

## Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – January 12th, 2024



Dear Hopewell Families,

Happy New Year! We were excited to welcome students back on Monday for the first school day of 2024. Over the holiday there were some projects taking place in our school. New flooring was installed in two classrooms and throughout our library area. Also, the third and fourth floor bathrooms were renovated with new stalls and a fresh coat of paint. These were all welcomed improvements and according to a grade one student the changes are “very stylish!”

A new year sometimes brings new challenges. Our voicemail and attendance line are now back up and running. Thank you for your patience this week as we worked out the bugs in the system. You can once again leave a voice message to share your child’s absence (613-239-2348 option 1) or use our attendance email [absencehope@ocdsb.ca](mailto:absencehope@ocdsb.ca) to share the information. This contact information can also be found on our [school website](#).

As we move into the new year we start to think about the 2024-2025 school year. With this in mind, please review the registration and transfer dates posted below. Our kick-off to registration begins Monday. If you have neighbours who might be future Hopewell students, please spread the word! Our Kindergarten Information Night is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23rd at 6:30pm in our library.

With the arrival of winter weather we continue to remind students about winter safety. This week we shared some winter walking tips with students - staying clear of snowbanks and being aware of your surroundings at all times, especially at intersections, were key points. Most of our students are walkers and we are situated in a busy area. Safety is a priority! The Ottawa Safety Council website is a great resource for safety reminders. Their [5 Winter Walking Safety Tips](#) page is particularly appropriate for this time of year.

A further safety reminder is extended to families who drive and drop students off at the school. Please remember that the area on both sides of the street at the front of the school are no stopping zones - not even for a quick drop off. Stopped cars limit sightlines. If you are dropping off your child, please park away from the school. Every effort to avoid driving on Hopewell Avenue at entry and dismissal times is deeply appreciated.

As always, #HAPShots are included in this message, capturing many of the highlights of our week. There is lots of exciting learning happening in our Hopewell house!

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller  
Principal & Vice-Principal

X: @HopewellAvePS



### UPCOMING DATES

Friday, January 12th, 2024 - Milk - Orders close  
Tuesday, January 16th - School Council, 7pm in library  
Tuesday, January 23rd - Kindergarten Information Night, 6:30pm in library  
Thursday, January 25th - Movie Night hosted by School Council  
Thursday, January 25th - Pizza and Subway - Orders close  
Friday, January 26th - PA Day, No School For Students  
Friday, February 16th - PA Day, No School For Students  
Monday, February 19th - Family Day, School Is Closed  
Monday, March 11th - Friday, March 15th - March Break

### SCHOOL NEWS

**Milk Orders Term 2 \*\*PLS NOTE DEADLINE\*\***



Milk orders are now being accepted in [school cash online](#) for Term 2 (white or chocolate). The cost is \$64.80 for daily delivery between February 1 and June 6th. Orders will be open until **January 12th**. Don't forget to mooooooove quickly on this one!

### Registration and Transfer Information for 2024-2025

The following timelines will apply for the 2024-2025 school year for; kick-off to the 2024-2025 registration period, the student transfer period for the elementary and secondary panels, and the French Immersion program registration period.

The information, including the online Student Transfer Application forms can also be found on the Board's website: [www.ocdsb.ca](http://www.ocdsb.ca). A Kindergarten Information Evening will be held at Hopewell on Tuesday, January 23rd, 2024 at 6:30pm in our school library.

Kick-off to 2024-2025 Registration	Monday, January 15 to Friday, January 19, 2024
Elementary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 29 to Friday, February 9, 2024
Secondary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 29 to Friday, February 9, 2024
Middle French Immersion Registration Period	Monday, February 5 to Friday, February 9, 2024

**Extra Curricular @ Hopewell**



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

### Primary and Junior Activities

Grades 1 & 2 Choir (resuming in January) - Mondays at 11:35 in Room 100.

Grades 3-6 Choir (resuming in January) - 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](mailto:nicola.williams@ocdsb.ca)

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

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

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

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

Grade Three Math Club - Tuesdays at 1:40pm in room 424. Contact: [elizabeth.vorobej@ocdsb.ca](mailto:elizabeth.vorobej@ocdsb.ca)

Junior Yo-Yo and Minecraft Club - Tuesdays at 1:40pm in room 100. Contact: [alyson.scrim@ocdsb.ca](mailto:alyson.scrim@ocdsb.ca)

### Intermediate News

A reminder that all extracurriculars, workshops, and special presentations are always included on the Intermediate Extras calendar. This calendar can be viewed through the [Intermediate Page](#), or accessed through the [HOSSS](#). Keep in mind that these are only viewable when logged into Chrome with an OCDSB student account for privacy purposes - ask your child to log in to show you at home!

### 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 January 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 Wonderful Hopewell Community,

Happy New Year - looking forward to working together with you in 2024

A few reminders:

1. Our Parent Wellness meetups continue in 2024, they happen the second Friday of the month. Please join some fabulous parents (and members of the School Council) for a coffee and conversation.
2. Our first School Council meeting of 2024 will be on Tuesday 16th January in-person in the School Library at 7pm, All are welcome to attend. Find more information on School Council on our [School Council website](#), [Facebook page](#)
3. **Orders for Pizza Friday's and Subway Monday's lunches will close January 25th.** Order via your [School Cash Online](#) account.
4. We are excited to announce a new lunch program through Family Table. Please visit [familytableottawa.com/hopewellschool](https://familytableottawa.com/hopewellschool) for details.  
Posters are below.



# Hopewell Lunch Program

Small - \$8.50

Large - \$12.50

all meals come with fresh fruit & veggies, and  
two snacks



[www.familytableottawa.com/hopewellschool](http://www.familytableottawa.com/hopewellschool)



# Lunch Menu

## February 6/7/8 & March 5/6/7

Spaghetti & Meatballs  
Spaghetti & Veg Meatballs (V)  
Turkey Pizza Rolls  
Cheese Pizza Rolls (V)  
Chicken Caesar Salad  
Chickpea Caesar Salad (V)  
Cheese Baked Tortellini (V)  
Pasta & Butter Sauce (V)

## February 13/14/15

Chicken Gyro  
Falafel Wrap (V)  
Beef Lasagna  
Vegetarian Lasagna (V)  
Chicken Taco Salad  
Bean Taco Salad (V)  
Mac & Cheese (V)  
Pasta & Butter Sauce (V)

## February 20/21/22

Beef Pita Pies  
Bean Pita Pies (V)  
Chili Quesadilla  
Cheese Quesadilla (V)  
Meatballs & Rice  
Veg Balls & Rice (V)  
Pizza Salad  
Pizza Salad (V)  
Pasta & Butter Sauce

## February 27/28/29

Chicken Strips & Rice  
Veggie Strips & Rice (V)  
Chicken Fajita Wrap  
Bean Fajita Wrap (V)  
Chicken Fajita Salad  
Bean Fajita Salad (V)  
Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup (V)  
Pasta & Butter Sauce (V)

all meals come with fresh fruit & veggies and two snacks  
meals for after March break to the end of the year will be posted in February





Fridays  
January 12  
February 9  
March 8

Hopewell Ave. PS  
School Council Room  
Rm 225  
noon to 1:30 pm

coffee time  
2nd Friday of every month!

Expand your village, meet other  
Hopewell Parents/Guardians &  
*Coffee, tea, & scones!*

Please bring your own mug.

Can't make this one? No problem!  
We will be meeting on the 2nd Friday of every month!

Brought to you by your Hopewell Ave PS School Council.  
Please contact [sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca](mailto:sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca) for more details.



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

#HAPShots





