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OAKLEY PARK COMMUNITY WEEKLY UPDATE Week of April 3rd 2018

Wow! Wendy's is donating \$400 back to Oakley Park from all sales this past Wednesday. Thank you for your support!

Today all of our students joined in mural painting. Our new Oakley Park mural is a gorgeous tree with every student's handprint on it. Thank you to Mme. Harrington and our student helpers for making this come together for our students at Oakley. Our tree mural idea came from the book "Beautiful Hands" and was completed through funds from a Ministry of Education Speak Up Grant submitted by past Principal Mr. Dashnay. Our beautiful hands tree reminds us at Oakley Park of all the things we can do together with our beautiful hands, hearts and minds.

On Tuesday, we will be recognizing World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD). WAAD originated in 2008 as a result of a resolution passed by the United Nations (UN) to bring awareness and reduce the negative stigma associated with autism and highlights the incredible work that has already been done and still needs to be done to ensure people living with autism are provided with opportunities to lead successful and meaningful lives. Students at Oakley Park are encouraged to wear blue to show their support.

Mark your calendars for April 24th! April 24th is our Family Math and Science night. Plan to come to Oakley from 5:30-7:00pm for learning (and fun of course!) alongside your child with robots, experiments and scientists from Scientists in School. We will have a book fair as well!

The week ahead:

Monday April 2nd Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL
Tuesday April 3rd – DAY FOUR Wear blue – World Autism Awareness Day NO French Immersion After School literacy program; School Council 6pm – all are welcome School bus evacuation practice
Wednesday April 4th – DAY FIVE Walking Wednesday
Thursday April 5th – DAY ONE Sub day
Friday April 6th – DAY TWO Grade 2 and 3 French Immersion to Gregg LeRock Pizza day Regional science fair

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

April 11th: International Day of Pink; Pink door decorating
April 12th: Pita day & Grade 3 swimming lessons
April 13th: Traveling Sparky from Barrie Fire Department for Grade 1
April 14th: Grade 7/8 class car wash
April 18th: Geneva Park at Oakley for Grade 4s
April 19th: Hotdog day & Grade 3 swimming lessons
April 20th: Geneva Park at Oakley for Grade 4s; Barrie spring clean up day
April 24th: Book fair; Math and Science Night 5:30pm-7pm; Grade 4s to Geneva Park
April 25th: Grade 5-8 to Barrie North Collegiate play
April 26th: Integrity and Optimism Character Ed Assembly; International Film festival for Intermediate students; Pasta Day; Grade 3 swimming lessons & twin day
April 27th: PD Day: NO SCHOOL for students
April 30th: International Film festival for Intermediate students

School Updates:

School bus evacuation training takes place April 3

The Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC), in partnership with school bus operators, is offering school bus evacuation training to all home-to-school transported students the week of April 3 to 6. During this week, school bus drivers will educate students on how to evacuate a school bus safely in an emergency. The SCSTC would like to remind all drivers to be extra cautious near school buses and in school bus loading and unloading zones. For more information or if you have questions, visit main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/.

Now accepting Kindergarten registrations

Do you or someone you know have a child who was born in 2014? If so, it's time to register them for Kindergarten! Elementary schools are now registering children for Kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year. Required registration documents include birthdate documentation, proof of address and immunization records. Visit www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten for more information.

SCDSB Updates:

Register now for summer child care

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) supports your child care needs by offering full day child care programs in select schools across Simcoe County (including Oakley Park). Twenty schools offer child care programs for children from Junior Kindergarten age to 12 years of age. Registration in advance is required. Please contact the child care operator directly to register. More information can be found on our website at www.scdsb.on.ca – click on 'Schools' then 'Before & After School Care.'

Trauma & Loss: Creating School Communities of Well-being on April 14 in Barrie

Parents and/or community members are invited to attend *Trauma & Loss: Creating School Communities of Well-being* on Sat. April 14 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Bear Creek Secondary School, located at 110 Red Oak Dr. in Barrie. This conference is being funded through a Regional PRO grant from the Ontario Ministry of Education and is being presented by the Adoption Council of Ontario. This event is free to attend and lunch is provided. Limited child

care is available for children aged three to 12 years. Register at www.adoption.on.ca/events. Questions? Contact pact@adoptontario.ca.

Parents invited to information sessions about special education

The SCDSB is hosting a series of information sessions for parents/guardians to learn about special education in the SCDSB, and how to support students with special education needs.

April 16

Understanding Alternative/Non-Academic IEP Goals

All sessions take place from 6 to 7 p.m. at the SCDSB Education Centre, located at 1170 Highway 26 in Midhurst. No registration required.

Math Ideas for families:

Here are a couple new resources for parents to help get involved in their children's math journey.

www.parentengagementmatters.com

Inspiring Your Child to Learn and Love Math - Parent Engagement

www.parentengagementmatters.com

Inspiring Your Child to Learn and Love Math is a tool kit for parents. It provides modules with simple, but effective methods and materials for parents. It shows you how to get involved in your children's learning, and offers guidance for working with students of different ages.

Math Storytime

www.mathstorytime.ca (this is an app that has stories that support math concepts)



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