

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – October 28th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families,

We have had many highlights this week that we are excited to share! We have also enjoyed the added bonus of the fabulous weather and the joys of autumn that have delivered spectacular colours around us and swirling leaves at our feet.

On Wednesday, following many practices in rain or shine and much anticipation, over 100 of our grades 3 to 6 students participated in the Regional Cross Country meet. Thank you to our fabulous students who represented Hopewell with pride! Thank you to coaches, Julie Cormier, Hannah Keating and Meaghan Storey. Thank you to parent/guardian volunteers who supported throughout the cross country season

Today our intermediate students participated in Fall Fling events. Music, dance and games options were available for our students and there was much fun to be had! It is so wonderful seeing our students have fun together.

On Monday Hopewell's Junior students will participate in a Halloween Dance during the last block of the day. Students are encouraged to wear their "dancing shoes" as DJs Fresh Hesh and Guylicious will spin Halloween and popular tunes. Students who prefer a quieter activity will have a space available for reading or drawing. A huge thanks to our parent DJs for their help.

Below you will find additional information items and upcoming events and opportunities. Please consider dropping by this Sunday for the Ski and Skate Sale and the yard clean-up on Sunday. Further details are below in the School Council message. Your support of these events is greatly appreciated!

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller
Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, October 30th - Yard Clean Up and Ski/Skate Sale

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

Tuesday, November 15th - Canterbury High School information session gr 7&8

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

January 9th, 2023 - Return to school - 2023!

SCHOOL NEWS

Grade Eight Update

All Grade 8 students participated in an information session about Colonel By's IB Programme yesterday. Interested students are encouraged to attend their Virtual Open House on November 22nd and connect with Ms. Neerhof about the application process.

Canterbury will also be visiting on November 15th to share details about the Arts Canterbury program. All Grade 7 and 8 classes will be attending. Further information is also below.

All information about pathways, applications, and open houses for Grade 9 is included on the Intermediate Page. More information about options will be shared in the coming months, so stay tuned! Reach out to Ms. Neerhof (jenna.neerhof@ocdsb.ca) if you have any questions.

Canterbury Information Session - 15 November

On Tuesday, November 15th Liz Hanson from Canterbury HS will be presenting to our Intermediate students. For more information on the programs offered at Canterbury HS, please visit the [updated Arts Canterbury site](#). Canterbury's Open House is scheduled on November 30th at 6:30PM.

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**

- Girls' Soccer - Intramurals Fridays @ 1:40pm - Gym
- 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
- Football - Friday mornings in the Turf Yard

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

Congratulations To One Of Our Fabulous Crossing Guards



Andrew Spicer was presented with the Employee of The Month award by the Ottawa Safety Council. Andrew has been the HAPS crossing guard at the corner of Bank and Sunnyside for over 6 years. His dedication to keeping our community safe was celebrated on Thursday, October 27th.

Hopewell Spirit Wear

Last call for Hopewell Spirit Wear! Hoodies! Orders have been extended to the end of the day on Monday, October 31st. 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 - [photos and price list](#) (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 **Monday, October 31st**. 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,

This 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 [our school yard](#)! 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!



hopewell avenue public school's
**ski&skate
SALE**
Sunday
October 30
9-noon
Drop off between 1-5PM
Saturday, **October 29**
@ Hopewell Ave. Parking
Garage (entrance on
Hopewell Avenue)
f @hopewellavepschoolcouncil

WANTED

- skates
- SNOWSHOE/ski BOOTS
- SLEDS
- winterized strollers
- skis
- ALL OTHER equipment that makes winter fun!
- snowshoes
- helmets
- poles
- snowboards
- goggles

You name the price
Council receives 30%
& you get 70%
Volunteers needed
A get 15 minutes prior to the sale to
put aside any items they would like to
purchase. For more information,
contact rebekka@rogers.com

Sunday
October 30
10am to noon
Hopewell Avenue
Public School's
YARD
clean up

Help make our kid's play space more beautiful.
Feel free to bring your gardening tools
& lots of fun energy!

for more information, visit:
www.hopewellaveps.scdsb.ca
f @hopewellavePSchoolcouncil

Coffee, Juice
& snacks provided!
Bonus points if you bring your own mug

Look out for more information on our [School Council website](#) and [FaceBook page](#).

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

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 [2020-23 Indigenous, Equity and Human Rights Roadmap](#) 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 [form](#) by Wednesday, October 26th to share your story about equity in action at the OCDSB.