

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – November 10th, 2023



Dear Hopewell Families,

On Wednesday 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.

School Fees continue to be received. The link to contribute will be open until Monday. Details are once again noted below.

Access to Progress Reports (Grade 1 to 8) and Initial Observations of Learning (Kindergarten) 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. [Learn more](#) about how to find your child's OEN and how to use it to open the report card, and [follow this link](#) for help understanding your child's report card.

Please note, Thursday, November 16th is photo retake day. If your child was absent on photo day their smile will be captured on the 16th. 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.

As always, #HAPShots are included in this message, capturing many of the highlights of our week. Also, read about an upcoming Book Fair and our fall Pegasus Pride Clothing Sale. Timelines are tight to place clothing orders to ensure orders are received before the December holiday.

This Sunday is Diwali. We would like to wish happiness, joy, peace and prosperity to families marking the festival of lights. Happy Diwali!

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 14th, 7pm - School Council in the library

Thursday, November 16th - Photo Retake Day

Thursday, November 16th - Progress Reports/Initial Observations of Learning shared electronically

Friday, November 24th - PA Day, no school for students

Friday, December 1st - Grade 7 & 8 vaccination clinic

SCHOOL NEWS

School Fees

The Hopewell Team is committed to providing activities to support your child's learning. We are requesting a voluntary student fee of \$20.00 from each student in order to enhance our program. Payments can be made through our SchoolCashOnline system. If you have not yet signed up for SchoolCashOnline, sign up takes less than 5 minutes and you can register at:

<https://ocdsb.schoolcashonline.com> OR follow the link on [Hopewell's website](#).

For families with more than two children attending, Hopewell student fees will be capped at \$40.00. Please note that this fee does not include the cost of field trips initiated by individual classes. Should surplus funds remain in the school fee account at the end of the school year, they will be directed to support the purchase of additional opportunities/materials to enhance student learning experiences at the school.

The student fee will be used to purchase supplies for specialized arts activities, materials for unique science and mathematics opportunities, and special presentations/assemblies.

Thank you for your support!

Gr 7 & 8 Vaccination Clinic at Hopewell

An Ottawa Public Health Intermediate vaccination clinic will be held at Hopewell on Dec 1st. Look for more information and consent forms being sent home on Nov 23rd.

Spirit Wear

Wear your #PegasusPride on your sleeve! Hopewell Clothing Orders will be open from November 10th until November 19th through [School Cash Online](#). T-shirts (short & long-sleeved), hoodies, sweatpants, hats, and toques are on offer this season. There will be a second order in the Spring for those who are interested.

Item	Sizes	Colours	Price/Item
Short Sleeve T-Shirt	Youth XS-XL	Gold Black Sport Grey Light Pink Purple	\$18.00
	Adult S-2XL	Gold Black Sport Grey Light Pink Purple	\$18.00
Long Sleeve T-Shirt	Youth XS-XL	Gold * only size S + up Black Sport Grey Purple * only size S + up	\$30.00
	Adult S-2XL	Gold Black Sport Grey Purple	\$30.00
Hoodie	Youth M-XL	Gold Black Sport Grey Light Pink Purple	\$40.00
	Adult S-XL	Gold Black Sport Grey Light Pink Purple	\$45.00
	Adult 2XL	ALL colours as above	\$50.00
Sweatpants	Youth S-XL	Black Sport Grey	\$35.00
	Adult S-XL	Black Sport Grey	\$35.00
Beanie Toque	One Size Fits All	Heather Charcoal Purple	\$25.00
Baseball Cap	Youth O/S	Slate Grey	\$22.00
	Adult XS, S/M, L/XL	Dark Grey Purple	\$40.00



Extra Curricular @ Hopewell



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

Primary and Junior Activities

Grades 1 and 2 Choir - Mondays in room 100 during the 11:35 recess. Contact: nicola.williams@ocdsb.ca

Grades 3 to 6 Choir - Thursdays in room 100 during the 11:35 recess. Contact: nicola.williams@ocdsb.ca

Textiles Club - Thursdays with Ms Thiessen Contact: jennifer.thiessen@ocdsb.ca

Primary Chess Club - Wednesdays at 1:40pm in room 424 Contact: jennifer.thiessen@ocdsb.ca

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

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

Junior Boys and Girls Bordenball is starting - stay tuned for details.

Intermediate News

Get Real Inclusivity Workshop

Grade 7s and 8s will participate in an Inclusivity Workshop by Get Real on Monday November 27th. These workshops are funded by our board and supported by our Equity Team. [An agenda of the workshop can be found here.](#) Classes will partake in pre-workshop and debrief activities to support this experience. We would appreciate it if you could support by having follow up conversations at home to consolidate this important learning. If you have any questions, please reach out to jenna.neerhof@ocdsb.ca

Community Lunch

On Tuesday, the Grade 7s and 8s had the opportunity to eat lunch with their same grade peers in the atrium. It was a great opportunity for students across classes and streams to socialize together. We encourage students to bring cards, games, or activities for our next lunch scheduled for late December.



Transition to Grade 9

Grade 8 families should continue to check the [Parent Reference Sheet](#) for Open House information, and watch their emails for specific updates. If you have any questions, please reach out to jenna.neerhof@ocdsb.ca.

Book Fair



Dear Hopewell families!

The school will once again be hosting a book fair. We are very excited to announce that this year our book fair will be hosted by **Octopus Books**. The Fair will be held the week of November 20th, 2023.

Students will visit the Fair during class time and can purchase books during that visit. Friends and families will also be welcome to visit during parent/teacher interviews the evening of Thursday, November 23rd and the morning of Friday, November 24th.

By encouraging your child to read, purchasing books and supporting our Book Fair, you enable our school to obtain new resources.

OCDSB Indigenous Student Resource Newsletter and Student Circles



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

A bi-weekly, in-person Student Circle will be hosted at Hopewell by Minwaashin Lodge. 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 -

Please join us for our next School Council meeting on Tuesday 14 November in the School Library. We are discussing and approving the 2023-24 Budget as a key item, and welcome your input. Anyone is welcome to drop in. If you would like to receive the full agenda and invitation, please reach out (sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca).

Meet our Parent Representatives on School Council and do reach out to them with questions and suggestions.



Find more information on our [School Council website](#), [Facebook page](#) or contact us by email: sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca.

Thank you!

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

#HAPShots









