

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – February 23rd, 2024



Dear Hopewell Families,

We hope everyone had a great week. It was a short week for our Hopewell community, filled with lots of learning and activities.

Highlights to look for next week include Toonie Tuesday, Pink Shirt Day and Popcorn sales! Details about all of these initiatives are below.

We are gearing up for Manie Musicale. This is a month-long competition between artists and songs celebrating French language and culture through music. Many links to the curriculum in various subjects can be used through this fantastic program. Our students listen to a curated playlist of French songs from around the world, learn about various artists and their home countries, and vote on their favourites. There are over 30 countries participating in the event! Which song will win the popular vote? Stay tuned!

As always, #HAPShots are included in this message, capturing many of the highlights of our week, including the Manie Musicale Tournament Bracket bulletin board in the atrium! We invite you to take a look at some of the learning captured in this week's photos.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller
Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday, February 27th - Grade 8 Photo Re-Takes

Tuesday, March 5th - Hopewell School Council Meeting, 7pm, Library
Monday, March 11th - Friday, March 15th - March Break
Thursday, March 28th - Movie Night
Friday, March 29th - Good Friday, School Is Closed
Monday, April 1st - Easter Monday, School Is Closed
Monday, April 8th - No school for students
Sunday, April 28th - Anything On Wheels Sale & Yard Clean-Up
May 6th - May 10th - Education Week - Watch for special events during week
Monday, May 20th - Victoria Day, School Is Closed
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

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: alyson.scrim@ocdsb.ca

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

Junior Girls and Boys Volleyball - encourage your child to listen to announcements and/or check announcements posted in the atrium. Contact: jenna.kennedy@ocdsb.ca and meghana.storey@ocdsb.ca

Popcorn

Students will have the opportunity to purchase a bag of popcorn next week and will receive it on Tuesday, March 5th. This is a cash only initiative and a bag of popcorn is \$2. Popcorn must be pre-ordered and orders will be accepted next Tuesday and Wednesday. Further details are below.



Toonie Tuesday is February 27, 2024!

A donation of \$2 can be the difference between nothing and something. This [Toonie Tuesday](#), February 27th, we can all come together to support students in need within the OCDSB. But you don't have to wait until then. You can donate [right here, right now!](#) Let your toonie be the stepping stone to student success.

Pink Shirt Day



In 2007 in Nova Scotia, Grade 12 students David Shepherd, Travis Price and a few friends saw that a Grade 9 student was being bullied for wearing a pink shirt on the first day of school. They knew they had to do something to show that this kind of behaviour was not OK. They decided to go out and buy a bunch of pink shirts and hand them out to other students to wear. By the end of that week, most of the students in the school were wearing pink shirts to show support for the Grade 9 student who was bullied. Pink Shirt Day has now spread and become a national day of anti-bullying across Canada and other countries around the world!

This year's Pink Shirt Day theme is ***Be Kind And Lift Each Other Up***. Next Wednesday we encourage all members of our school community to wear pink to symbolize that bullying is not tolerated. Every day we hope and expect our students to demonstrate kindness towards one another. We know we can do this together!

Intermediate News

Grade 9 Course Selection

A reminder that Grade 8s should aim to have their course planners submitted by today, with Xello fully closing on March 1. As students submit their course planners, a reminder that the final step in this process is having guardians approve student course requests. [This is done through this electronic form](#) - you can fill this out once you have viewed and approved your child's requests. If you have any questions, please email jenna.neerhof@ocdsb.ca

Canadian Computing Competition

A group of 6 keen coders from Grades 7 and 8 participated in the Canadian Computing Competition this past Wednesday. Kudos to them all for taking on this challenge!

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 February 22nd. 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



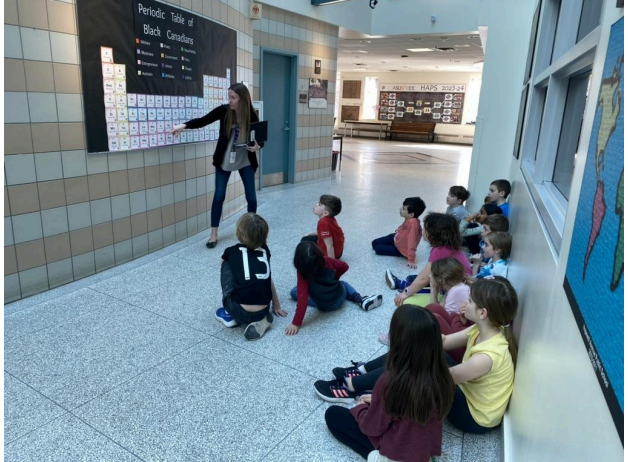
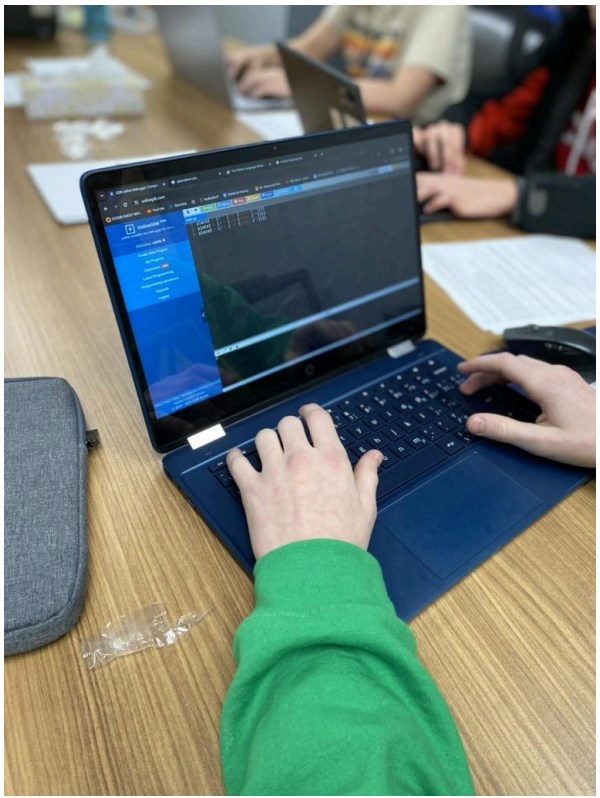
Hello Wonderful Hopewell Community,
Short message this week to wish you all a fabulous weekend!

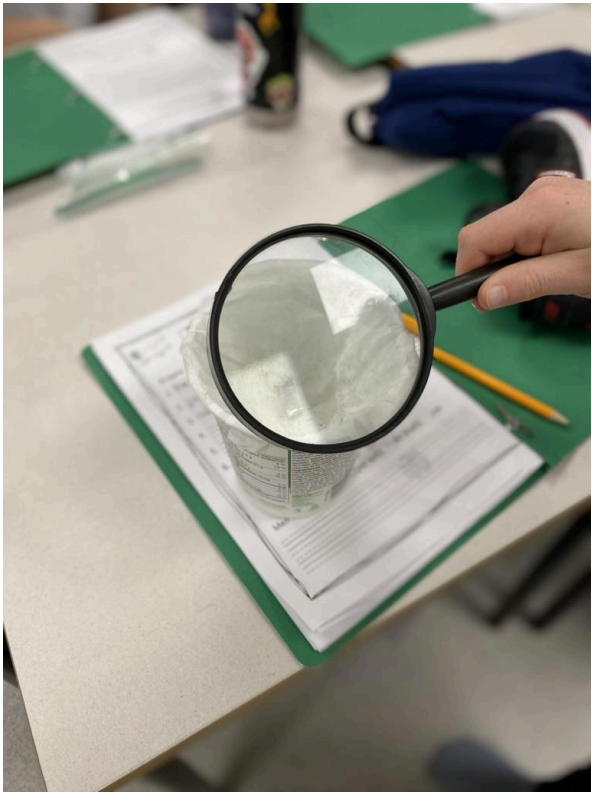
- Next School Council meeting: Tuesday 5 March

Find more information on School Council on our [School Council website](#), [Facebook page](#)

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

#HAPShots







DISTRICT NEWS

Join us on February 24th as we celebrate Black culture and achievements

BLACK HISTORY SHOWCASE:
Honouring Black Excellence

OTTAWA-CARLETON DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

DATE:
February 24, 2024

TIME:
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

VENUE:
Longfields-Davidson Heights Secondary School

Join us Saturday, February 24th as we host the Black History Showcase: Honouring Black Excellence. This event is sponsored by the OCDSB's Family and Community Engagement (FACE) team, in collaboration with Future Paths Network, V2V Project, and the Somali Centre for Family Services. This in-person event, celebrating Black culture and achievements will be held between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Longfields-Davidson Heights Secondary School.

What's happening:

- Panel Discussions
- Performances by OCDSB students and staff, and community members.
- Opportunities to interact with, and learn more about the work of OCDSB Black Student Unions.
- Community Partners and vendors sharing information about the services they offer.

[Register Now!](#)