

## Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – February 4th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families:

This week we rang in the Lunar New Year and welcomed the Year of the Tiger! Many of our students learned about the traditions of Lunar New Year celebrations and students who celebrate Lunar New Year were excited to share the details of how their families celebrate. Gong hei fat choy!



February is Black History Month. Curricular and co-curricular and extra-curricular school experiences reflect and acknowledge the realities of people of Black African descent all year long. February is a special time for focused reflection on the lived experiences of Black people past and present. Hopewell is committed to visibly and actively representing the voice, vision, contributions and triumph of people of Black African descent globally and locally during this month and throughout the year. To celebrate Black History Month, this week we invited a number of students to highlight and share a number of historical figures from the Black community who contributed to Canadian society and beyond. In our classrooms educators are learning about contributions through read alouds, classroom discussions and curriculum connections.

Please continue to complete the [COVID Screening](#) with your children everyday prior to their arrival. If your child is going to be absent, please remember to call our attendance line (613-239-2348, press 1) to report the absence. The OPH flowchart to understand [symptoms and isolation requirements](#) is a valuable resource as well.

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is ongoing. For families interested in registering for Ottawa-Carleton Virtual Learning information is included below. This week the transfer application period began. For more information about the transfer application process, please visit the [OCDSB Website](#). Transfer application dates as well as other key dates are noted below. For our grade 8 families, all high school information can also be found on [Hopewell's Intermediate Website](#). If there are any questions regarding this process, please feel free to reach out to Hopewell Student Success Teacher, Jennifer Compagnon [jennifer.compagnon@ocdsb.ca](mailto:jennifer.compagnon@ocdsb.ca)

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions.

Thank you, as always, for your partnership. Stay safe and take good care.

Martina Sherwood & Christopher Wereley  
Principal & Vice Principal  
Hopewell Avenue Public School

**Upcoming Dates**

- February 8th, 7pm - School Council Meeting - Virtual Link: <https://meet.google.com/izc-ikgz-vuv?hs=224>
- February 8th, 7pm - Glebe CI's Virtual Information Night [2022 Glebe CI Virtual Information Night](#) ; Families can submit questions before/during the presentations at this [questionnaire link](#).
- February 18th - PA Day, Students do not attend school
- February 16th - Term One Communications of Learning / Report Cards accessible electronically
- February 21st - Family Day, school is closed
- March 14th - March 18th (inclusive) - March Break, school is closed
- April 15th - Good Friday, school is closed
- April 18th - Easter Monday, school is closed
- June 3rd - PA Day, Students do not attend school
- June 30th - Last day of school for students

**Registration and Transfer Information for 2022-2023**

The following timelines will apply for the 2022-2023 school year. This includes kick-off to the 2022-2023 registration period, the student transfer period for the elementary and secondary panels, and the Middle French Immersion program registration period.

The information can also be found on the Board's website: [www.ocdsb.ca](http://www.ocdsb.ca).

Elementary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 31 to Friday, February 11, 2022
Secondary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 31 to Friday, February 11, 2022
Middle French Immersion Registration Period	Monday, February 7 to Friday, February 11, 2022

**Register for Ottawa-Carleton Virtual Learning by February 22, 2022**

We are planning for September 2022 and will offer both in-person and remote learning. We expect an increasing number of students to return to in-person learning in September. We also know that for some families, OCV has been and will continue to be an important choice for their learning needs. Please note, Middle French Immersion, Alternative, ESL/ELD programs, International Baccalaureate (IB), Arts, and Specialized Program Classes are not available through an OCV campus.

If you would like your child to attend an OCV school for the 2022-2023 school year, here is the process for registration:

- Register - Complete the [Registration Form](#) by February 22, 2022.



- Confirm - Families who have registered by February 22nd will receive an email in early March asking for Confirmation of Registration by March 10, 2022.

We continue to ask that families register with the understanding that this is a commitment for the full school year. We recognize that families’ needs can change and after the application period we will consider requests for OCV on a case-by-case basis, but we will not be able to guarantee space. If you are planning for in-person learning, no action is required.

Learn more about OCV and registration [on our website](#).

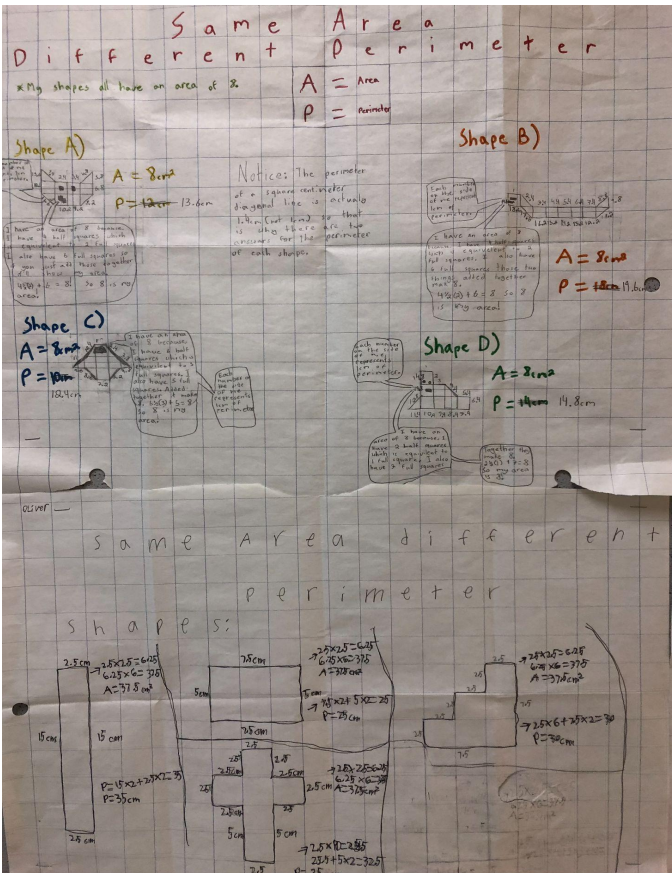
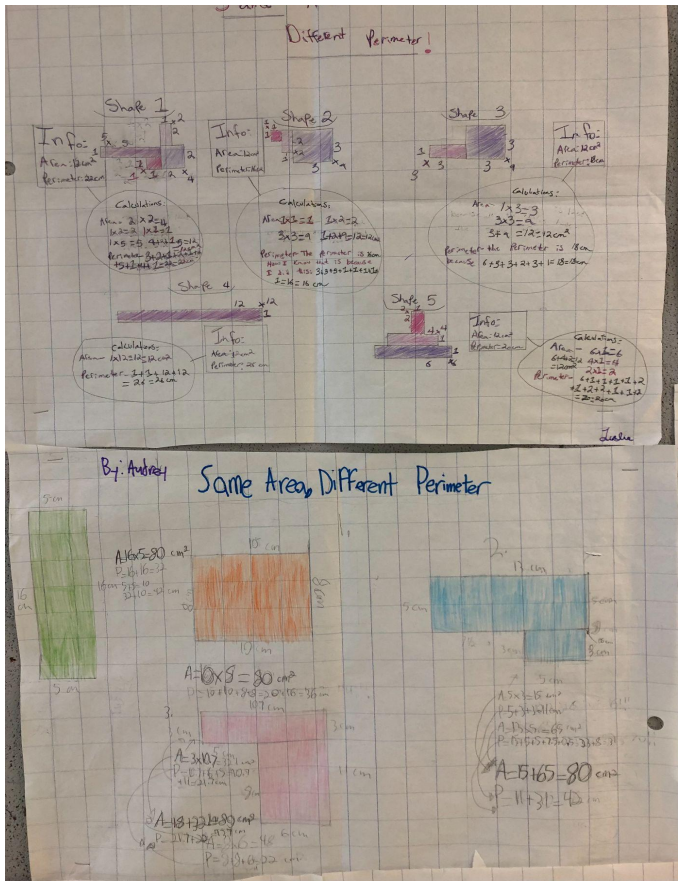
**A Message From School Council**

Dear Hopewell parents & guardians,  
School Council looks forward to its first meeting of 2022. All are welcome.  
Please join us Tuesday, February 8th, from 7-8 PM on Google Meet:  
<https://meet.google.com/izc-ikgz-vuv?hs=224>

This is an excellent opportunity to hear about what has been going on at Hopewell.  
Wishing everyone an excellent weekend!  
Alex & Petra  
Co-chairs

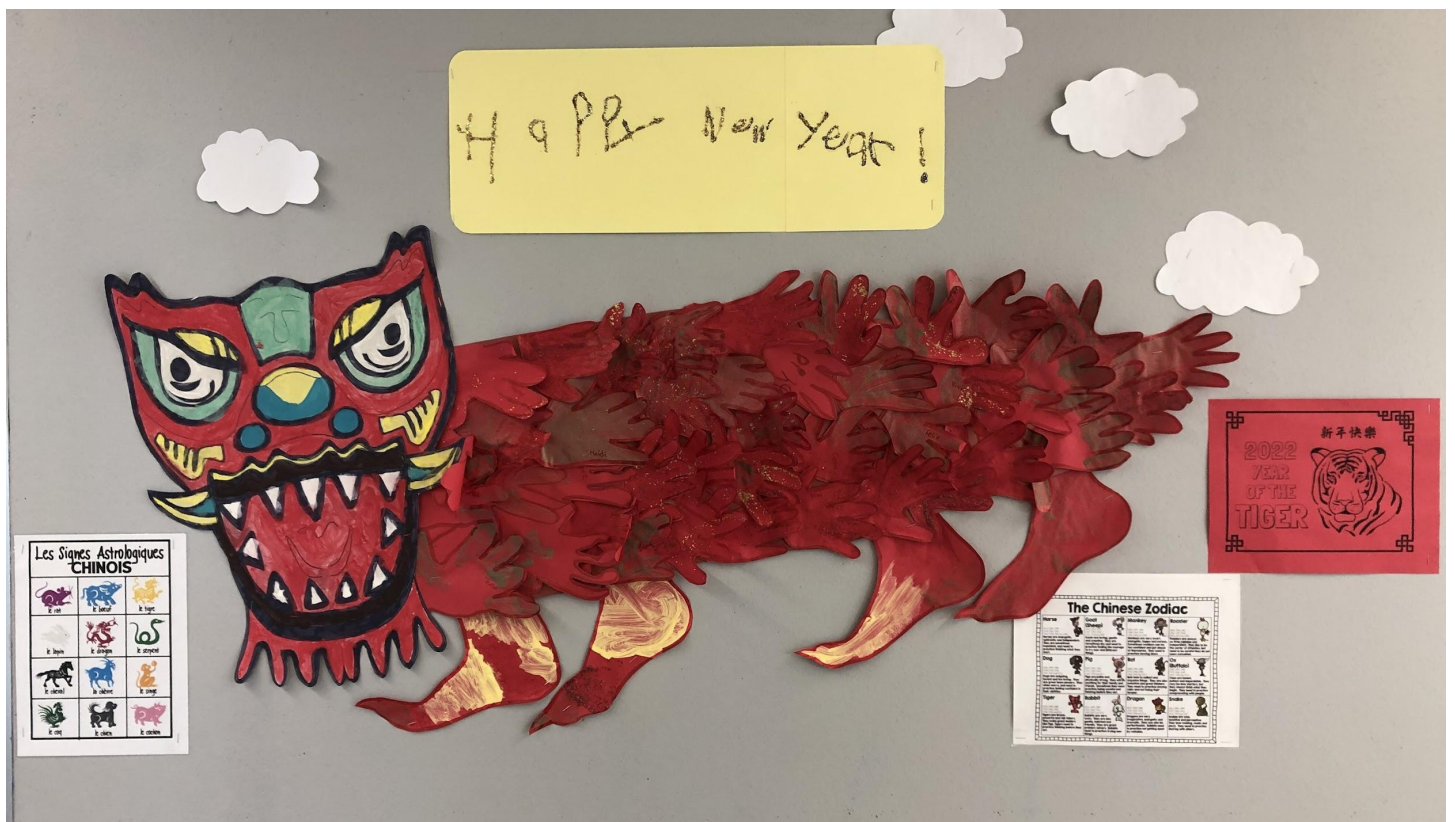
**Walking the Halls and Classrooms of Hopewell...**

In math class, students in EF6A and EF56A have been working on posters about the area of shapes. The theme for the grade 5 posters is, "same area, different perimeter". Grade 6 students have been exploring composing and decomposing shapes to determine area. Partial areas can be added to find the whole area of a shape.



Happy New Year from the Flamingo Class!





Kindergarten learning - putting thoughts on the page.

**{We wonder....}**

- why does sand come in different colours? - Magnus : Victoria
- why is sand made of rocks but it's yellow? - cleary
- why is there sand on beaches? - Morris
- why is there sand in the water? - Claire
- why is there sand in sand pits? - Victoria
- does sand grow under the ground? - Slogne
- how deep does sand go? - cleary
- why does sand stick better when it's wet? - Lara
- why does sand get darker when it's wet? - Simon
- why does sand sink/swirl away in the water? - Victoria : Ava
- how does quick sand make you sink? - Simon
- why do lizards live on sand? - Claire