Hopewell Avenue Public School Message - September 30th, 2022



Dear Hopewell Families,

Today we acknowledged the National Day For Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day. As shared through district messaging, 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.

This week at Hopewell there were many activities taking place across all grades. Some primary students read books about the experiences of survivors of residential school such as Stolen Words / Les mots volés par Melanie Florence and Je ne suis pas un numéro par Jenny Kay Dupuis et Kathy Kacer. The art of Métis visual artist, Christi Belcourt, was explored in some junior classes. A grade one literacy project took place based on the book "Parfois je suis un Renard" by Danielle Daniel (Sometimes I am a Fox), which describes totem animals, which are a large part of the Anishinaabe peoples' tradition. All of our grade one students participated in a rock painting project as well. Our intermediate students designed two pins/buttons, one for themselves and one to gift to someone else. These Buttons were worn today. Each student's button has different explanations connecting to different aspects of indiginous representation and culture. As a whole school our day began with an opening and land acknowledgment with Monique Manatch, Traditional Knowledge Keeper, Algonquins of Barriere Lake. We also watched a <u>closing video</u> to end our day. We have included some photos at the end of this message.

With cold and rainy days upon us we would remind families to include an extra pair of socks in backpacks. Please also ensure your child has a pair of indoor shoes to wear inside the school.

Below you will find many information items and upcoming events/opportunities. Our Hopewell community will once again have a chance to show their heart next Thursday during our Food Drive Blitz in support of the Centretown Emergency Food Centre.

Our fabulous School Council is hard at work and has lots of news to share. During September's meeting a new executive and members include:

Petra Heitkamp - Chair Nicola Calder - Treasurer Claire Kerry - Secretary

Thank you, as always, for your partnership.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend! Bonne fin de semaine! For those families acknowledging Yom Kippur next week, may you have an easy fast.

Sincerely,

Martina Sherwood & Sandy Miller Principal & Vice-Principal

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UPCOMING DATES

Friday, October 7th - PA Day, no school for students
Monday, October 10th - Thanksgiving, school is closed
Tuesday, October 11th, 7pm - School Council Meeting
Friday, October 14th - School photo day
Friday, November 4th - PA Day, no school for students
Tuesday, November 8th, 7pm - School Council Meeting
Thursday, November 17th - Progress Reports (Grades 1-8)/Initial Observations (Kindergarten) released.

Friday, November 25th - PA Day (interview day), no school for students Tuesday, December 13th, 7pm - School Council Meeting December 26th, 2022 - January 6th, 2023 - Winter Break, school is closed

SCHOOL NEWS

Food Drive



We would like to invite families to participate in our Food Drive Blitz next **Thursday, October 6th**. We are collecting to support the Centretown Food Bank as their supplies are seriously low and they are working to provide for a growing number of families and individuals in our community. Drop off locations will be available outside in each yard for Kindergarten, Primary, and Junior families to bring their donations. Intermediates will be asked to drop donations inside the atrium when they enter the school.

Common non-perishables and toiletries where the greatest needs are, such as peanut butter, canned tuna, salmon, meat and stews, canned vegetables, canned soups, canned beans, including baked beans, kidney beans, black beans, cereals, dry pasta and pasta sauce, Kraft dinner, toothpaste and toothbrushes and toilet paper.

The Centretown Food Bank appreciates any contributions families can make at this time.

Terry Fox Update

Thanks to the generosity of the Hopewell community, our school has raised \$4775.00 for the Terry Fox Foundation, well surpassing our goal of \$3500.00. Many thanks to the parent volunteers who accompanied our Junior and Intermediate classes to Brewer Park on September 23rd. We couldn't have done it without you.



Extra Curricular @ Hopewell



Clubs and sports have started up once again and there is something for everyone. As the year progresses, there will be a variety of activities offered. For now, here is an overview of what's currently happening at Hopewell:

Coming Soon:

- Primary Art Club with Ms. Upton
- o Junior Leadership: Lunch Monitors in Primary classes

Junior Sports:

- o Cross Country Practices Mondays and Wednesdays @ 8:10 Brewer
- o Girls' Soccer Practices Tuesdays and Thursdays @ 8:00 Gym
- o Boys' Soccer Practices Tuesdays and Thursdays @ 8:00 Turf Yard

• Intermediate Activities:

- Dungeons & Dragons Mondays and Thursdays
- o Study Hall Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays
- Open Art Studio Tuesdays
- Maker Space Fridays
- Prism Club Thursdays
- Musical Mondays and Wednesdays
- X-Country Practice 8:10AM Brewer Park Mondays and Wednesdays
- Football Friday mornings in the Turf Yard
- Boys' Soccer Tuesday mornings on the Turf Yard

See our <u>Intermediate Page</u> for the updated calendar of events and news about Intermediate life at Hopewell.

Milk Program - Last Call!



The Hopewell milk program will be running again this school year. Students will have a choice of ordering 2% white milk or chocolate milk. Milk will be delivered during the first nutrition break, for all students whose parent/guardian has placed an order.

Orders and payment will be collected twice this school year. The cost of the milk will be 80 cents each and this cost will be multiplied by the number of school days in each term as per the schedule below.

The first term milk delivery will begin on **Tuesday, October 11th** and end on **Friday, February 3rd, 2023.**

The cost will be 71 days at 80 cents = \$56.80

A second order form will go home in January 2023 for the second term (February 6 - June 9, 2023)

Payments and orders may be made through SchoolCash Online. Orders will be accepted up to and including **Monday**, **October 3rd**, **2022**.

Hopewell Spirit Wear Coming Soon

Show off your #PegasusPride with HAPS Clothing Orders. More information coming next week.

A Message From Our Hopewell Avenue Public School Council Hello everyone,

Happy weekend to everyone! Please find some of the upcoming events and information on behalf of the School Council. We hope you will be able to help us spread the word(s) within the community.

1) Monday 3 October - OCDSB Trustee Candidates, online forum REGISTER HERE - An online Forum with the OCDSB Trustee candidates moderated by Emilie Taman. Let us hear your questions ahead of Monday's event: sc-hopewellaveps@ocdsb.ca

Learn more about Education policies and what the Trustee candidates stand for! Get ready for the municipal elections 2022!



2) PIZZA Fridays at Hopewell

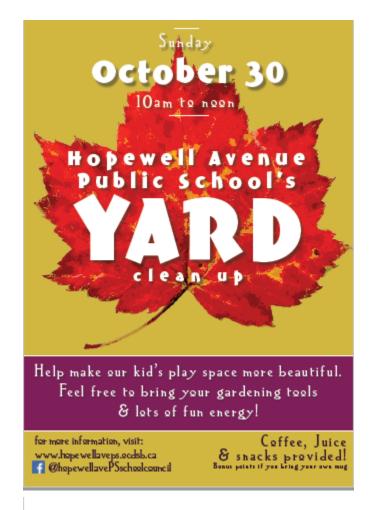
Orders need to be in before Wednesday 5 October 2022 for the period from Oct 14th - Jan 27 2023. Please see the notices from School Cash online. If people miss this deadline, next pizza orders will be in January 2023... Please help spread the word, especially to those not familiar with pizza days. You might have seen that there is an option to donate a slice of pizza! Thank you to everyone considering supporting.



3) Sunday 30 October, Yard Clean-up and Ski-sale

The Yard Fall clean-up is a great morning out on the school yard, and even better when you can shop for Winter-fun gear. So excited that after a few pandemic years we can bring the Ski-Sale back to Hopewell.

Read details and help spread the information and posters. Please see details on the posters!





Look out for more information from School Council on our <u>FaceBook page</u> and help get the message out in your social media networks.

Thanks everyone! Have a great weekend and don't hesitate to reach out with questions and ideas.

Petra Heitkamp Chair, Hopewell Ave Ps School Council





