

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – April 12th, 2024



Dear Hopewell Families,

Happy Friday!

We hope everyone has had a great week. Starting the week with a solar eclipse was certainly special.

This week we were able to open our play structures. Our slides and monkey bars are back in action and there is a new layer of excitement at recess time!

Congratulations to Hopewell's Intermediate Concert bands. On Monday evening they participated in the Kiwanis Festival. The grade 7 band performed with great focus and tasteful nuance and earned gold! The grade 8 band played some very challenging repertoire with many magical moments and earned silver!. Thank you to Marya Woyiwada for leading the bands!

Last night Hopewell's first annual Chess Tournament took place. Congratulations to all the participants who brought their A game. There was lots of great strategy and effort in the Hopewell house! Thank you to our wonderful school council for organizing this event and to Venus Nikseresht for all of her work coordinating the event and to Mrs. Thiessen for nurturing all of our chess players through the Chess Club.

Reposts of class placement and planning information for fall, 2024 as well as our Spring Spiritwear news are below. As always, highlights of this week's learning captured in #HAPShots can be found at the end of this message.

Eid Mubarak to those families who celebrated Eid this week!

Have a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller
Principal & Vice-Principal

X: @HopewellAvePS

Instagram: @HopewellAvePS



UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, April 28th - Anything On Wheels Sale & Yard Clean-Up

May 6th - May 10th - Education Week - Watch for special events during this week
May 10th, 8:00am - 9:00am - Volunteer Breakfast
Monday, May 20th - Victoria Day, School Is Closed
Monday, May 27th - Friday, May 31st - EQAO for grade 3 students
Monday, June 3rd - Thursday, June 6th - EQAO for grade 6 students
Friday, June 7th - PA Day, no school for students
Tuesday, June 25th (morning) - Grade 8 Leaving Ceremony
Thursday, June 27th - Last Day Of School

SCHOOL NEWS

Extra Curricular @ Hopewell



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

Primary and Junior Activities

Grades 1 & 2 Choir - Mondays at 11:35 in Room 100.

Grades 3-6 Choir - Thursdays at 11:10 in Room 407.

Families, if your child is in one of our choirs and you would like an easy way to stay informed, you can help them join the Choir GoogleClassroom with their OCDSB account.

The code for the Grade 1-2 Choir GoogleClassroom is ha6t3hh

The code for the Grade 3-6 Choir GoogleClassroom is 56pypaj

Nicola Williams nicola.williams@ocdsb.ca

Primary Art Club - Fridays in room 100 during second break 1:40-2:20. Contact: jacey.upton@ocdsb.ca

Junior Dance Club (grades 4 - 6) - Mondays at 11:10am in the North Gym. Contact: jenna.kennedy@ocdsb.ca

Junior Textiles Club (grades 4 - 6) - Thursdays with Ms Thiessen Contact: jennifer.thiessen@ocdsb.ca

Junior Visual Arts Open Studio (grades 4 - 6) - Wednesdays at 11:10am with Mme Meier-Legault Contact: hannah.meier-legault@ocdsb.ca

Chess Club (grades 1 - 6) - Wednesdays at 1:40pm in room 424. Contact: jennifer.thiessen@ocdsb.ca

Grades 3-5 Math Club - Tuesdays at 1:40pm in room 424. Contact: elizabeth.vorobej@ocdsb.ca

Junior Minecraft Club - Thursdays at 1:40pm in room 100. Contact: meg.fracke@ocdsb.ca

Junior DnD Club - Tuesdays at 11:10pm. Contact: meghana.storey@ocdsb.ca

Class Placements And Planning For 2024-2025

Our school team puts a great deal of thought and time into organizing classes.

We consider a variety of criteria, putting the academic and social/emotional needs of each student as the highest priority.

Appreciating that the development of classes is a thoughtful process, if you feel you have a very special need to be considered or believe that we need to have additional information to best place your child, please put it in writing and address to: martina.sherwood@ocdsb.ca by **Friday, April 26th, 2024**. Please note: friend and teacher requests do not fall into this category and will not be considered.

Please also let the office know if your child will be leaving Hopewell in September 2024 as this will assist us with our projections for staffing purposes.

2024 Valuing Voices - Identity Matters Student Survey

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April 11 - May 10, 2024

The OCDSB Student Survey will run from **April 11 to May 10, 2024**. The survey will have two parts: identity-based (demographic) questions and school climate questions. Our grade 7 and 8 students will be completing the survey during class time on April 17th and 18th.

Who completes the survey?

- Parents/caregivers of students in Kindergarten through grade 6 are encouraged to complete one survey per child.
- Students in grades 7-12 complete the survey during class time at school.
- Student/caregiver participation is voluntary and confidential.

For more information, please visit: [Identity Matters Student Survey](#)

Spring Spiritwear On Sale April 5th through April 26th!

Show off your #PegasusPride in style by purchasing your Spiritwear pieces this month. All of your favourite pieces are back on offer along with **TWO NEW OPTIONS** this season: t-shirt or baseball hat with the updated graphic logo! Full descriptions, sizes, prices, and ordering available through [SchoolCash Online](#).



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Intermediate News Transition to Grade 9

As a reminder, if your child's plans for Grade 9 for September change in the coming months, please let us know as soon as possible so we can update

registration and support adjusting course selection. This might include changing addresses to another school catchment, changing boards, or moving out of the country. If you have any questions, please email yanka.petrova@ocdsb.ca and jenna.neerhof@ocdsb.ca.

OCDSB Indigenous Student Resource Newsletter and Student Circles



The latest edition of the OCDSB Indigenous Student Resource Newsletter can be accessed [here](#).

The next in-person Student Circle will be hosted at Hopewell by Minwaashin Lodge on April 18th. If you would like your child to participate or would like more information about the Student Circle, please reach out to Kris or us at Hopewell.

[Kris Meawasige Contact](#)

Sign up for the bi-weekly Indigenous Student Resource Newsletter [here](#).

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HOPEWELL AVENUE PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL



Hello Hopewell Community,

Thank you for supporting our two recent events Movie Night last week and this week's Chess tournament were a great success. Thank you to the volunteers as always we couldn't run these events without you.

Our next big event is the eagerly anticipated **Anything on Wheels Sale** and **School Yard Clear Up** on the weekend of April 27th/28th. So please mark your calendars and spread the word. Saturday, April 27th, from 1-5 pm to drop off your gear to sell and on April 28th, from 9-noon for the sale and yard clean up. We look forward to seeing you there. If you would like to volunteer in this fun community initiative please reach out via email to sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca

Thank you!

Petra Heitkamp and Claire Kerry,
Co-Chairs, Hopewell Ave PS School Council

Hopewell Ave Public School presents

April 28
9-noon



**ANYTHING ON
WHEELS**

Consignment **SALE** & fundraiser
Drop off from 1-5pm, Saturday, April 27th
Hopewell Avenue parking garage (17 Hopewell Avenue)

Name your price & receive 70% of the sale

Visit www.hopewellaveps.ocdsb.ca for details

Volunteers needed! Helpers get 15 minutes prior to the sale to put aside any items they would like to purchase. For more information, contact rebekkawroy@gmail.com

bikes, skateboards, scooters, strollers, unicycles, summer sports gear

Bike Tune-ups, City of Ottawa's Bike Rodeo & Bake Sale!



Sunday
April 28
9am to noon

**Hopewell Avenue
Public School's**

YARD
clean up

Help make our kids' play space more beautiful!
Please bring your gardening tools,
wheelbarrows, & awesome energy!

ALL AGES WELCOME!

For more information, visit:



@hopewellavePSSchoolCouncil

Coffee, Juice

& snacks provided

(don't forget your mug!)

Need highschool volunteer hours? We'd love your support!

#HAPShots





