

OAK RIDGES PS

Dear Families,

At this time of year, teachers are preparing your child's first report card of the school year. In this progress report, the assessment of student learning skills is included, as well as indicators of how your child is progressing in each curriculum area. As noted in the Ministry of Education "Growing Success" document, "The progress report cards are intended to become a central part of rich discussions with students and their parents in the context of proactive interviews or conferences that will help to establish a positive tone for the remainder of the school year." Our hope is that the progress report helps students and parents gain a clear understanding of students' academic progress, learning skills and work habits, to work towards setting learning goals for the remainder of the school year.

We look forward to sharing your child's progress with you. All families have been forwarded information regarding booking interview times using the online platform called Edsby. The parent-teacher interview process on November 14 (evening) and November 15 (daytime) is an opportunity to discuss your child's strengths, needs and next steps together. Thank you for taking the time to book a time to meet with your child's teacher. If you require an additional or alternate time, we invite you to communicate with the teacher to determine a mutually workable time.

Over the course of the past month our students have been engaged in many learning activities and opportunities. Ms. Fyvie led a small group of Intermediate students at the Well Being Conference on October 28th. We are excited about the learning they engaged in around mental health and wellbeing, equity and inclusion. On November 22nd Mrs. Lane's Grade 6 class will participate in a Process Artonomy Workshop at the Quest for Learning Conference, focusing on Seven Generations. We are proud and excited for our students to have the opportunity to engage with educators from all over the world!

On November 11, our school will gather together in a solemn assembly to recognize Remembrance Day. Poppy donations are welcome and poppies are available in the office with funds raised going to support Canadian veterans and the Legion. Community members are welcome to join us in the assembly in the gym at 10:40am.

Thank you to our students, staff and families for your generous contributions over the past month with the Coat Drive. Modelling good citizenship and giving our students ways in which they can contribute to society are very valuable learning experiences. Our school Cookie Dough fundraiser closed on October 31. Cookie dough orders may be picked up on Thursday, November 14 at interview night. We thank our School Council for their organization of this initiative, and we thank *you* for your support of Oak Ridges fundraising!

Our continued appreciation for your support of and your participation in your child's learning!

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Daily Timetable

8:27	ENTRY BELL
8:30 - 9:30	Period 1
9:30 - 10:10	Period 2
10:10 - 10:40	RECESS
10:40 - 11:40	Period 3
11:40 - 12:20	Period 4
12:20 - 1:20	LUNCH
1:20 - 2:20	Period 5
2:20 - 3:00	Period 6
3:00	Dismissal

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Inserts

The following inserts are in the November newsletter:

- November calendar
- Student Accident Insurance
- Family Movie Night

Reminder of PA day on Friday, November 15th

Important Office Note

Please refrain from calling or coming to the office after 2:30 pm to arrange last minute pick up plans. The office staff cannot always safely relay the information to the teacher/student by the 3:00 pm dismissal time.

Thank you for your co-operation in planning ahead.

Remembrance Day

Parents and family members are invited to our Remembrance Day assembly which will be held on Monday, November 11th at 10:45 a.m.



Retake Day will be Tuesday, November 12th (am)



Cancellation of Buses

Ultimately, parents are responsible for deciding whether to send their child to school. Should bad weather result in the cancellation of buses, the radio stations and TV channels shown on the next page will be notified.

If buses are cancelled and it's a pizza, burger or hot dog day, it will be rescheduled to another day so parents need to ensure their child comes to school with a lunch.

When the buses are cancelled in the morning, they are also cancelled in the afternoon.

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School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements. Since some busing schedules begin by 7:00 a.m., cancellation decisions must be made by 6:00 a.m. to allow time to communicate this message to bus drivers. Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.

School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather may not be affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.

When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.

Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.

Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home. Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO 590 AM 640 AM 680 AM 860 AM 1010 AM 1050 AM 1540 AM 1580 AM 88.5 FM 89.9 FM 92.5 FM 93.1 FM 94.9 FM 95.9 FM 97.3 FM 98.1 FM 99.1 FM 99.9 FM 101.1 FM 102.1 FM 104.5 FM 100.7 FM 105.9 107.1 FM TELEVISION CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at www.schoolbuscity.com and by calling 1- 877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on twitter.

MABEL'S LABELS FUNDRAISER

Support our fundraiser for the school's Nutrition and Snack Bin program. Purchase labels for your children's belongings to keep them out of the lost and found! Visit mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/ and be sure to choose to support Oak Ridges Public School. Spread the word to friends and family too. Thank you for your support.



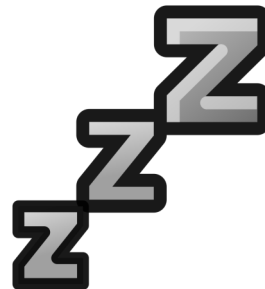
SAVE THE DATE: Sleep Day is December 3, 2019

On Tues, December 3, 2019, Sleeping Children Around the World will be hosting its fourth Sleep Day where you can wear pyjamas to school for a \$2 donation.

Sleeping Children Around the World is a 100% charitable organization based in Canada (no monies donated go to cover overhead costs) that provides Bedkits to children in developing countries. Each Bedkit includes a sleeping mat or mattress, bedding, a mosquito net to combat the threat of malaria, clothes and school supplies. Check out www.scaw.ore for more details.

For every \$35 in donations collected, we will receive a photograph of a child with their new bedkit. The donation will be made in our school's name .

We would love to have your support! With your help our Canadian students can transform the lives of children in developing countries through a good night's sleep.



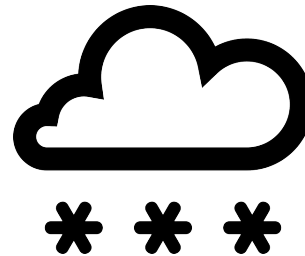
Days to Remember -November-

School Council Meetings

6:45 - 8:15 pm.

- December 2
- January 7
- February 3
- March 2
- April 6
- May 4
- June 8

- 4 - School Council meeting
- 5 - Girls Inc for Gr. 5 & 6 girls
- 11 - Remembrance Day Assembly
10:45 am
- 12 - Retake day
- 14- Parent Teacher Interviews (pm)
- 15 - Parent Teacher Interviews
- 15 - PA Day
- 18 - Gr. 7 Immunization (Hep B, HPV)
- 19 - Family Movie Night 6:30 pm
- 22 - VIP for Gr 6's
- 26 - Scientist in School (Gr. 3's)
- 29 - VIP for Gr 6's



Family Movie Night

ORPS Parent Council invites students and their families to join them for a FREE family movie night in the gymnasium.

Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30 pm

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

Peanut/Nut Free Environment

As some of our students and staff have life-threatening allergies to peanuts/nut products, please do not send these items to school in lunches and snacks with your child. We are a peanut and nut safe school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Day 1</i>	2
3	4 <i>Day 2</i> School Council meeting	5 <i>Day 3</i> Girls Inc. - Gr. 5 & 6 girls	6 <i>Day 4</i>	7 <i>Day 5</i>	8 <i>Day 1</i>	9
10	11 <i>Day 2</i> Remembrance Day Assembly 10:45 am 	12 <i>Day 3</i> Retake Day (a.m)	13 <i>Day 4</i> Progress Reports go home	14 <i>Day 5</i> Parent Teacher Interviews (pm)	15 Parent Teacher Interviews PA Day	16
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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Oak Ridges Public School



ORPS Parent Council invites students and their families to join us for a FREE, fun, family movie night in the gymnasium!

Tuesday, November 19th, 2019 at 6:30pm

“Aladdin” will begin promptly at 7:00pm

Limited supplies of hot chocolate & popcorn at no charge
(first come, first serve)

Please bring blankets, sleeping bags, yoga mats or anything comfortable to sit on for the duration of the movie

**PLEASE NOTE: This is not a drop-off event. ALL children must be supervised by an adult that will remain present throughout the duration of the movie and event.*





What you need to know as a parent about student accident insurance?

Accidents can and do happen. Families can spend thousands of dollars if their children are injured at school, on field trips, while participating in extra-curricular activities, or at home. If a student is injured, parent(s)/guardian(s) are responsible for any costs not covered by a government health insurance plan or their employer's health care plan. This leaves the parent/guardian financially responsible for these unexpected expenses.

While the York Region District School Board does not provide student accident insurance, it has arranged voluntary insurance plans through Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada's insuremykids® program. These plans are available to families of all students attending the York Region District School Board. It is recommended that you consider purchasing a student accident insurance plan.

Insuremykids® student accident insurance offers three plans with a variety of benefits at affordable rates – the most affordable plan is available for as little as \$13.00 per year for 24 hours a day, 7 days a week coverage. The most popular plan is the Platinum at \$33 per year and it includes out of province emergency medical coverage and travel benefits. Family rates are available for three or more children in the same family, even if attending different schools.

Plans provide coverage for a wide range of expenses, including:

- **Dental expenses**, includes 10 years unlimited dental benefit coverage, future dental up to \$1,650 per tooth, and injury related orthodontia coverage up to \$2,500 per accident.
- **Total and permanent disability**, up to \$350,000
- **Loss of limb/loss of use**
- **Accidental death**
- **Ambulance fees and more...**

For more information or to purchase directly online, please visit www.insuremykids.com .