



Oakville School

November 2022

Hello Families and friends of Oakville School. We hope that this newsletter finds you all healthy and well

Please ensure that your child is coming to school dressed for the weather. The division policy is -27 degrees Celsius for indoor recesses—anything warmer than that and we are outside (recesses, phys.ed. classes, before school etc.) when necessary.

You may have noticed that our new basketball standards and our donor sign have been installed outside. We will get the lines painted in the spring on the new asphalt. All of us at OVS wish to thank our Parent Advisory Council, all of the donors for their generosity and our Oakville School community for supporting this outstanding achievement. Thank you also to our Operations department for the quick installation of this equipment.

Oakville School would also like to thank the Homestead Co-op for donating \$3400 to our school as part of the Fuel Good Day in September. We are so grateful—thank you!

Of course probably the biggest news lately is that Oakville has won the Winnipeg Jets Town Takeover Contest! Thank you to all of our community who supported this project and voted for OVS. Special thanks go to Mrs. Tully and Mr. Burnett for leading the charge for Oakville. The date for the town takeover is April 11. Many more details to follow!!



Attendance Matters

Did you know?

If your child is 10 minutes late every day, her or she will have lost six days of instruction by the end of the school year.

If your child misses only two days per month of school, he or she will have missed one month worth of instruction by the end of the school year.

If your child misses 15 days of school every year, they will have lost one year of instruction by the end of grade 12.

Dates to Remember

November: 4- Admin Day—no Classes

November 10—Remembrance Day
Service, 10:40am

November: 11- Remembrance Day—no
classes

November 24—Report Cards out

November: 25- Picture
retake Day

December: 21- Last day
of classes before
Christmas break

**December: 22-January
4/23:** Christmas break

January: 5- Classes resume

January 12 (5:00-7:30) Student-
Involved Conferences

January 13 (10:00-1:00) Student-
Involved Conferences

Absence Reminders!

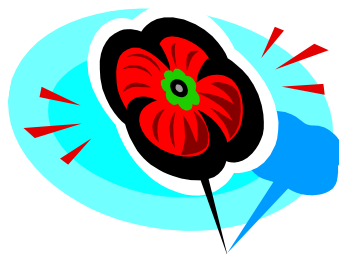
Please remember to phone in to excuse your child for being absent from school, so they aren't marked truant.

Remembrance Day

All of us at OVS would like to recognize and say thank you to all who have served and are serving Canada so we can live in freedom and peace. We are very grateful for your service to our country and will never forget. Our school Remembrance Day service will be held virtually on Wednesday November 10.

Master Corporal Christian Baun from CFB Shilo will be attending our service and sharing a special message to our students about why Remembrance Day is so important to continue to recognize and remember. He will also be sharing his experiences serving Canada at home and abroad in Latvia, as well as some of his training experiences that include Arctic Survival, parachuting, tank driving and much more. Corporal Baun has been serving Canada for the past 7 years in Shilo.

To Corporal Baun and all of the members of our military forces past and present—thank you for serving us and keeping our country strong and free!!



Travel

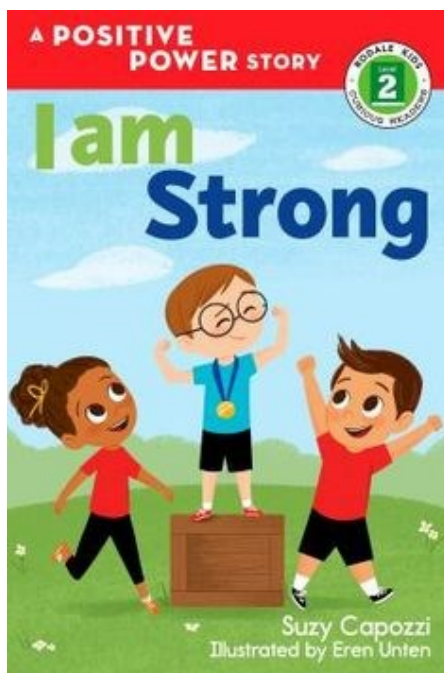
There will be a Quebec trip this spring and we will be travelling to Quebec City, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Niagara Falls. The trip is open to all students in grade 6,7&8. It is not too late to register. Contact Mr. Burnett @ 267-2733 or greg.burnett@plpsd.net.



Strong Kids

Strong Kids is another great program that is happening at OVS Dana Geisel is a Mental Health Facilitator for the Portage la Prairie School Division. She visits our grade 4, 5, & 6 classrooms to deliver the *Strong Kids Program* once every two weeks. *Strong Kids* is a mental health program that is designed to teach children skills to face challenges they may face at school, home, and in the community. Some of the topics include:

1. Our Brain and Mindfulness
2. Understanding Your Feelings
3. Understanding Other People's Feelings
4. Dealing with Anger
5. Clear thinking
6. Solving People Problems
7. Letting Go of Stress
8. Positive Living
9. Goal Setting



10 Tried-and-True Ways to Build Resilient Youth

Praise your teen often and sincerely for their efforts and the things they do well. Recognize their contributions to the household, to their school, and to the community.

Discuss things with your teen and invite their opinions—even if they are different from your own.

Find out, in a friendly way, where your teen is and who they are with.

Let your teen know, in advance, what behaviour you expect from them.

When your teen breaks family rules, make sure the consequences are consistent and fair.

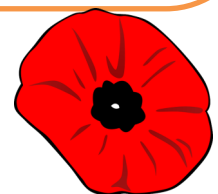
Be open to negotiating with your teen about family rules and consequences.

Encourage your teen's school work and connect with the school to build a positive relationship and solve problems.

Respect your teen's privacy and their need to express their uniqueness.

Set an example by being responsible about your own use of alcohol and other drugs, the internet, gambling and gaming, and model healthy personal relationships for your teen.

Recognize that mistakes—your teen's and your own—can be valuable opportunities to learn!



Library News

The library will be having a Scholastic Virtual Book

Fair from Nov 21 st . - Dec.2nd.

This is a fundraiser that enables us to put more

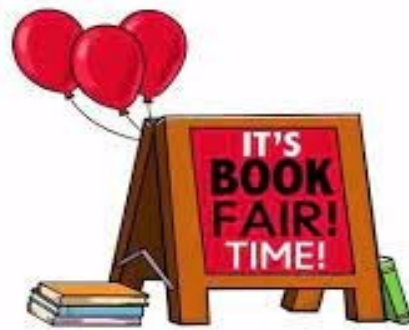
books in our library.

We appreciate all the support that you as families

give to our library.

You will receive an email in the near future about the

Virtual Book Fair.



10 Things Every Child Needs To Hear:

1. I love you.
2. I'm proud of you.
3. I'm sorry
4. I forgive you.
5. I'm listening.
6. I trust you.
7. This is your responsibility.
8. You have what it takes.
9. I'm always here for you.
10. You are the light of my life.

Keep an eye out for the upcoming Parent Council Fundraisers:

Mom's Pantry beginning of November

Bothwell Cheese end of November

These fundraisers help fund projects and supplies that support the students, staff and greater community.

The next Parent Council meeting is November 9 @ 6:30 in the library.

PBIS

- Positive
- Behaviour
- Interventions &
- Supports



Be Respectful

- Listen to adults the first time.
- Use school appropriate language.
- Use a quiet voice.

Be Responsible

- Actively participate in school activities and lessons.
- Build positive relationships.
- Walk on the right side of the hallway.
- Lock cellphone in your locker (except for lunch hour).

Be Safe

- Keep hands and feet to self.
- Hoods down/hats off.



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What is PBIS?

Positive

Behaviour


Interventions &
Supports

PBIS is an approach that schools can use to improve school safety and promote positive behavior. At its heart, PBIS calls on schools to teach kids about behavior expectations and directly teach social emotional skills just as they would teach any other subject.

CONTACTUS

(204)267-2733

Panther Paws

OAKVILLE	PANTHER PAW 	TICKETS
Name: _____ Class: _____		
CAUGHT BEING:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Respectful	Explanation: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Responsible	_____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Safe	_____	
By: _____		

Panther Paw Tickets are given to students who are demonstrating behaviours that are respectful, responsible and safe. Tickets can be given to any student from any staff for their moments of pride. We are excited to be extending the opportunity for our students to demonstrate moments of pride within our community and tickets will be provided to our local businesses.

How Can Families Help?

- Review the Panther Paws with your child, and encourage them to follow similar expectations in your home.
 - Ask your child about their school days.
 - Make sure your child is ready to put forth their best everyday.
 - Ensure a positive routine, a good night's sleep, and breakfast. Prepare lunch and snacks for school.
 - Attend school regularly and arrive on time.
 - Provide a quiet time and space for your child to do homework.
 - Maintain positive home and school communication with your teacher.
 - Practice positive phrases with your child such as thank you, excuse me, please, and I'm sorry.
 - Connect yourself with our school - whenever possible.
- You are always welcome!

Donations Accepted

We are always open for accepting donations towards our prize box from families and the community.

Examples of items could be:

- small toys
- art and craft supplies
- coupon for slushy, ice cream
- small stuffed
- purchased wrapped treats
- activity or colouring books
- skipping ropes
- frisbees
- sidewalk chalk
- bubbles
- small games (ex: playing cards)
- fun pens, pencils, erasers
- etc.