

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – December 9th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families,

Coding is a part of the new [Science Curriculum](#) and is part of the [Math Curriculum](#). It is not unusual to walk into a classroom and see students working with Ozobots, micro bits kits and other technologies to practice coding skills. Please take a look at some coding in action in our #HAPShots section at the end of this message. It's pretty cool!

Kindness continues to be a theme at Hopewell. In this month of December we have seen many acts of kindness. Today our Flamingo class delivered handmade cards and letters to seniors at the Colonel By Retirement Residence. They also brainstormed what kindness looks like... "If someone wants to be in a race, but is not fast enough, you can hold their hand." ... Melts your heart!!

In the spirit of kindness, we are gearing up for another food drive blitz. Please mark your calendars. Tuesday, December 20th is the day. More detail below. An advanced thank you for your generosity!

The Primary Reading Club began this week. In this club, primary and junior/intermediate students come together to build their love of reading. Older students serve as mentors to younger students and are doing a fabulous job! Thank you to Ms. Vorobej for co-ordinating this club.

Below you will find additional information items and upcoming events and opportunities.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller
Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday, December 13th, 7pm - [School Council Meeting](#)

Wednesday, December 14th and Thursday, December 15th - Evening - Musical and Art Show - details below

Tuesday, December 20th - Food Drive Blitz
December 26th, 2022 - January 6th, 2023 - Winter Break, school is closed
January 9th, 2023 - Return to school - 2023!

SCHOOL NEWS

Musical and Art Show!

Mark your calendars ... Wednesday, December 14th and Thursday, December 15th at 6:30pm! There are two performance options.

Dozens of Intermediate students have been working hard since September to put on an amazing show for you! They are thrilled to present **Sunnyside Junior High**, a musical full of song, dance, laughter, and a ton of great talent. This performance is a revival of a musical written by Ms Woyiwada's parents, which was first performed when Allison Woyiwada was the music teacher at Hopewell, featuring Marya Woyiwada in the cast! Please join us for this free performance so we can share our love of Music and the Arts with you.

Also, be sure to plan to come a little bit early or stay a little bit late so you can walk through the Art display and check out the handcrafted items the Prism Club will have available for sale. The **Art Show** will feature pieces submitted by Intermediate Students and staff, that display a wide range of styles and materials. **Prism Club** will have a booth set up with the products they created for purchase. The proceeds will go towards funding the club and their future projects, so be sure to bring your wallet so you don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to support this great cause!

Food Drive



We would like to invite families to participate in our Food Drive Blitz next **Tuesday, December 20th**. We are collecting to support the Centretown Food Bank as their supplies are seriously low and they are working to provide for a growing number of families and individuals in our community. Drop off locations will be available outside in each yard for Kindergarten, Primary, and Junior families to bring their donations. Intermediates will be asked to drop donations inside the atrium when they enter the school.

The highest need items are common non-perishables and toiletries, such as peanut butter, canned tuna, salmon, meat and stews, canned vegetables, canned soups, canned beans, including baked beans, kidney beans, black beans, cereals, dry pasta and pasta sauce, Kraft dinner, toothpaste and toothbrushes and toilet paper.

The Centretown Food Bank appreciates any contributions families can make at this time.

Registration and Transfer Information for 2023-2024

The following timelines will apply for the 2023-2024 school year. This includes kick-off to the 2023-2024 registration period, the student transfer period for the elementary and secondary panels, and the French Immersion program registration period.

The information, including the online Student Transfer Application forms can also be found on the Board's website: www.ocdsb.ca.

Kick-off to 2023-2024 Registration	Monday, January 16 to Monday, January 23, 2022
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Elementary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 30 to Friday, February 10, 2022
Secondary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 30 to Friday, February 10, 2022
Middle French Immersion Registration Period	Monday, February 6 to Friday, February 10, 2022

Extra Curricular @ Hopewell



Here is an overview of what’s currently happening at Hopewell:

Primary Activities

Primary Art Club with Ms. Upton, Tuesdays at first recess
 Kids Club for Primary students on Wednesdays at first recess
 Reading Club with Ms Vorobej

Junior Sports

Boys’ Bordenball - Tryouts Tuesday (Grade 6); Thursday (Grades 4/5)
 Girls’ Bordenball - Sign-up outside of Room 432
 Girls' Soccer - Intramurals Fridays @ 1:40pm - Gym
 Junior Dance - Wednesday, Nov 16th at first nutrition break for grades 5-6 in the South Gym.

Intermediate Activities:

Dungeons & Dragons - Mondays and Thursdays
 Study Hall - Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
 Open Art Studio - Tuesdays
 Maker Space - Fridays
 Prism Club - Thursdays
 Musical - Mondays and Wednesdays

See our [Intermediate Page](#) for the updated calendar of events and news about Intermediate life at Hopewell.

A Message From Our Hopewell Avenue Public School Council

Hi everyone,

Please join us for the next School Council meeting (on [google-meet](#)), Tuesday 13 Dec, 7:00-8:30pm. The draft agenda can be found below.

Please let us know ahead of Tuesday if you have questions for Martina Sherwood or OCDSB Trustee Nili Kaplan-Myrth (only questions received by Monday EOB will be brought forward):

1. Welcome, Approval of the Agenda, Approval of October minutes (5min)
2. Introductions (5min)
3. Principal's Report – Martina Sherwood (15-20min)
4. VP Report – Sandy Miller (5mins)
5. Teacher rep – Meg Fracke (5min)
6. OCDSB Trustee Nili Kaplan-Myrth
7. Financial situation - Nicola Calder (5min)
8. Committees and events (30min)
 - a) Yard Committee - Katie Breen (5min)
 - b) Pizza day & Lunch program: Healthy options for '23 - Sarah/ Aleks/ Ashley (5min)

- c) Kids Clothes Swap - Claire/ Meredith (5min)
- d) Nakkertok ski trip – Rebecca/ Dave/ Hilary (5min)
- 9. Representatives:
 - a) Grade reps - Carlo/ Sarah/ Alex/ Daphne (10min)
 - b) OCASC - Daphne Dumbrille (5min)
 - c) Wellness - Rebekka Roy (5min)
- 10. Answer any pre-submitted questions (5min)
- 11. Varia (5min)
- 12. Closing and set next meeting Jan 2023 (5min)

As always, please find more information on our [School Council website](#), [Facebook page](#) and contact us by email: sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca

Thanks and happy weekend!

Petra Heitkamp, Chair, Hopewell Ave School Council

#HAPShots

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



