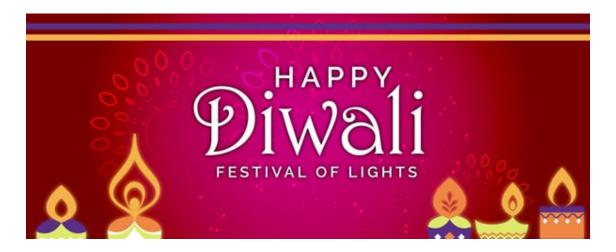
Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – October 21st, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families,

Happy Friday!

We hope everyone had a great week. This week flew by for our school community and we have a few updates to share.

This week our Intermediate Cross Country team participated in a regional meet. Eight of our students finished in the top 20 and all of our students did a fabulous job of representing our school. Congratulations to our Intermediate Cross Country Team! Thank you to Mme Lemyre for leading this group.

Our Junior Cross Country team is running next week on Wednesday the 26th. The Junior team is 115 members strong and includes students from grades 3 to 6.

Celebrated each year on the third Friday in October, Canadian Library Workers Day provides us with the opportunity to show our appreciation for library workers across our District. Much appreciation goes out to our very own Christine Power who keeps our library accessible and welcoming to all students and staff.

Our first in-person Intermediate assembly was held today - a student-created and student-led gathering that was met with resounding applause and enjoyment. Everyone is looking forward to the Fall Fling on the 28th of October. Ask your child some of the fun facts they learned about their teachers today!

Monday is Diwali. We would like to wish happiness, joy, peace and prosperity to families marking the festival of lights. Happy Diwali!

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

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine! Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Thursday, October 27th - IB Program Information Session for all grade eights Friday, October 28th - last day for Spirit Wear orders

Friday, November 4th - PA Day, no school for students

Monday, November 7th - Friday, November 11th - Scholastic Book Fair, further details coming

Tuesday, November 8th, 7pm - School Council Meeting

Thursday, November 17th - Progress Reports (Grades 1-8)/Initial Observations (Kindergarten) released.

Friday, November 25th - PA Day (interview day), no school for students

Monday, November 28 - Gr 8 and Gr 8 Immunization Clinic

Tuesday, December 13th, 7pm - School Council Meeting

December 26th, 2022 - January 6th, 2023 - Winter Break, school is closed

SCHOOL NEWS

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

Junior Sports

- o Cross Country Practices Mondays and Wednesdays @ 8:10 Brewer
- o Girls' Soccer Intramurals Fridays @ 1:40pm Gym
- o Boys' Soccer Practices Tuesdays and Thursdays @ 8:00 Turf Yard
- o Grade 5 and 6 Dance Club coming soon!

• 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
- X-Country Practice 8:10AM Brewer Park Mondays and Wednesdays
- o Football Friday mornings in the Turf Yard
- o Boys' Soccer Tuesday mornings on the Turf Yard

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

International Baccalaureate Presentation

Thursday, October 27th representatives from Colonel By SS will visit with grade eight students to share details about the International Baccalaureate program as an option for grade nine and beyond.

Hopewell Spirit Wear

This is our **last week to order** items through School Cash Online. If you're unsure of your child's size (or your own) we have sample clothing items at the main office for you to try on.

Showcase your #PegasusPride with Hopewell Spirit Wear. This fall we are offering:

- T-shirts
- Long sleeved shirts
- Hooded sweatshirts
- Crewneck sweatshirts (NEW!)
- Sweatpants
- Beanie toques
- Baseball caps

All items come in a variety of sizes and colours and proudly feature our Hopewell varsity 'H' in gold and purple - <u>photos and price list</u> (taxes included in all prices). Sample sizes are available in the office for those who are uncertain about sizing.

Orders can only be placed through School Cash Online beginning **Monday**, **October 17th** and will be available until **Friday**, **October 28th**. Items will be delivered mid to late November.



Hallowe'en



Hallowe'en is Monday, October 31st. Costumes are completely optional. If students decide to wear a costume to school, please follow the guidelines below. Wearing orange and black is an alternative as well.

Costume Guidelines:

- No costume masks please. Students need to be able to see clearly.
- Costumes need to be easy to walk and play in during recess and outdoor time
- Weapons or other accessories are not to be any part of the costume.

A Message From Our Hopewell Avenue Public School Council

Hello Hopewell parents and guardians,

While the leaves are turning colours we are wishing you all a beautiful autumn weekend. Please find below a few updates from School Council:

Next weekend (30 October) is our Yard Clean-up and Ski & Skate sale - Please join the Yard Fall clean-up for a great morning out on <u>our school yard!</u> Even better when you can shop for Winter-gear. Come out and join! Bring your rakes and bags, and we'll work together to make Hopewell a beautiful, clean environment!

For the Ski-Skate sale, we're looking for volunteers. Parents and teens come help with intake, display, and pricing gear from 1-5 pm on Saturday, October 29th.On Sunday, October 30th, from 9:30 am-1 pm, we need baked goods for our volunteers and help at the cash, selling gear (knowledgeable skiers/skaters needed), skate sharpening or ski tuning, and hosting community tables. We will also need a van to help clear the gear out of the garage at the end of the sale. Volunteers will have 15 minutes before the sale to shop. Very much looking forward to this great "Get Ready for Winter" event!





Look out for more information on our <u>School Council website</u> and <u>FaceBook page</u>. Our next School Council meetings are planned for Tuesday 8 November and Tuesday 13 December. Mark your calendars, more information will be sent out next week.

Thanks everyone! Have a great weekend and don't hesitate to reach out with questions and ideas.

Petra Heitkamp Chair, Hopewell Ave Ps School Council

DISTRICT NEWS

OCDSB Speaker Series Presents: Explore Digital Parenting with MediaSmarts



In recognition of Media Literacy Week from October 24th to 28th, the OCDSB has partnered with MediaSmarts to offer a virtual workshop for parents and guardians.

Join Matthew Johnson from MediaSmarts for "Explore Digital Parenting", a workshop that will provide information about managing kids' screen time, helping to keep children safe online, and setting household internet rules. Participants are encouraged to watch this one minute video ahead of the workshop.

Date: Tuesday, October 25th

Time: 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Register Now

MediaSmarts is a Canadian not-for-profit charitable organization for digital and media literacy. MediaSmarts has been developing digital and media literacy programs and resources for Canadian homes, schools and communities since 1996. Their work provides adults with information and tools to help children and teens develop the necessary critical thinking skills for interacting with the media they love.

The workshop will be held virtually, lasting approximately 45 minutes with an additional 15 minutes for questions.

2022 OCDSB Parent Conference - Register Now



Join us on Saturday, November 5th from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for our in-person Parent Conference at Ridgemont High School. We are pleased to have Dr. Michael Cheng join us from CHEO, as he shares with parents how to build resiliency in our children and youth in a world of uncertainty. Following our keynote, we will host multiple workshops - please note most workshops will be offered in English with several offered in Arabic and Somali.

Date: Saturday, November 5th 2022

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

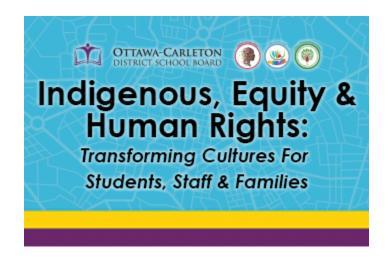
Location: Ridgemont High School, 2597 Alta Vista Drive

Register now for the 2022 Parent Conference.

For a full list of workshops and the conference agenda, visit our website.

The conference is sponsored by the OCDSB Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) and Family and Community Engagement (FACE).

Indigenous, Equity and Human Rights Road Trip: Transforming Cultures for Students, Staff and Families



The OCDSB will be hosting a special event to reflect on how far we've come and where we need to go to fulfill our commitments to Indigenous education, equity and human rights.

Released in 2020, the OCDSB Indigenous, Equity and Human Rights Roadmap charts our path in the goals and milestones we wish to reach so that all students can feel safe and welcome.

Working together, we must continue to identify and address systemic barriers that have prevented too many students from reaching their full potential. We need to ensure students see their identity positively reflected in their learning experience.

On Wednesday, November 9, 2022, we will launch what we're calling our Indigenous, Equity and Human Rights Road Trip with an event for students, families and staff at Woodroffe High School.

The event will include:

- Presentations and stories of actions taken at different schools and central departments
- A student panel to reflect on next steps
- Breakout sessions for participants to share their advice and ideas.

Over the course of the school year, this Road Trip will be a series of conversations across the district where we will discuss the Indigenous, Equity and Human Rights Roadmap journey - where we are, where we've been and where we need to go.

Date: Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

Location: Woodroffe High School, 2410 Georgina Drive, Ottawa

Registration:

All participants are asked to register at this link.

This will be an in-person event, although students, parents or staff can participate virtually via Zoom.

Students: Share your stories

The <u>2020-23 Indigenous</u>, <u>Equity and Human Rights Roadmap</u> aims to identify and address systemic barriers that impact students, staff and families.

We want to hear your stories about the journey so far: Students are invited to share their stories through videos, slide shows, creative expression (spoken word, poetry, art pieces), visual displays (photos, artwork, etc.) that show equity in action in your classrooms, student groups, or schools. Please fill out this <u>form</u> by Wednesday, October 26th to share your story about equity in action at the OCDSB.