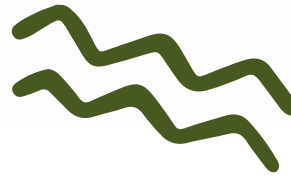


# RMS EDUCATION NEWSLETTER



## Introduction

Dear Rowntree Families,

It's hard to believe we're into the second month of the year already—the campuses are buzzing and the student energy is terrific. Over these first few weeks, I've had the pleasure of meeting many of you, and I'm grateful for the warm welcome and the insights you've shared.

I'm delighted to serve as Director of Education at Rowntree Montessori Schools, proudly within the ISP family. I'll be working across all three campuses, partnering with campus leaders and teachers to align curriculum and assessment, support student learning and wellbeing, coach teaching teams, and ensure programs and daily routines are tightly connected to our academic goals. I bring 15 years of experience in education, including service as a school principal in Peel Region, and I hold an Honours Bachelor of Arts (HBA), a Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.), and a Master of Arts in Education (M.A., Curriculum & Teacher Development). I am Ontario Certified and hold the Ontario Principal Qualification.

## Our Vision at RMS

Rowntree Montessori Schools blend Montessori-influenced principles with innovative educational strategies, fostering exceptional academic achievement and personal growth. Our vision is to educate the whole child by combining rigorous, joyful academics with character and social-emotional growth, helping students become confident, compassionate, and responsible global citizens.

You'll see this in clear learning goals, evidence-informed instruction, and classroom cultures that balance high expectations with warmth and care. Our focus this year is continuous improvement that involves ongoing adjustments, innovation in practice, and responsive supports for students and families. A new year brings new opportunities, and I look forward to the work we'll do together.

We value your voice and welcome your feedback at any time. It helps refine our policies, strengthen our community, and shape how we deliver the curriculum. If you'd like to discuss your child's strengths, interests, or goals, please email me to book a time that works for you so that we may further connect: [etihak@rowntreemontessori.com](mailto:etihak@rowntreemontessori.com)

Here's to a year of momentum, achievement, and growth. It's a privilege to join this community and I'm excited for the year ahead as we support every child to thrive!

Warm Regards,

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