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OAKLEY PARK COMMUNITY WEEKLY UPDATE **Week of September 10th 2018**

Welcome to 2018-2019 for our new and returning families at Oakley Park! My name is Heidi Cameron Armstrong and I the school Principal at Oakley Park. Today, all of our students participated in our first assembly of the school year and learned two of our Oakley Park dances. The energy from our students and staff was terrific! Students were introduced to all the staff at Oakley and heard the following Principal's message today:

- 1) Every staff member at Oakley cares!
- 2) Try your best each and every day at school!
- 3) Get involved - in classroom learning and by joining clubs and teams!

Each week you will receive an email update on Friday with information about the week and month ahead. If you wish to have an email address added or changed, please let us know in the office. It is a school goal to keep our Oakley families well informed of what is going on to ensure that our staff and families form the best partnership possible for our students.

At the beginning of every year, each family receives a package with important information for their child, including a student verification form and consents. Please return this envelope to the school as soon as possible to ensure we have the correct information on file for your child.

Our school website is an excellent resource for information about Oakley Park. On it, you will find useful information about our school, our classes, SchoolCashOnline and our school board. Did you know that you can subscribe to our website in order to receive notifications when new information is posted? <http://oak.scdsb.on.ca/> Follow us on Twitter: @oakleybarrie

The week ahead:

Monday September 10th – DAY FIVE
Tuesday September 11th – DAY ONE
Wednesday September 12th – DAY TWO
Thursday September 13th – DAY THREE
Friday September 14th House colours assembly for all Oakley Park students

Some Upcoming Dates to Remember:

September 25th: Turnaround Day

September 27th: Terry Fox Run

October 2nd: First school council meeting - 6pm

October 3rd: Oakley Park Open House - Meet the Teacher Night

School Updates:

Terry Fox Run

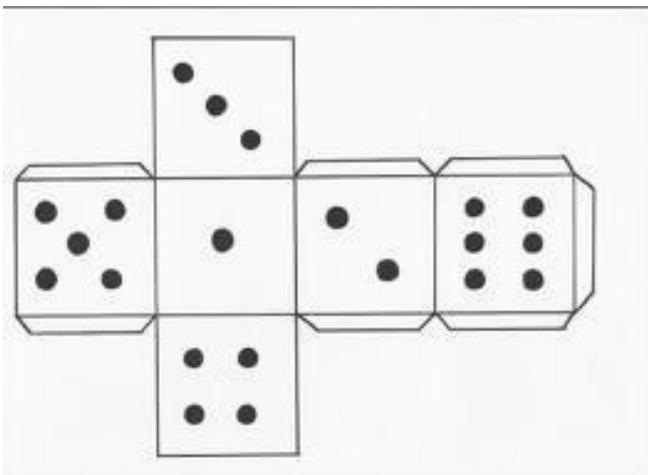
The Terry Fox Run at Oakley is coming up on September 27th. This will be the 26th year our school has participated in the run, and over those years we have raised \$29, 358.98! This year, if we raise our goal of \$642, we will have raised thirty thousand dollars for cancer research in total! You can contribute by sending your student in with a toonie for Terry on the day of the run, by donating online at <http://www.terryfox.ca/OakleyParkPSBarrie>, by donating online through SchoolCash or by buying a Terry Fox t-shirt or flag.

Student Well-Being

My name is Rebekah Smith, I am a Child and Youth Worker at Oakley Park for this school year. Each week I will attach a game or an activity that you can play together as a family. The first activity will be "All About My School." How the game is played is you use two dice or print out the dye attached. The person whose birthday is closest to today's date goes first. When you role a number you read the question out loud to the family. You answer the question and pass the dice/ dye to the person on your right. (If you are not in school, you can answer from when you were in school.) This game will help promote communication and a relationship with your child.

All About School

- 1) One thing I like about my teacher is...
- 2) Something challenging at school is...
- 3) I love learning about...
- 4) My favourite subject in school is...
- 5) The best school day I ever had was...
- 6) My favourite part of the school day is...
- 7) A new friend I made this week is...
- 8) The best thing about back to school is...



SCDSB Updates:

New Simcoe County District School Board website launched this summer

Visit www.scdsb.on.ca to check out our brand new look! Our new website launched in July, providing users with an accessible experience that is mobile-friendly – it works well whether you're on a desktop computer, mobile phone or tablet. The new website also has improved search functionality and a special *SCDSBshines* section to highlight and celebrate the amazing accomplishments of our staff.

SCDSB Community Apps portal makes volunteering easy

We appreciate the commitment of all who volunteer at our school. This school year, we are implementing a new online Volunteer Portal. SCDSB Community Apps is a new online portal that allows you to begin the process for volunteering at a SCDSB school. The portal eliminates much of the paperwork currently associated with volunteers. Volunteer applications and approvals will occur online. The new mandate for Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) training, for volunteers, is also part of the portal. The Volunteer Portal is available for all new people requesting to volunteer at a school location:

<http://communityapps.scdsb.on.ca>. Only new volunteers or those who require an updated Criminal Background Check Vulnerable Sector Screening (CBC-VSS) are able to register on the portal at this time.

Register now for Night School

The Night School Program will operate four evenings per week starting in September. Students are required to attend classes at the Barrie Learning Centre six hours per week over two nights. Semester 1 runs from September 10, 2018 to January 10, 2019, and Semester 2 runs from February 11 to June 10, 2019. In-class sessions takes place from 6 to 9 p.m., Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. SCDSB secondary students can register through their school Guidance department. All other students can register at any of The Learning Centres: www.thelearningcentres.com.

Ideas for packing healthy school lunches

A school lunch should give children the energy and nutrients they need to be ready to learn, be more alert and perform better at school. When planning lunches keep these tips in mind:

- Include one serving from at least three of the four food groups from Canada's Food Guide.
- Rather than buying pre-made lunch kits, make your own healthy "lunch kit" with divided containers and small bite-sized cheese cubes, left over chicken chunks, veggie sticks or fruit slices.
- Get your kids to eat more veggies - send cucumber coins, zucchini sticks and pepper strips with dip.
- Fill whole wheat or multigrain wrap/pita/tortilla shells with your child's favourite foods such as hummus and grated carrot or sliced turkey with honey mustard.
- Don't have them drink their fruit - send water instead.

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.

