Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – November 18th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families,

We had another exciting week of learning together! A teacher/student football game after school on Tuesday and the arrival of our first snowfall were highlights outside of the classroom. Check out the end of this message for some fun photos!

Yesterday access to Progress Reports (grades 1-8) and Initial Observations of Learning (Kindergarten) were sent out via our SchoolMessenger system. If you did not receive your child's Progress Report or Initial Observations of Learning message, please reach out to our school office. Progress Reports are designed to share information about a child's general progress in working towards their achievement of the curriculum expectations. Progress Reports do not include marks or letter grades, but rather progress will be reported by indicating if the student is "progressing with difficulty", "progressing well", or "progressing very well". This report is intended to provide parents with an early indication of their child's progress and will communicate areas of growth.

Parent/guardian/teacher interviews will take place next Thursday evening and Friday morning. Details about interviews are in our School News section of this message.

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

Monday, November 28 - Gr 7 and Gr 8 Immunization Clinic Tuesday, December 13th, 7pm - School Council Meeting December 26th, 2022 - January 6th, 2023 - Winter Break, school is closed January 9th, 2023 - Return to school - 2023!

SCHOOL NEWS

Parent/Guardian Teacher Interviews

Parent/guardian/teacher interviews will take place the evening of Thursday, November 24th and the morning of Friday, November 25th. We have planned for in person interviews but are offering a virtual/phone option as well. In many cases families and educators have already had the chance to meet and an interview has not been requested. If your child's educator has requested an interview you will have received an email today. If you did not receive a request for an interview and would like to schedule a meeting, you may book a time through our online booking system which can be accessed by following this link:

https://www.schoolinterviews.ca/code/zzk84

Interviews are 10 minutes in duration to allow educators to meet with as many families as possible.

Clothing Drive



Hey Hopewell Families! Are you tossing touques? Do you have mini mitts that just don't fit? If so, we are having a winter clothing drive at school on Thursday November 24th! Parents/guardians can also drop items during interviews on Thursday night or Friday during interview times. Bring gloves, hats, mitts, jackets, snow pants and any other outdoor gear - all sizes from kids to adults will be gratefully received! All donations will go to families in need throughout Ottawa. We ask that all donations are cleaned before donating. Thanks for helping out!!

Extra Curricular @ Hopewell



Clubs and sports have started up once again and there is something for everyone. As the year progresses, there will be a variety of activities offered. For now, here is an overview of what's currently happening at Hopewell:

Primary Activities

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

• Junior Sports

- o Girls' Soccer Intramurals Fridays @ 1:40pm Gym
- Junior Dance begins Wednesday, Nov 16th at first nutrition break for grades 5-6 in the South Gym.

• Intermediate Activities:

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

See our <u>Intermediate Page</u> for the updated calendar of events and news about Intermediate life at Hopewell.

Book Fair

Thank You! Our Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success! Thank you to all families, teachers, and students who participated, supporting our school while enhancing home libraries. Your investment in your reader helped our school to earn valuable Rewards that can be redeemed for new books for our school library. A huge shout out to all of the student volunteers. The Book Fair would not happen without these wonderful volunteers.

Happy reading!



A Message From Our Hopewell Avenue Public School Council

Hello Hopewell parents and guardians,

Everyone excited with the snow? Have you gone through all your **winter clothes** and realize that many don't fit anymore? Please take part in the "Winter Clothing Drive" next week!

School Council is always looking for more hands to support ongoing and new activities. Interested? Please see below a few opportunities for you to join the great Hopewell community:

- Cross-country skiing: School Council has for many years organized ski-trips for the Grade5 kids to Nakkertok. We are hoping to plan an outing in the first months of 2023. We need parents/ volunteers to help us organize and make arrangements! Get in touch
- Interested in organizing a "Children's Clothing swap" in the Spring? We have a group of parents starting to plan and put ideas together. Please reach out to join!



Look out for more information on our <u>School Council website</u>, and <u>FaceBook page</u>.

Have a great weekend and don't hesitate to reach out with questions and ideas. Petra Heitkamp

Chair, Hopewell Ave Ps School Council

please contact us: sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca

DISTRICT NEWS

Annual Student Transportation Survey

Please complete OSTA's annual online transportation survey. We'd like to better understand how your child(ren) have been getting to school this year and what traffic impacts you have observed around your school site. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/98ZPBBG

HAPShots

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

