

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – December 10th, 2021



Dear Hopewell Families,

We hope you have had a great week! Our week has been busy and we have included lots of news below, including details about the distribution of rapid antigen screening kits, a message from our School Council, and news featuring our wonderful students’ accomplishments!

We are moving into our final week of school in 2021 and are looking ahead to lots of excitement and continued learning. We are also looking forward to our upcoming Spirit Week. A huge thank you to our Prism Club for organizing and promoting these fun days ahead! Further information about Spirit Week is also below.

Ottawa Public Health has shared details of upcoming vaccination clinics with us. We have attached the poster below and it can also be accessed [here](#).

Your continued partnership is appreciated. Wishing you a wonderful weekend. Bonne fin de semaine.

Martina Sherwood and Christopher Wereley
Principal and Vice Principal

Upcoming Dates

- December 14th, 7pm - Hopewell Avenue School Council Meeting - Virtual: <https://meet.google.com/vnn-rowm-tay?hs=224>
- December 20th - December 31st (inclusive) - Winter Break, school is closed
- January 3rd, 2022 - First day of school in 2022!
- January 21st - PA Day, Students do not attend school
- January 25th - Kindergarten Information Night - Virtual: Link TBA
- 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

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 French Immersion program registration period.

The information can also be found on the Board’s website: www.ocdsb.ca.

Kick-off to 2022-2023 Registration	Monday, January 17 to Monday, January 24, 2022
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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

Take-Home Rapid Antigen Screening Kits

Next Thursday, December 16th we will be sending a take-home rapid antigen screening kit home with every child. These kits are part of a Government of Ontario initiative to promote a safer return to school after the winter break. Instructions for the use of the kit will be included in the test kit package. Participation is voluntary. If you do not want a kit sent home with your child, please let us know through email: hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca with the subject line: Screening Kit.

Next Week Is Spirit Week!

Next week, we are showing our school spirit! Here’s the plan...

Monday: Pajama Day (Please leave stuffies at home!)



Tuesday: Vacation Day



Wednesday: Era Day - 1970s, 1980s, 1990s...



Thursday: Battle of the Grades

- Kindergarten - wear green**
- Primary (grades 1 to 3) - wear yellow**
- Junior (grades 4 to 6) - wear red**
- Intermediate (grades 7 and 8) - wear blue**
- Educator Team - wear purple**

Friday: Festive Friday/Ugly Sweater Day... consider creating your own!!



We Are Grateful For Our Student Announcers!

Daily announcements are part of our everyday routine at school. We would like to take this opportunity to introduce three student announcers to you: Avery S., Nylah T, and Ali R. These are three grade eight students who dedicate some of their time to help out in the office doing the daily announcements. They do so with humour, pride and professionalism. Some fun facts about each of these great individuals are: Avery lived in Senegal in West Africa for three years; Nylah is a babysitter looking to expand her clientele and; Ali enjoys waterpolo and is hoping to attend McGill for her post-secondary education.



(Picture left to right: Avery, Nyla, and Ali)

Anthropocene Education Program



Last week we received a Touring Classroom Kit through the Anthropocene Education Program at Canadian Geographic. Through virtual reality technology students are able to explore a giant anthropocene floor map and gain a deeper understanding into humanity’s role as a primary driver of physical change on our planet. This interactive learning experience will be available at our school until the end of next week.



Hopewell Has Heart!!



What do you get when a school with heart comes together to support their community? This Wednesday the answer was 2500 items donated to The Centretown Food Centre. A huge thank you to the volunteers who promoted this day of giving and helped to sort and collect the incredibly generous donations. Thank you to our entire school community for supporting this initiative. Allison Dingle, Chair of The Centretown Food Centre was overwhelmed with the volume of donations and conveyed that our school community has made a difference.



Kinder Yard Official Opening

A special thank you to the SANDbox Committee and all of the families and community members who contributed to the renovation of our new kindergarten yard. The grand opening of the yard was this past weekend, and it was a picture perfect day for all who had the opportunity to attend. The kindergarten yard is enjoyed everyday by our school community. We love our new yard!



A Message From School Council

Dear Hopewell parents & guardians,

Countdown to the holidays! Before venturing off on vacation, the School Council looks forward to it's last meeting of the calendar year and all are welcome. Please join us Tuesday, December 14th, from 7-8 PM on Google Meets [<https://meet.google.com/vnn-rowm-tay?hs=224>]. This is an excellent opportunity to hear about what has been going on at Hopewell. The deadline for questions to be addressed at this meeting has passed, but please reach out to us with any questions or issues so that these can be included in planning for the next meeting.

Wishing everyone an excellent weekend!

Alex & Petra

Co-chairs



Scheduled after-school COVID-19 vaccination clinics

After-school COVID-19 vaccination clinics are open to children five to 11 and their parents, household members and legal guardians who **live in a neighbourhood near the school** and do not need to be students at that school. Drop-in appointments are available on a first come first served basis during clinic hours. If the clinic is very busy, appointment cards may be given with a return time.

Date and hours of operation	School	Address
December 13, 2021 3:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Dunning-Foubert Elementary School	1610 Prestwick Drive
December 13, 2021 4:15 pm to 7:25 pm	Jack Donohue Public School	101 Penrith Street
December 14, 2021 3:45 pm to 7:25 pm	Bayview Public School	185 Owl Drive
December 14, 2021 3:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Chapman Mills Public School	260 Leamington Way
December 14, 2021 3:45 pm to 7:25 pm	Henry Larsen Elementary School	1750 Sunview Drive
December 14, 2021 3:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Knoxdale Public School	170 Greenbank Road
December 14, 2021 3:15 pm to 7:25 pm	Osgoode Public School	5590 Osgood Main Street
December 15, 2021 4 pm to 7:25 pm	Cambridge Public School	250 Cambridge Street North
December 15, 2021 3:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Huntley Centennial Public School	118 Langstaff Drive
December 15, 2021 4:15 pm to 7:25 pm	Vimy Ridge Public School	4180 Kelly Farm Drive
December 15, 2021 3:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Vincent Massey Public School	745 Smyth Road
December 15, 2021 3 pm to 7:25 pm	Viscount Alexander Public School	55 Mann Avenue

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December 16, 2021 4:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Bells Corners Public School	3770 Old Richmond Road
December 16, 2021 3:15 pm to 7:25 pm	École élémentaire catholique George-Étienne-Cartier	880 Thorndale Drive
December 16, 2021 4 pm to 7:25 pm	Manor Park Public School	100 Braemar Street
December 16, 2021 3:30 pm to 7:25 pm	Manordale Public School	16 Carola Street
December 16, 2021 4 pm to 7:25 pm	Robert E. Wilson Public School	373 McArthur Avenue
December 17, 2021 4:15 pm to 7:25 pm	A. Lorne Cassidy Elementary School	27 Hobin Street
December 17, 2021 4:15 pm to 7:25 pm	Queen Mary Street Public School	557 Queen Mary Street
December 18, 2021 10 am to 3:25 pm	Riverview Alternative School	260 Knox Crescent
December 18, 2021 10 am to 3:25 pm	Severn Avenue Public School	2553 Severn Avenue
December 18, 2021 10 am to 3:25 pm	Stonecrest Elementary School	3791 Stonecrest Road
December 19, 2021 10 am to 3:25 pm	Glen Ogilvie Public School	46 Centrepark Drive
December 19, 2021 10 am to 3:25 pm	Greely Elementary School	7066 Parkway Road
December 19, 2021 10 am to 3:25 pm	Sir Winston Churchill Public School	49 Mulvagh Avenue

For other vaccination clinic options for five- to 11-year-olds please visit our website:
[OttawaPublicHealth.ca/COVID19Vaccine](https://ottawapublichealth.ca/COVID19Vaccine)