Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – November 11th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families,

This week we acknowledged some very important days. Conversations about Treaties Recognition Week centered around our shared responsibility to know and understand that Canada was created through Treaties between the Crown and First Nations. On Tuesday we acknowledged National Indigenous Veterans Day. All of our students learned that this day was created in 1994 as Indigenous veterans were not recognized at official Remembrance Day ceremonies and were excluded from laying wreaths at the National War Memorial in Ottawa on Remembrance Day until 1995. Today we held our Remembrance Day Ceremonies. These ceremonies were student-led and gave our school community an opportunity to honour those who have given their lives, those who have served and continue to serve to defend our human rights, democracy and freedom.

Our library was a hub of activity this week as students had a chance to visit the Book Fair! Our students were so excited to shop for a special book. A huge thank you to Christine Power for organizing and running this event!

As shared through central messaging, Elementary report cards will be sent to families via email on Thursday, November 17th. You will need your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN) to access the report card. <u>Learn more</u> about how to find your child's OEN and how to use it to open the report card, and <u>follow this link</u> for help understanding your child's report card.

Please note, Thursday, November 17th is photo retake day. If your child was absent on photo day their smile will be captured on the 17th. If you would like a re-take, remind your child to head to the photo studio area when their class is called. A note to the homeroom teacher that you would like a retake would be appreciated as well.

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

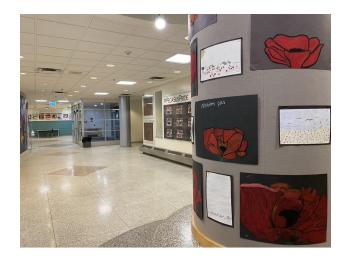
Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday, November 15th - Canterbury High School information session gr 7&8 Thursday, November 17th - Photo retake day

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

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 <u>updated Arts Canterbury site</u>. 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

o Primary Art Club with Ms. Upton, Tuesdays at first recess

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
- Study Hall Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
- Open Art Studio Tuesdays
- Maker Space Fridays
- o 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.

A Message From Our Hopewell Avenue Public School Council

Hello Hopewell parents and guardians,

This week we had our November Council meeting and discussed the Yard clean-up, and celebrated the successful Ski & Skate sale, amongst other things. You will be happy to hear that the school council funding, which is income from pizza and the ski-skate sale, is being put to good use already in the school: new calculators have been purchased!

We're wondering if there is interest in the Hopewell community for us to organize a "Children's Clothing swap"? Please reach out if you like this idea and would like to be involved.

We're happy to let you know that we are updating the <u>School Council website</u>, please check it out if you are looking for any information! Look out for more information on our <u>FaceBook page</u>.

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

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Chair, Hopewell Ave Ps School Council

DISTRICT NEWS

November is Holocaust Education Month



Recognized each year in November, Holocaust Education Month provides an important opportunity for students, staff, and families to learn more about the history and legacy of the Holocaust.

It is also a time to honour and remember the over six million Jews who were murdered by the Nazis, and the countless other victims who suffered during the Holocaust. At the OCDSB, it is our obligation to educate, prevent, challenge and address antisemitism in all its forms. Educating students about the Holocaust, equipping staff members with helpful resources and lessons, and sharing additional information with families is an important part of this responsibility. We know that learning from our past is critical to shaping a more inclusive future. We must continue working together to build a future that is free of antisemitism and hate. Resources and learning opportunities have been shared with educators in order to help guide student learning during Holocaust Education Month. In addition, there are a number of opportunities for students and families to participate in events as well. Please continue reading to learn more.

Participate in an Event

Please note, events and learning opportunities geared specifically towards educators have been shared directly with OCDSB staff.

- For the Child Exhibit: "For the Child" is a photographic exhibition that tells the story of the organized rescue transport of Jewish children to Great Britain in 1938-1939. The exhibit is open at City Hall during regular opening hours until October 31, 2022.
- Holocaust Education Month Launch Event: At 7:00 p.m. on November 10, the Centre for Holocaust Education and Scholarship is hosting a virtual event featuring award-winning Holocaust historian, Dr. Wendy Lower.

Additional Resources

- Explore <u>these videos</u> from the Centre for Holocaust Education and Scholarship (CHES)
- Watch <u>"Behind the Lies of Holocaust Denial"</u>, a TEDTalk by Deborah Lipstadt
- Visit the website for the <u>Centre for Holocaust Education and Scholarship</u> (CHES)

HAPShots

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

