

OAKLEY PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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OAKLEY PARK COMMUNITY WEEKLY UPDATE Week of April 9th 2018

Next week we will have a new addition to Oakley Park. Jasmine (Ms. Telford's dog) has completed all of her training and passed her exam to be a certified canine ambassador. Jasmine is a poodle, and will be coming to "work" for the first time on Wednesday to meet our students. Jasmine's role at Oakley Park is to promote student well-being. Jasmine will work out of the library, and will be available to students who might need a little moment of calm in the day to help get back on track. Jasmine will have a green cape that she wears when she is working at school so that she is easily recognizable as a certified canine ambassador.

It is hard to think about having a car wash with weather like this, but Spring is coming (back!) Mark your calendars for a good car cleaning at our annual Grade 7/8 car wash Saturday April 14th. Come to our car wash at Oakley Park between 10am-2pm, and have our students make your car look brand new! All monies raised go to support the Grade 7/8 trip to Brock University.

The week ahead:

Monday April 9th – DAY THREE
Tuesday April 10th – DAY FOUR
Wednesday April 11th – DAY FIVE International Day of Pink – today we celebrate diversity and raise awareness to stop homophobia, transphobia and all forms of bullying Walking Wednesday
Thursday April 12th – DAY ONE Pita day Grade 3 swimming lessons
Friday April 13th – DAY TWO Pizza day Traveling Sparky from the Barrie Fire Department for Grade 1

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

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:

Remember to pack a change of clothing

Mud season is here, and we ask that every student have a change of clothing in their backpack. We do not call home for muddy pants. Please ensure that your child is dressed to play outside daily and is ready for the conditions (rain boots, raincoat, warm clothing). Regardless of age, accidents can and do happen, so please pack a change of clothing.

Please turn off your car while you wait

A reminder to please turn your engine off when dropping off or picking up your child from school. Idling cars release exhaust that is harmful to the environment, our health and the health of our students. It's good to get into the habit of turning your car off any time you're stopped and in park for more than 60 seconds. Thank you for doing your part to keep our kids and our environment healthy! For more information to keep you and your family healthy, visit www.simcoemuskokahealth.org or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.
Information provided by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

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.



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