Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – June 9th, 2023



Dear Hopewell Families,

June is Pride Month. Throughout June, the OCDSB Pride flag will be flown outside our school and all OCDSB sites. By flying the OCDSB Pride Flag, our district is reaffirming its values and commitment to creating and sustaining a culture of caring where 2SLGBTQ+ students, families and staff matter and are welcome, seen and represented at the OCDSB. At Hopewell we support all identities and stand together against discrimination. Our student-led Prism Club is an example of our commitment and we are proud of the work they have done this year in building awareness, promoting acceptance and leading initiatives such as fundraising to support Rainbow Railroad. Happy Pride Month!

Last night was a fabulous evening of music and arts! The Primary/Junior Choir, led by Nicola Williams, sang their hearts out. Intermediate Bands, led by Marya Woyiwada, entertained the audience. Across the street, Hopewell Visual Artists were featured and celebrated at the Magenta Noodle Vernissage at The Happy Goat - thank you to Natalie Johnston for leading that initiative! We feel very lucky to be surrounded by so much talent and artistic passion.

This week we navigated a new challenge when as we watched air quality in our region hit concerning levels as measured through the <u>Air Quality Health Index</u>. Air quality will continue to be monitored as conditions could change with wildfire smoke coming and going from our airshed. The health and safety of our school community will be the highest priority as decisions will be made regarding outdoor activity. District direction will guide us with this decision-making. The <u>Ottawa Public Health Outdoor Air Quality</u> is recommended as a resource in this area.

Below you will see many of our highlights on **#HAPShots** that include Kinder literacy, printmaking, biographies, Arts Showcase - choir, bands and visual art, "Say Yes Day" activities, collaborative research, Carleton U Art Gallery visit and studio work, indoor recess games, and Kinder inquiry!

Have a wonderful weekend. Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely, Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

June 9th - Last day for Milk Program

June 12th - Last day for Subway Lunch Program

June 16th - Last day for Pizza Lunch Program

June 26th - Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony

June 28th - Report Cards / Kindergarten Communications of Learning accessible

online

June 29th - Last day of school

SCHOOL NEWS

Spirit Week

See below for what's in the store the week of June 19th!



Tuesday: "Anything but a Backpack" Bring your supples in anything but a backpack!

> Wednesday: "Rainbow/ Pride" Wear ALL the colours!

Thursday: "Beach Day" Dress like you're headed to the beach for the day!

Friday: "Hopewell Spirit" Wear your Hopewell gear or the colours purple and gold!





Our Extra-Curricular Activities will be wrapping up this month. A huge thank you to the educators who have supported many and varied opportunities for our students. Thank you to our students for participating and proposing new and exciting ideas for our school team to support!

HOPEWELL SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

Hello Hopewell community -

Our *next School Council meeting will be at the Hopewell School library from* 7:00-9:00pm on June 13th. Please join us for the last School Council meeting of this school year. We welcome anyone to join! We are also looking for new Council members, so if you are interested in learning more, please come to this meeting.

As always, please find more information on our <u>School Council website</u>, <u>Facebook page</u> and contact us by email: sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca

Wishing you a great weekend! Petra Heitkamp, Chair, Hopewell Ave PS School Council

#HAPShots

A little glimpse of what we've been up to this week!





















