



Oscar Peterson P.S

November Character Trait: *Honesty*

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CALENDAR

Nov 12 Day 2	
Nov 13 Day 3	
Nov 14 Day 4	
Nov 15 Day 5	Sr. Boys Volleyball Tournament
Nov 16 Day 1	Sr. Band @ SDSS 7pm

PHOTO GALLERY



Kindergarten Outdoors!

AT A GLANCE INFORMATION

Every Student Counts Survey: On Monday, letters regarding the Every Student Counts survey will be distributed to our students. On the letter will be a unique code that is for your child only and instructions on how to complete the survey. Students in Grades JK-6 are to complete the survey at home with the help of a family member. Our Intermediate students in Grades 7 & 8 will complete the survey at school during school hours.

Student Music Scholarship Concert: Consider joining us at Stouffville District Secondary School on November 16th at 7pm to watch our own Oscar Peterson Intermediate Band play. Tickets are \$5.00 and proceeds from the show go to our music program. A wonderful night of song, music and dance in our community.

Parent/Teacher Interviews: Parent Teacher interviews will take place on the evening of November 22nd from 3:30 to 8:00 pm and the morning of November 23rd from 8:00 to 11:30 am. Parents will need to sign up on EDSBY in order to book their timeslot. Instructions on how to do this was emailed to all families but is also included in this newsletter.

EDSBY: Once again we will be providing an opportunity for our families to use EDSBY to book appointments for Parent-Teacher Interviews/Student Led Conferences to discuss student Progress Reports. At this time we are asking all parents who do not have an EDSBY account to sign up for one in order to access your child's teachers appointment schedule and book an appointment. Invitations from EDSBY will be emailed out today if you do not have an account yet. **Booking is now open and will run until midnight on Wednesday, November 21, 2018. Please note: JK students do not register as their appointments are booked for a different time.**

Upcoming Dates:

November 15th: Sr. Boy's Area Volleyball Tournament

November 16th: Sr. Band performing at SDSS

November 19th-23rd: Book Fair

November 21st: Progress Reports Go Home

November 22nd & November 23rd: Parent/Teacher Interviews

November 23rd: P.A. Day



Sp Adobe Spark

Celebrating Diwali 2018

Hello parents and guardians of Oscar Peterson Public School. This week we will be informing you about upcoming events in your child's school community, as well as a recap on what has already happened. We encourage you to inform your students about these upcoming events and ask them questions as you see fit.

First off the robotics club is starting up again! The first meeting was on Tuesday Nov sixth.. The students who signed up will program and build robots to complete different challenges. Practices will be on Tuesday at 7:15 am before school and on Thursdays during lunch recess. After practise with the robots and the challenges have been completed, two of the teams from our school will be chosen to compete at a tournament at Barbara Reid Public School, and have the opportunity to win a spot to compete at Seneca College in February!

This month we will be remembering those who fought for us during the annual Remembrance Day assembly. Since Remembrance day is on Sunday the eleventh, our school will have the assembly on Friday the ninth. For this, each student was assigned a dot which they must design with either a word, quote or symbol with the colour (red or green) that their class was assigned. These dots will be collected and put together to make a large poppy to be displayed in the gymnasium. We will honour the veterans who fought for us at 11:00, and remember all those who didn't make it back home.

The intermediate girls volleyball team has their area tournament on Thursday November 8, where they will be competing against their last school to find out of they will compete at the regional tournament! Good luck girls!

ECO TEAM

Our Eco Club this year is about to launch our first new initiative. Our club is student run and they have decided that **November will be "Litterless Lunch" month here at OPPS.** The club selected this as the issue they are most interesting in pursuing first. We are asking that all students/families focus on litterless lunches for the month. Here are some highlights about what they students are going to implement.

1. Divisions will be competing to see who is the most successful.
2. Classes will get 1 point per reusable water bottle, 2 points per litterless lunch and, if their teacher is participating, 5 points for every staff member's lunch that is litter free.
3. Lunches that are **litterless** will count if **they do not** have any **garbage** - straws, straw wrappers, plastic, foil, etc. We will not discount lunches that have recycling or compostables.

Thanks again for your support and cooperation!

COLD WEATHER

During the cold winter months, it is important that students come to school dressed for the weather conditions. This includes: boots, hats, scarves, snow pants, warm coats and mittens or gloves. We also encourage packing an extra pair of socks and pants in case they get wet.

All students are expected to go out for every recess and lunch hour, weather permitting. We monitor the weather throughout the day, including temperature, wind chill, sun/cloud conditions and wind velocity. In extreme weather conditions, such as ice pellets or extremely high wind chill factors, administration may decide to shorten recess breaks or keep students indoors.

Students with illnesses serious enough to prevent them from participating in recess, physical education, or other outdoor activities should stay at home until their condition improves. This will also prevent the spread of illness to others.



SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

School bus service may be cancelled from time to time 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 bussing schedules begin by 7:00 a.m. or earlier, all cancellation decisions must be made by 6:00 a.m. to ensure the safety of our students. Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with school bus companies servicing York Region.

Decisions are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature and road conditions. Please note the following:

- A decision to cancel school bus transportation may be system wide (where all buses in York Region are cancelled) or municipality specific (where buses in one or more municipalities are cancelled).
- If school bus transportation in your municipality is cancelled and your child attends school in a different municipality where service is operational, your child will not be transported to/from school.
- If school bus transportation in your municipality is operational and your child attends school in a different municipality where service is cancelled, your child will not be transported to/from school.
- 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 107.1 FM TELEVISION CITY TV THE A-CHANNEL CFTO TV CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

It is important that families also recognize that on inclement weather days, lunch service arrangements (Lunch Lady), special lunches or special events/field trips will be cancelled

Families are also encouraged to record / remember their child's bus route number

PROGRESS REPORTS: Go Home November 21st

Reporting on Achievement of Curriculum Expectations: Elementary and Secondary

ELEMENTARY PROGRESS REPORT CARDS: GRADES 1 TO 8

For Grades 1 to 8, in the fall, teachers will use the Elementary Progress Report Card (Grades 1 to 6 or Grades 7 and 8) to inform parents of the progress students are making towards achievement of the curriculum expectations for each subject/strand. Teachers will check one of the following to indicate progress:

- ✓ Progressing With Difficulty
- ✓ Progressing Well
- ✓ Progressing Very Well

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION PARENT GUIDE



[LINK TO THE DOCUMENT](#)

A PARENT GUIDE TO THE 2010 ONTARIO CURRICULUM,
GRADES 1-8,
**HEALTH AND PHYSICAL
EDUCATION**
Interim Edition (Re-Issued 2018)

HEAD LICE

Like everywhere else, there is the potential for head lice in York Region and at Lester B. Pearson. It's important to check your child's head if they've been in contact with someone who has lice or if they appear to have an itchy scalp and are scratching a lot. Don't panic! Be sensitive to your child's feelings and check your child's head right away. Checking for lice takes patience, diligence and plenty of time.

Effective treatment means:

- Check all family members
- Treat only family members that have head lice
- Apply a head lice treatment as directed Remove all the nits (eggs)
- Know the facts – talk to a Public Health Nurse.

If your children have lice, please let the school know, there is a Policy we need to follow regarding lice.

Head lice

Head lice are tiny insects that live on the scalp, where they lay eggs. Head lice do not spread disease. It's not your fault if you or your child has head lice.

Having head lice does not mean you are not clean.

What do head lice look like?

Lice have 3 stages – the egg (nit), the nymph and the adult.

- Nits are whitish-grey, tan or yellow ovals, about the size of a grain of sand. They stick to the hair close to the scalp and can look like dandruff. Nits hatch into nymphs in 9 to 10 days.
- Nymphs are baby lice. They look like adult lice but smaller.
- Adult lice are hard to see since they are about the size of a sesame seed. Adult lice can live for up to 30 days on a person's head, but they die within 2 days away from the scalp.



(Figure 1) An adult louse measures 2 mm to 4 mm.

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SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR

OSCAR PETERSON FALL SPIRIT WEAR 2018!

\$15



\$15



\$12



\$30

We are launching some Fall Spirit Wear! Our website will be live from November 12th to November 28th. We will be launching some awesome hoodies, long-sleeve shirts, T-shirts and beanies. All of the above will be in grey and beanie will be in black.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! What better way to promote reading to our students than by supporting this important literary event.

We invite your entire family to participate by purchasing the latest and greatest in children's books. Your support of this vital literary event is a key part of helping us obtain new books and resources for our library and classrooms.

You'll find hundreds of quality books at our Book Fair with a wide assortment for all reading levels. Visit the Scholastic Book Fairs website at www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs to get more detailed information about these books. You can also watch book trailers and author videos with your child on the BookTube page.

Students will be bringing home a Book Fair flyer that provides a preview of only a FEW of the many books available to purchase at our Fair. The flyer also contains a special Family Event Draw ballot that parents can deposit during our Family Event. You could win \$50 in books – \$25 for your family PLUS \$25 for your child's classroom!

Don't forget to mark the Book Fair dates on your calendar! We look forward to seeing you during our Scholastic Book Fair and thank you, in advance, for supporting this great literary event. Thank you for believing in books and the impact of reading on your child's future.

Book Fair Dates: November 19-23rd, 2018

Times: Book exchange periods, Recess/Lunch and the evening of Nov. 23 4-7pm

Location: OPPS Library

Visa, MasterCard and Interac are welcome.



Friday November 30th

6:30 PM

OPPS FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT



JOIN US IN THE GYM TO WATCH A MOVIE
WITH YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY.
WEAR YOUR COMFY CLOTHES AND BRING A BLANKET.

POPCORN AND BOTTLED WATER WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR SALE. CASH ONLY!!

TICKETS

\$4 PER PERSON OR
\$15 PER FAMILY (UP TO 5 PER HOUSEHOLD)
EVERY PERSON ATTENDING NEEDS A TICKET

PAYABLE AT SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

MUST PRE-REGISTER AT
SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

DOORS OPEN AT 8PM

THANK YOU
FOR SUPPORTING OPPS

Oscar Peterson Public School Presents:
Creating the Empowered Family:
Restoring **Connection** and **Harmony** in the Modern Family



- Feeling disconnected from your kids?
- Worried about their mental health and well-being?
- Concerned about their future?

You are invited to hear Michael Eisen, motivational speaker, author of Empowered YOUTH and founder of the Youth Wellness Network, present on the topic of parental self-care, mindfulness strategies (for both parents and their children at home), and empowering communication.

When: Friday, November 30th, 9:00am
Where: Oscar Peterson Public School (library)

(A separate student presentation will occur focusing on positive thinking and having a growth mindset).



www.youthwellnessnetwork.ca
www.facebook.com/YouthWellnessNetwork
[@YouthWellNet](https://twitter.com/YouthWellNet)



Welcome to Edsby

York Region District School Board has partnered with Edsby to provide a secure platform for families to connect with what's happening at school and with your child's education.

Edsby offers many different features that YRDSB will be rolling out over the next several years. Some of these features include:

- Absence reporting
- A news river with school events and information
- Appointment bookings for Parent-Teacher Interviews/Student-Led Conferences
- Program registration
- Extra-curricular Groups and Activities
- Access to your child's schedule and upcoming events.

Our school will communicate more information as features become available.

For Edsby to be effective, it contains personal information about you and your family that is collected by the Board at registration. This information is used to provide services and support to you and your family. Edsby has been designed as a secure system that protects the privacy of this information for our families.

Setting up your Edsby Account for the first time

An email from York Region District School Board was sent with instructions on how to create an Edsby account. Make sure the school office has your **current email address on file**.

If you do not see the email, please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity.

1. Click the link in the email. The browser will send you to a screen like the one on the right.
2. Click the "I don't have an Edsby parent account" button. **Your username will be your email address. You will choose your password.** Similar to a banking password, it is important to choose a strong password. Please do not share your password.
3. Click "Create Edsby Account." A "Welcome to Edsby" message will be sent to your email address.

The image shows two side-by-side screenshots of the Edsby web interface. The left screenshot is the login page for High Prairie School District. It features the Edsby logo at the top, followed by the text "Sign in to High Prairie School District" and "High Prairie School District". Below this, it says "Edsby account registration for parent of Elizabeth Cheng. Please select one of the choices below. If this is not your child, please click here". There are two blue buttons: "Login to your existing High Prairie School District Edsby parent account" and "I don't have an Edsby parent account at High Prairie School District". At the bottom, there are links for "Need help?" and "Cancel". The right screenshot is the registration page. It also has the Edsby logo and "Sign in to High Prairie School District" text. It contains three input fields: "Email (this will be your username)" with the value "fcheng_edsby@mailinator.com", "Choose your password *", and "Retype password *". A blue "Create Edsby Account" button is at the bottom, with a "Back" link below it. An orange dashed arrow points from the "I don't have an Edsby parent account" button in the left screenshot to the registration form in the right screenshot.

For questions about your Edsby account, please contact your child's school

FLU SEASON IS HERE

Get the flu shot as early as possible



The first and best step to preventing the flu (or influenza), is to **get the flu shot every year**. The flu spreads quickly and easily from an infected person to others and anyone can get it. Getting the flu shot can protect you, your family and those around you.

Students may be at higher risk of getting the flu as they come together in close public spaces including the classroom, gymnasium, lunch room and library.

The flu shot is especially important for students who have a chronic condition (e.g. asthma, diabetes) or those who live with or have close contact with a pregnant woman, kids less than five years old, or a resident of a nursing home or other chronic care facility since these groups are at higher risk of getting very sick or being hospitalized because of the flu.

Flu shots are **free** and are readily available at:

- Health care provider's offices for people six months of age and older
- Participating pharmacies, for people five years of age and older

In addition to getting the flu shot annually, here are some other health tips that can help prevent the spread of the flu:

- Wash your hands well and often with either soap and water or alcohol based hand rub
- Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze (if you do not have a tissue, cough into your upper sleeve)
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Stay home when you're sick
- Clean and disinfect surfaces and shared items

It's important to get the flu shot as early as possible as it can take nearly **two weeks** for the influenza vaccine to take full effect.

To learn more about flu and flu vaccine, visit york.ca/flu.

PUBLIC HEALTH

1-877-464-9675
TTY 1-866-512-6228
york.ca/flu



**PERFORMANCE
DEVELOPMENT**

Approved Service Provider for YRDSB

RED CROSS

BABYSITTING

CERTIFICATE COURSE

**11 Yr
&
Older**

Looking after children is a big responsibility. It's also your chance to earn money and gain valuable experience. But you'll need skills to make sure you can do the job well. The Babysitter's Course is here to help you make sure you're prepared to give excellent care to the children you'll be watching over.

The Babysitting Course is taught by fun, well-trained facilitators with first aid certification and teaching experience. You'll get the chance to practice diapering, feeding, discussions and problem-solving exercises will help you be confident on a babysitting job.



\$68.00 HST Inc.

Manual and Certificate per Student

P.A. Day Course

Nov. 23, 2018

PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT

CONTACT: JANET / PAULINE

289-231-9244

pdbabysitting@hotmail.com



RETURN FORM AND PAYMENT TO YOUR SCHOOL OFFICE BY **Mon. November 12, 2018**

COST PER STUDENT \$68.00

Please make cheques payable to: PERFORMANCE DEVELOPMENT
\$10.00 processing fee for any cancellations/NSF cheques

Location: **Wendat Village P.S.**

P.A. DAY PROGRAM

Day of Program: _____

Time: **9:00am - 3:30pm**

Name of Student: _____

Teacher: _____

Address: _____

City/Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone No: _____ Emergency No: _____

Contact: (print) _____ Signature: _____

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Please note that Performance Development is an independent provider of the York Region District School Board, and the YRDSB will not be held liable for the financial responsibilities of Performance Development. In the event that you are unable to complete the program an understanding has been reached to: a) Allow another service provider to complete the program. b) Refund the program fee on a prorated basis.