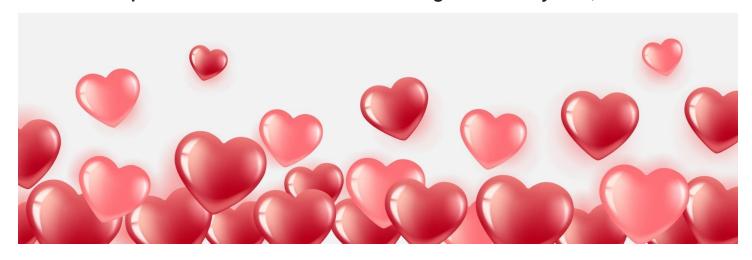
Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – February 17th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families:

The joys of spirit week were spread throughout our building this week. Monday was a sea of red, pink and hearts, Tuesday it was a perfect rainbow of colours day, on Wednesday we welcomed many wacky hats and hairdos and today was all about the sports world. It has been an uplifting week in our school community.

Yesterday Term One Report Cards (Grades 1 to 8) and Kindergarten Communications of Learning were made available through SchoolMessenger. If you were not able to access these documents for your child(ren) please reach out to our school office - 613-239-2348. Educators continue to be available to answer any questions and work in partnership with you to support your child's learning.

OCDSB messaging was recently sent to families confirming that schools have received additional rapid antigen tests. These kits are available to students who have used both of their original tests and require replacements. Should you require additional tests for your child, please email us at: hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca with the subject line: Rapid Antigen Test Request. Include the name and homeroom of your child in your message.

Please continue to complete the <u>COVID Screening</u> with your children everyday prior to their arrival. If your child is going to be absent, please remember to call our attendance line (613-239-2348, press 1) to report the absence. The OPH flowchart to understand <u>symptoms</u> and <u>isolation requirements</u> is a valuable resource as well.

For families interested in registering for Ottawa-Carleton Virtual Learning information is included below. School Council is hosting an Emotion Coaching workshop and details about this opportunity are also detailed below.

Tomorrow our school team is participating in a day of professional learning and there will be no school for students. Monday is Family Day and the school is closed.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions.

Thank you, as always, for your partnership. Stay safe and take good care.

Martina Sherwood & Christopher Wereley Principal & Vice Principal Hopewell Avenue Public School

Upcoming Dates

February 18th - PA Day, Students do not attend school

February 21st - Family Day, school is closed

March 1st - School Photos (individual photos only)

March 9th 6pm to 9pm - Emotion Coaching Workshop hosted by Hopewell School Council

March 14th - March 18th (inclusive) - March Break, school is closed

March 22nd, 7pm - School Council Meeting, Virtual Link TBA

April 4th - Grade 8 Leaving Photos

April 15th - Good Friday, school is closed

April 18th - Easter Monday, school is closed

April 26th - Photo Retake Day (Individual photos and leaving photos)

June 3rd - PA Day, Students do not attend school

June 30th - Last day of school for students

Register for Ottawa-Carleton Virtual Learning by February 22, 2022

We are planning for September 2022 and will offer both in-person and remote learning. We expect an increasing number of students to return to in-person learning in September. We also know that for some families, OCV has been and will continue to be an important choice for their learning needs. Please note, Middle French Immersion, Alternative, ESL/ELD programs, International Baccalaureate (IB), Arts, and Specialized Program Classes are not available through an OCV campus.

If you would like your child to attend an OCV school for the 2022-2023 school year, here is the process for registration:

- Register Complete the <u>Registration Form</u> by February 22, 2022.
- Confirm Families who have registered by February 22nd will receive an email in early March asking for Confirmation of Registration by March 10, 2022.

We continue to ask that families register with the understanding that this is a commitment for the full school year. We recognize that families' needs can change and after the application period we will consider requests for OCV on a case-by-case basis, but we will not be able to guarantee space. If you are planning for in-person learning, no action is required.

Learn more about OCV and registration on our website.

Pink Shirt Day



Hopewell students will be participating in Pink Shirt Day, next Wednesday, February 23rd, 2022. Pink Shirt Day was started when David Shepherd, Travis Price and their teenage friends organized a high-school protest to wear pink in sympathy with a Grade 9 boy who was being bullied [for wearing a pink shirt]...[They] took a stand against bullying when they protested against the harassment of a new Grade 9 student by distributing pink T-shirts to all the boys in their school.

Bullying is a form of aggression where there is a power imbalance; the person doing the bullying has power over the person being victimized. In addition to any physical trauma incurred, bullying can result in serious emotional problems, including anxiety, low self-esteem, or depression.

With one in five students affected by bullying, chances are that you or someone you know is being impacted. On Wednesday, students and staff will be encouraged to wear pink, and help take a stand against any and all bullies in our school and community.

A Message From School Council

Hello Hopewell Families!

Are emotions running high in your home? Ours too.

That's why school council is sponsoring a *free* Emotion Coaching workshop for parents and

caregivers of students at Hopewell and surrounding schools on Wednesday, March 9th from 6pm to 9pm.

It's an interactive virtual workshop run by Ottawa psychologists Dr. Katherine Henderson and Dr. Shari Mayman. You will learn practical skills to help you connect with your child and foster their resilience. School council members who have attended this course in the past say it changed their parenting for the better.

You can find more details on this poster or click here to <u>register</u> on Eventbrite.

For questions about this workshop or any other school council business, we can be reached at sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca.

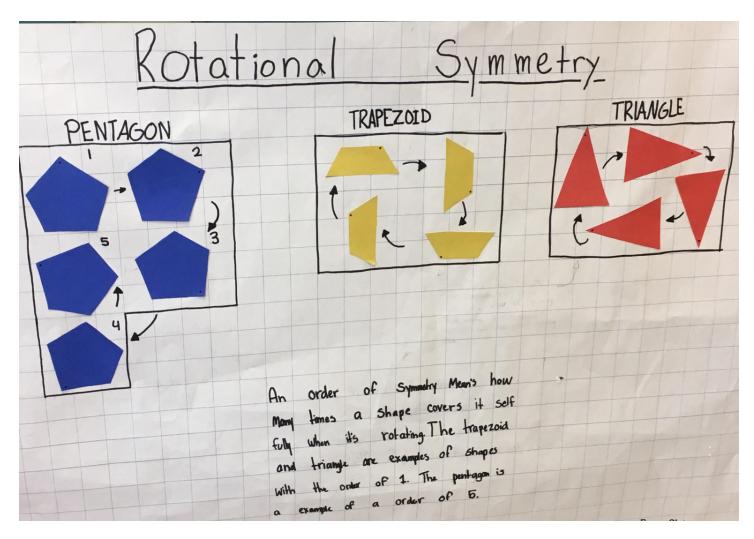
Happy Family Day Weekend!

Alex & Petra

Co-Chairs

In the Hallways of Hopewell

In EF6A this week, students were creating posters either about 3D nets and shapes or about rotational symmetry. (Photos below)



Manie Musicale!

Manie Musicale, a song competition in the style of 'March Madness,' is making its way to several classes at Hopewell this March! During this bracket-style competition, classes will listen to a plethora of wonderful French songs released in 2021 by artists from all over the world, including Soprano, Angèle, Nassi, Corneille and Laurence Nerbonne. Students will learn about artists who sing in French, predict which song will be the vainqueur (winner), and vote on their favourites in March. Roughly 2400 schools from across the world will be participating! Our atrium has a display where we will update the winners that are voted on. This is an activity that is sure to get students talking and debating their favourite French song! Un gros merci to students in Mme Krieg's classes for making the beautiful title. On y va!

