

OAKLEY PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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OAKLEY PARK COMMUNITY WEEKLY UPDATE Week of February 12th 2018

Our students have been very busy this week! From learning to snowboard in the gym with the Riglet snowboard crew, to the school speech competition and our 100th day of school – everyone had a tremendous week! Next week we will be celebrating Chinese New Year with classroom learning and a parade.

Congratulations to our Junior Debate Team on their win today at the Junior Debate Competition. Our team won the “surprise” debate about fidget toys in school – well done Raiders!

Our school council continues to work tirelessly to promote school spirit and bring opportunities to Oakley Park students. Coming up this month is “Bring Your Own Banana.” School council will turn each student’s banana and a \$2 donation into a yummy banana split. Also coming up is movie night – stay tuned for the announcement once we have a final tally of the student vote for their movie choice. Thank you to our school council and all of our volunteers for your hard work to make great things happen at Oakley Park!

The week ahead:

Monday Feb 12th – DAY ONE
Tuesday Feb 13th – DAY TWO Area public speaking competition Girls volleyball 3:30pm Oakley Park vs. Terry Fox
Wednesday Feb 14th – DAY THREE Pink, white and red day
Thursday Feb 15th – DAY FOUR Pasta day
Friday Feb 16th – DAY FIVE Pizza day Report Cards go home

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

February 19th: Family Day – NO SCHOOL
February 21st: BYOB (Bring Your Own Banana)– Ice cream party!
February 22nd: Zones Girls Volleyball tournament & hot dog day
February 26th: School science fair
February 28th: Pink shirt day & movie night

School Updates:

Kindergarten Registration

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.

Reminder about ice safety

During the winter months temperature swings can cause melting and freezing on the school field. Students are not allowed to slide on the ice for safety reasons. At school, students are aware of the school rule, and reminded as needed. Please remind your children to stay off the ice, and use designated walkways when coming to school and leaving at the end of the day.

Lost and Found

Please check the school lost and found for our collection of student items!

SCDSB Updates:

Summer School

Summer School registration for Grade 8s going into Grade 9 is available now. If you are interested in your Grade 8 student taking a credit course prior to starting high school in September, check your child's backpack for more information or go to: <http://www.thelearningcentres.com/high-school-student/summer-school>

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.

Feb. 19

Transition Planning Grade 8 to 9

March 19

Accessing Supports in the Community

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.

Community Updates:

National Engineering Month competition takes place March 3

Students in Grades 5 to 8 are invited to submit a model bridge, catapult or grabber for the National Engineering Month (NEM) event. Models will be tested for design, strength, quality of construction and functionality. Students of any age are invited to attend to check out 3D printers and robots, Raspberry Pi computer coding demos, crystal radio construction and CNC machine coding. The event takes place on March 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Eastview Secondary School (421 Grove St. E. in Barrie). Lunch will be provided. This event is jointly organized by the Georgian Bay Chapter of OACETT and Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter of PEO, under the banner of NEM Ontario. For more information and to register for this free event, visit <https://nemsimcoe.wixsite.com/nemsimcoe>.

Walking to school is great for students

Walking to school is a great way for your child to get the 60 minutes of daily physical activity that's needed for good mental and physical health. It also builds responsibility and independence, and helps them feel more connected to the community. More walkers means less traffic around our school, which helps keep students safe and improve outdoor air quality. Even one day a week of walking to school can make a big difference! To find out more about how to support active and safe routes to school through School Travel Planning, visit www.saferoutestoschool.ca/school-travel-planning.

Information provided by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

Update your child's immunization record

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit is required to keep up-to-date immunization records for all students who attend elementary or secondary school in the County of Simcoe and the District of Muskoka. Parents are responsible for reporting immunizations to the health unit each time their child receives a vaccine from their health care provider. The immunizations that the health unit requires records for include: diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps, rubella, meningococcal, pertussis and varicella (chickenpox) for those born in 2010 or later. It's easy to update your child's immunization status. Go to www.smdhu.org/immsonline to update your child's record or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 (toll free).

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