

Hopewell Avenue Public School Message – March 11th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families:

Today we wished all of our students a Happy March Break as we move into a week of holiday time. It is hard to believe that two years ago we entered into a March Break with nervousness and uncertainty as we worked to understand the implications of the emergence of COVID. Two years later we don't think any of us would have predicted the journey we have experienced. As the journey continues to unfold, we know our community will navigate it together. The province is removing many of the emergency measures and mandatory requirements by the end of April and this is bringing about some changes in school guidelines. Please continue to review and refer to district messaging for updates about changes to COVID safety guidelines in schools. As this information has just been released it will take us some time to update many of our school based procedures and routines. After the break we will look to adjust routines like student entry and exit procedures and nutrition break/recess routines. Communicating these changes to students and practicing them as a school community will be an important part of this process. We share updates with families as soon as possible.

If your child has an Individual Education Plan, you should have received an email yesterday that will allow you to access this document. If you have any questions or difficulty accessing your child's IEP, please contact:

Grade K-3 - Jennifer Thiessen - jennifer.thiessen@ocdsb.ca

Grade 4-8 - Amber Sorsenson - amber.sorenson@ocdsb.ca

Photo proofs are in! Today these were sent home, along with ordering information. Please check backpacks. Photo re-take day is April 26th.

We have had some inquiries from families who are planning to travel outside the country. We are unable to provide specific guidance for families considering international travel. Please [visit the government of Canada's website](#) for the new guidelines for travelers returning to Canada from an international destination. If your child will be absent for an extended holiday, please report their absence on our attendance line (613-239-2348, press 1).

Below we have included some highlights of the week, including some details about International Women's Day that was acknowledged on Tuesday, a special carnival de sciences in EF23A and an emerging mural on our 3rd floor!

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

Thank you, as always, for your partnership. We wish you and your families a wonderful March Break. Stay safe and take good care.

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

Upcoming Dates

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

International Women's Day



Tuesday, March 8th was International Women's Day. International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality, encouraging a world that is diverse, equitable, and inclusive. We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge three wonderful women that make a great impact on the school on a daily basis, and they are Ana Henriquez, Giuliana Falcucci and Yanka Petrova. These three women work tirelessly on the front lines of our school to support our students, staff and parents. We value and celebrate the hardwork and dedication they show each and every day. They are the glue that holds us together!



International Women's Day was also acknowledged in many of our classes. Students discussed and celebrated different women in their lives and around the world that have made a difference to them. Some of the highlights are below.

Aimee Craft is an award winning teacher and researcher.

She is past chair of the Aboriginal law section of the Canadian bar association and a current member of the speaker bureau of the treaty relations commission of Manitoba.

transformative memory in colonial contexts and relating to the reclamation of indigenous birthrights practices as expressions of territorial sovereignty.

The founding Director of research at the national centre for truth and reconciliation. She produced a public interest law and in 2016 over a decade of the top 25 most influential lawyers in Canada.

She also received the President's award.

#Treaty won't work. Critically acclaimed children's book explaining treaty philosophy and relationships.

Internationally as a leader in the area of indigenous laws, treaties and water. She holds a university research chair in indigenous ways of knowing and governance in relationship with land and water.

Dr. Aimee Craft

Breathing life into the Stone Tent treaty, award winning book.

Two Eyes Seeing means to learn with one eye from indigenous ways of knowing and with the other eye from western.

Education

*Mary Jane McCallum attended Guy Hill Residential school where she is an advocate for justice and has provided emotional care to communities across Manitoba.

*residential school survivor

*Senator - Dec 2, 2017

*Associate professor at University of Manitoba

Mary Jane Impact

*Mary Jane received a dental nursing diploma of the Dr. Society.

*Dr. McCallum worked in high level community nursing roles, including a diabetes program and child mental health.

*She also worked on an interchorage.

*nursing degree

*promotes dental health

*provides dental to Indigenous communities

Mary Jane McCallum

*She is the first indigenous female senator

*Activist, Author and Tech Entrepreneur.

*She Founded TechGirl Canada.

*She co Founded TechReset Canada. (2012)

*She tackles hard and uncomfortable topics with clarity and empathy.

*She is a proponent of immigrant talent in STEM.

Fun Facts

*She was featured in Canada's 150 Women's history.

*She is honoured to serve on the board of Women's shelters Canada.

Saadia Muzaffar

*deals with ethical and safety issues.

*She founded TechGirls Canada.

Fun Facts

*helped raise 4 million dollars

*honoured as one of Canada's top 150 black women

*Named the Honourable young entrepreneur

*honoured as one of 100 black women

What she does?

*Tech Sparks educated over 1500 youth in under 2 years

*helps raise over 13 million dollars in 2 years

Contribution

*Tech Sparks and assisted a school for 50% and more for tech-spark and is on track to educate 650 youth and 300 teachers.

Tamar Huggins

Education

*Launched Sparks plug a data-driven personalized learning platform that customizes educational content.

*The \$10 million dollar startup plug a platform used a proprietary algorithm and predictive analytics to identify student learning patterns.

Simone Piles

Simone Piles is an African American woman. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Meryl Streep

Meryl Streep is an American actress. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Marie Curie

Marie Curie is a Polish physicist and chemist. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Greta Thunberg

Greta Thunberg is a Swedish climate activist. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Amelia Earhart

Amelia Earhart is an American aviator. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Petty White

Petty White is an American actress. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Maya Angelou

Maya Angelou is an American poet and author. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Oprah Winfrey

Oprah Winfrey is an American actress and television host. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Malala Yousafzai

Malala Yousafzai is a Pakistani activist for female education. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Michelle Obama

Michelle Obama is an American politician and author. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Helen Keller

Helen Keller is an American author and activist. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Angela Davis

Angela Davis is an American philosopher and activist. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Beyonce Knowles

Beyonce Knowles is an American singer and actress. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Anne Frank

Anne Frank is a Dutch Jewish girl who wrote a diary. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Ruby Bridges

Ruby Bridges is an African American girl who was the first to integrate a public school in the South. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Yoko Ono

Yoko Ono is a Japanese singer and activist. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Kamala Harris

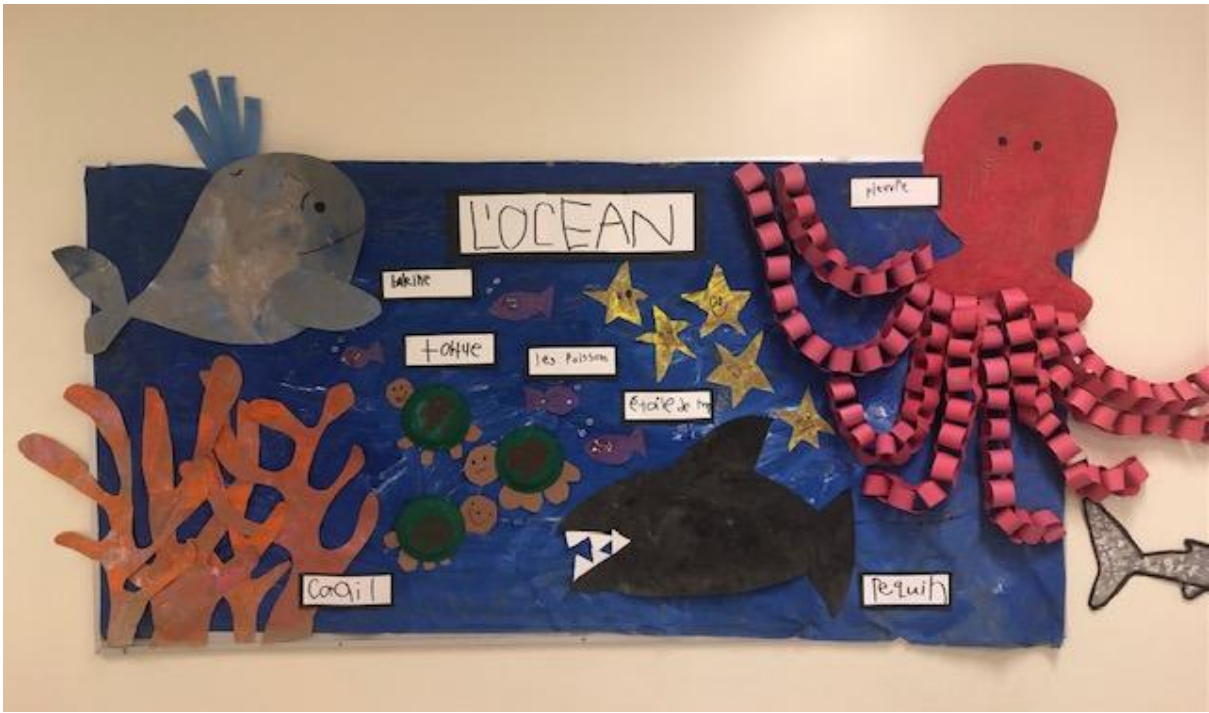
Kamala Harris is an American politician and attorney. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

Jane Goodall

Jane Goodall is a British primatologist and anthropologist. She is a young person who is a member of the African American community.

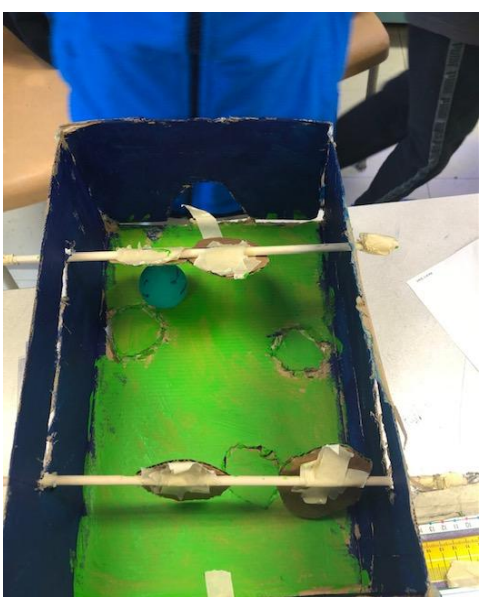
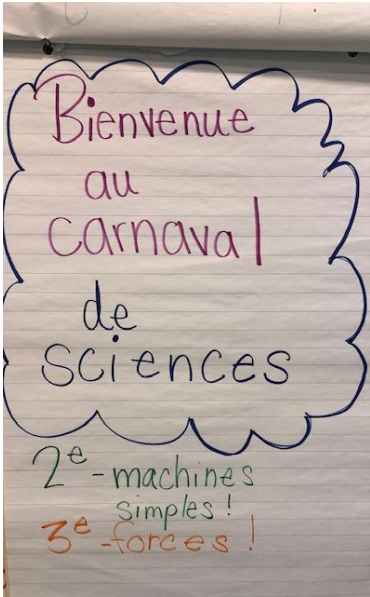
Kindergarten Inquiries

Our kindergarten classes are busy places! Our Elephant class has developed an interest in learning all about the ocean! As part of this inquiry, the students created an ocean bulletin board for all to see. Ocean vocabulary and lots of painting brought this display together!



Carnaval De Sciences

EF23A developed science projects that were games featuring simple machines and forces, EF23A. They celebrated their accomplishment with a carnaval de sciences. It was exciting to see the culmination of all of their work and play some fun games all at the same time! Bravo EF23A!



An Emerging Mural On Our Third Floor

Intermediate students are hard at work creating a special mural on our third floor. Everyone is watching with interest as the work unfolds! Stay tuned for mural updates!

