

## Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – January 28th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families:

Happy Friday! We had another busy week of learning this week. On Wednesday we acknowledged Bell Let's Talk Day. Many classes engaged in discussions about mental health in an effort to raise awareness and end the stigma. Now more than ever it is essential that we engage in these conversations. Our intermediate classes came together for an interactive virtual session and were able to share and learn together. The support of friends, family and community was identified as a huge positive piece to help mental health. Our Hopewell school community continues to be dedicated to promoting wellness. Please count us among your support for your family.

Please continue to complete the [COVID Screening](#) 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 [symptoms and isolation requirements](#) is a valuable resource as well.

Today district messaging confirmed a process for voluntary COVID-19 Disclosure. The communication is here: The OCDSB has created a Voluntary COVID-19 Disclosure Form and Dashboard to help inform families of COVID-19 cases in schools. Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 can fill out a voluntary disclosure form, which will be matched to our internal records and then posted anonymously on the dashboard. To learn more about how this tool works, submit a case, or read frequently asked questions, please visit [the OCDSB website](#). Use [this link to submit a form](#) and [this link to view the dashboard](#).

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is ongoing. Next week the transfer application period begins. For more information about the transfer application process, please visit the [OCDSB Website](#). Transfer application dates as well as other key dates are noted below. For our grade eight families we have included information about registration for high school.

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 8th, 7pm - School Council Meeting - Virtual Link:  
<https://meet.google.com/izc-ikgz-vuv?hs=224>

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

February 16th - Term One Communications of Learning / Report Cards accessible electronically

February 21st - Family Day, school is closed

March 14th - March 18th (inclusive) - March Break, school is closed  
April 15th - Good Friday, school is closed  
April 18th - Easter Monday, school is closed  
June 3rd - PA Day, Students do not attend school  
June 30th - Last day of school for students

**Registration and Transfer Information for 2022-2023**

The following timelines will apply for the 2022-2023 school year. This includes kick-off to the 2022-2023 registration period, the student transfer period for the elementary and secondary panels, and the Middle French Immersion program registration period.

The information can also be found on the Board’s website: [www.ocdsb.ca](http://www.ocdsb.ca).

Elementary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 31 to Friday, February 11, 2022
Secondary Student Transfer Application Period	Monday, January 31 to Friday, February 11, 2022
Middle French Immersion Registration Period	Monday, February 7 to Friday, February 11, 2022

**Looking To Give Your Children’s Used Books New Life?**



In an effort to keep our collection current and well stocked, the Hopewell library would welcome any gently used books. English books, French books, fiction, non-fiction, graphic novels, and recent age-appropriate magazines would all be welcome.

So, please send in any gently used books with your child. Our staff will ensure that all books get into the hands of our Librarian, Christine Power. Please contact Mrs. Power directly if you have any questions. She can be reached at [christine.power@ocdsb.ca](mailto:christine.power@ocdsb.ca). Thank you for supporting our library!

**Secondary School Registration and Course Selection**

Course selection for our grade 8 students moving to secondary school will begin the week of February 14th. A representative from Glebe will be giving a presentation to students during the first week of February which will provide the information needed for families to make an informed choice. Students will have time in class to look over selection options and then connect as a family before submitting their selection.

Glebe Collegiate is also holding a virtual information night for families and details are below.

All high school information can also be found on [Hopewell’s Intermediate Website](#). If there are any questions regarding this process, please feel free to reach out to Hopewell Student Success Teacher, Jennifer Compagnon [jennifer.compagnon@ocdsb.ca](mailto:jennifer.compagnon@ocdsb.ca)

**Glebe CI’s Virtual Welcome to High School Evening: Tuesday February 8th, 7:00pm**

Is your child preparing to begin high school in September 2022? We’re here to help your child explore options, discover pathways and develop the skills and characteristics needed to be successful in high school and in life.

Glebe Collegiate will be holding a virtual parent information session, where you can learn about the exciting pathways available for your child's future, interact with staff at our school, and ask questions.

Please click the link below to join us live on **Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 7:00 pm :**  
[2022 Glebe CI Virtual Information Night](#)

Families can submit questions before/during the presentations at this [questionnaire link](#). If you would like to be contacted directly, please include your contact information (eg. email address or phone number). We will do our best to answer your questions during the information night. You may also contact the school directly with questions (613- 239-2424). The evening slide show will also be posted on our school website.

More information can be found at [glebe.ocdsb.ca](http://glebe.ocdsb.ca)