

Dear Hopewell Families,

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day is a day of mourning and remembrance for Indigenous Peoples, and offers an opportunity to reflect and honour survivors, their families, and communities. This year, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation falls on Saturday, September 30. Today we acknowledged this day at Hopewell in many ways. Students wore orange as a symbol of support and took time to reflect on the meaning behind this day. This week and all year long students engage in learning activities to increase awareness and understanding of the lasting impact of Canada's residential school system on Indigenous communities across Canada. We strive to embed and celebrate the brilliance, richness and diversity of Indigenous people, traditions, culture (historical and contemporary), and ways of knowing into the everyday lives and learning of students. We are grateful to have members of our school district's Indigenous team as partners.

On Tuesday, we held our first Food Drive in support of the Centretown Emergency Food Centre. We extend deepest thanks to our school community for the donations and support. Photos can be seen below. A shout out to Mr. Wood's R8A class for gathering and organizing all of the donations!

Our fabulous School Council is hard at work and has lots of news to share. September's School Council Meeting formed a new executive and members are listed below.

Co-Chairs - Petra Heitkamp and Claire Kerry

Treasurer - Allen Leblanc Secretary - Alex Randall

As always, #HAPShots are included in this message, capturing some highlights of our week.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine!

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller Principal & Vice-Principal

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### **UPCOMING DATES**

Friday, October 6th - PA Day, no school for students
Monday, October 9th - Thanksgiving, school is closed
Tuesday, October 10th, 7pm - School Council Meeting, Library
Tuesday, October 10th - First Subway lunch day
Wednesday, October 11th - School Photo Day
Friday, October 13th - First Pizza day
Sunday, October 22nd - Ski/Skate Sale
Friday, November 3rd - PA Day, no school for students
Thursday, November 16th - Photo Retake Day
Friday, November 24th - PA Day, no school for students

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

## Extra Curricular @ Hopewell



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

# **Primary and Junior Activities**

Choir - Rehearsals are Thursdays at 11:10 in room 407. All are welcome. Contact: nicola.williams@ocdsb.ca

Junior Boys and Girls Soccer Tryouts - Tuesday and Thursday at 8am. Permission forms are outside Room 424. Contact: <a href="mag.fracke@ocdsb.ca">meg.fracke@ocdsb.ca</a> (girls)
Junior Cross-Country - Practices will be Monday and Wednesday mornings from 8:05-8:55 at Brewer Park starting Monday, September 18th. Permission forms have been shared. Contact: <a href="mag.hana.storey@ocdsb.ca">meaghana.storey@ocdsb.ca</a>

### **Intermediate Activities:**

Our clubs and teams are starting up and we encourage Intermediate students to stay tuned to the daily announcements, visit the <u>Intermediate Page</u>, or our new <u>HOSSS</u> (Hopewell One Stop Student Shop) to find all the information they need. Start up information about Art Club, volunteering for announcements, Sports Leadership Club, Senior and Jazz Band and this year's musical has already been announced. It's never too late to get involved!

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR HOPEWELL AVENUE PUBLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL



Hello Wonderful Hopewell Community,

A few updates from School Council:

<u>Lunches</u>: Please order Pizza and Subway through School Cash online before 1 October 2023.

Check out <u>Mazzola</u> if you would like to order more or different lunch options on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. As of 11 October, parents place their orders directly online on Mazzola's platform (<u>How to place an order</u>). You can read more details on <u>our website</u>.

- <u>Upcoming Events</u>: This weekend is perfect for clearing out closets, sheds and the garage! Select winter gear for the famous *Ski & Skate sale on 22 October*! Book your calendar Everyone is invited to participate! You get 70% of the final sale (you choose the price), and our School Council receives 30% to put towards maintaining our Yard, funding student/parent wellness, and so much more!
  - *Intake:* Saturday, October 21st, from 2-5pm
  - Sale: Sunday, October 22nd from 9am -12pm
  - Yard clean up: Sunday, October 22nd, from 9-12pm.
  - Snacks and drinks, including Happy Goat coffee, will be provided to volunteers!



Thanks to everyone who's stepped up to volunteer for School Council for this School Year 2023-2024 (see all positions)! Want to know more, receive invitations to school council meetings or get engaged in our Hopewell community? Add your name to the mailing-list or volunteer list, please use this Registration form.

Find more information on our <u>School Council website</u>, <u>Facebook page</u> or contact us by email: sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca.

Looking forward to collaborating with many of you this upcoming School Year.

Petra Heitkamp and Claire Kerry,

Co-Chairs, Hopewell Ave PS School Council





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