



Oscar Peterson P.S

September Character Trait: Respect

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Calendar

Sept 17 Day 5	School Council Meeting, 7:00 pm Lice Check
Sept 18 Day 1	
Sept 19 Day 2	Yom Kippur Sub Lunch begins today
Sept 20 Day 3	
Sept 21 Day 4	Terry Fox Run 1:40 – 2:40

Photo Gallery



At a Glance Information

Cross Country News: Those students interested in being on the Cross country team had an open run this week and attended a meeting. Regular practices begin next week. The Area meet is Tuesday Oct 9. Our coaches are: Ms. Walker, Ms. Warner, Ms. Giancolous, Ms. Coyne, Ms. Offor, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Dart and Ms. Kirby.

Games Club: Volunteers Needed for Board Games Club. Games Club runs on **Tuesday's (grades 1-4) and Thursday's (grade 5-8)**, from **12:40pm to 1:40pm**, in the Library. This is a wonderful group for all children to learn new games, meet new friends, and have some screen free fun! All are welcome. If you are interested in volunteering, please email Brigitte at brigitte_arsenault@hotmail.com

Library Learning Commons News: The OPPS Library Learning Commons opened up this week for orientations and a first try at the September STEM designs and challenges. Students followed rule #1 of the Makerspace- BE CREATIVE!

School Organization: Please see below for the new school organization and contact info of all our staff members.

Terry Fox: Our school is proud to be participating in the Terry Fox School Run on Friday, September 21st, 2018. We held a kick off assembly this week for the entire school to get the kids excited and on board with the fundraiser. Last week we sent home the Terry Fox t-shirt order form for those parents and students that wanted to order a shirt. If you missed ordering, this is still possible, please call the office. To join our school community and support this worthy cause, click: <http://www.terryfox.ca/OscarPetersonPSStouffville> to be taken to our school's fundraising page. The Terry Fox Foundation has a great reputation with 82 cents of every dollar going directly to cancer research. Thank you for joining us in the fight against cancer and for making a difference in our community and abroad.

Parking: We ask for all parents to please co-operate with our request to refrain from parking their vehicles in our parking lot when dropping off and picking up students. Please use adjacent or neighbouring side streets to park your child and walk to the entry door to pick up your child. Thank you for co-operation.

Medication/Epi Pen: Remember if your child requires Medication or has an Epi Pen or has other Health concerns please submit notice to the office **ASAP**. There are additional forms that are needed to be filled out and are available in the office. ****If your child requires an Epi Pen, it needs to be worn on their person (i.e. in a pouch) and an extra one must be provided to the office.

Start-up Package and Important Forms: The start-up package went home last week. Please remember to read through it and fill in the important forms and return to the office **ASAP**. The Student Verification form was also sent home, please make any changes then sign and return the form to your child's teacher **ASAP**.

Upcoming Dates:

Terry Fox Run: Friday, September 21 (Rain date September 25th)

PA Day: Monday, September 24 (no school)

Picture Day: Tuesday, October 2

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Student News**

Hello to the parents and guardians of Oscar Peterson Public School! We are a team of Grade 8 students who will be talking to you each week about what's going on in our school community, from a student's perspective! This section of the newsletter will introduce teams, clubs, school events and other things that your child may be involved in at school.

If your child is in Grades 4-8 they had the opportunity to join the cross-country team. If they do participate, they will represent our school at the Area meet.

We have also had some of the co-ed intermediate flag football tryouts for Grade 7-8. Our coaches include, Mr. Whiton, Mr. Ferguson, and Mrs. Offor, who are looking forward to a great season.

Several Grade 5's and 6's have volunteered to lunch monitor our classes from Kindergarten to Grade 3. These monitors will supervise the students during lunch keeping them safe and assisted when needed.

Just like years before, this years, Grade 7's and 8's are invited to join our intermediate band. The band will be performing at many different concerts and locations. They will also learn to play many different pieces of music and compete against other schools while representing our own.

Intermediate volleyball is already underway as boy's head coach Mr. Prieur has finished tryouts and begun practices. The girl's first tryout was Thursday the 13th and will continue this coming week. This year's intermediate girl's coaches will be Mrs. Rand, Ms. McGuire and Mrs. Coyne.

This concludes our first newsletter of the new school year. We hope everybody has a great year! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us at (905) 642-1236 for more information. Thank you and have a great news school year.



Walking or Cycling to School



As we start the 2018-2019 school year, we would like to remind and encourage families to consider **walking or cycling with children to and from school**. There are many benefits to walking and cycling to school. It:

Improves student academic performance by making children more alert and better prepared to learn.

Contributes to the daily goal of 60 minutes of moderate or vigorous activity for children, improving their health and overall fitness.

Reduces traffic congestion and improves safety for everyone in school zones.

Promotes life-long habits that foster independence and active lifestyles, preparing children for their future.

For those who can't walk or cycle to school every day, choosing active travel once, twice or a few days a week can still provide benefits. You can also consider parking a block away from the school and walking the rest of the way. Include active travel as part of your daily routine!

No Substitute Peanut Butter Please

A substitute peanut butter product is being marketed to consumers as a safe alternative for children to bring to schools in place of peanut butter. We ask that parents refrain from including these kinds of products in your child's lunches or snacks. These products tend to look, taste, and smell very much like peanut butter. While the product is nut free, it mimics a known allergen that causes anaphylaxis in some children to the degree that it is indistinguishable from the allergen. It is a convincing substitute, opening up the possibility that it can be confused as peanut butter, or worse yet, peanut butter could be confused as this soy-based product.



The safety and well-being of our students is our first priority, which is why our schools have procedures in place to minimize risk of anaphylaxis reactions in our students. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation in avoiding the use of these products to assist in our continued efforts to create a safe, caring and inclusive learning environment for all students.

I HAVE A CONCERN. WHO DO I CONTACT?

Most situations can be resolved with dialogue and cooperation at the local school level. If you have a concern, please follow these steps:

For school matters:

1. Arrange a meeting with the appropriate school staff member.
2. If further assistance is required, the school principal or designate may be contacted to review the matter, mediate and help facilitate the process.
3. Contact the superintendent for your school if the matter remains unresolved.

For non-school or non-student related matters, contact the appropriate department. Contact information can be found on the back of this guide.

We are committed to addressing concerns in a fair, equitable and timely manner.

If you have a human rights related concern and/or complaint, the first step is to engage with the school or the school superintendent. Following a review of the matter, a determination is made on whether or not the issue should be referred to the Board's Human Rights Commissioner's Office. For more information, see the section on Human Rights Commissioner's Office in this guide.



Oscar Peterson Staff List · 2018-2019

			Room	Voice mail
Principal	....	Farooq Shabbar	183	1838
Vice Principal	....	Ingrid Legros	182	1828
EOAA	....	Amanda Harris	181	1818
Secretary	....	Emily Rampartab	180	1808
Kindergarten A	....	Sarah Gibson-Neve	102	1028
		<i>Caitlynn Watson (DECE)</i>	102	4158
B	....	Rebecca Paul	105	1058
		<i>Claire Ellis (DECE)</i>	105	4128
C	....	Flo Gotzamanis (Clarke)	106	1068
		<i>Amy Chan (DECE)</i>	106	4168
D	....	Alysha Harrington	111	1118
		<i>Sheba Yousof</i>	111	1028
E	....	Katrina Cressall (Choy)	110	1108
		<i>Danielle Siapas (DECE)</i>	110	4138
Grade 1A	....	Julie Duncan	120	1208
Grade 1B	....	Cheryl Warrener	124	1248
Grade 1C	....	Shanyn McIntyre	132	1328
Grade 2A	....	Maytal Oziel	126	1268
Grade 2B	....	Allison McMullen	125	1258
Grade 2C	....	Kristine Irwin	114	1148
Grade 2/3A	....	Gina Luciano-Coyne	207	2078
Grade 3A	....	Cathy Strike portable 2	322	3228
Grade 3B	....	Sarah Chetwyn portable 3	323	3238
Grade 3C	....	Sabrina Itwarie portable 1	321	3218
Grade 4A	....	Branden Simair	204	2048
Grade 4B	....	Susan Grant	206	2068
Grade 4C	....	Monika Dogra portable 4	324	3248
Grade 5A	....	Lori Giancoulos	201	2018
Grade 5B	....	Sinduja Baveen (Li-Owens)	205	2058
Grade 5/6A	....	Adam Jerry	202	2028
Grade 6A	....	Lauren Woodcroft	203	2038
Grade 6B	....	Martin Prieur	221	2218
Grade 7A	....	Mary Offor	223	2238
Grade 7B	....	Jessica Rand	224	2248
Grade 8A	....	Andrea Izzo	200	2008
Grade 8B	....	Thomas Whiton	222	2228
CCAA	....	Aaron Ferguson	208	2088
		<i>Michelle Hooper</i>	208	4088
		<i>Tammy Wawryk</i>	208	4328
CCAB	....	Kaurina Bell	123	1238
		<i>Lindsay Morrell</i>	123	4318
		<i>Danielle Campanile</i>	123	4028
SSCA	....	Flavia Ratti	205C	
SSCB	....	Yolanda Vario	220	2208
Music	....	Melissa McWilliam	121	1218
French	....	Sharon Chinchen	219	2198
		Candyce McCann	219	4248
ELL	....	Lisa Morris	280	2808
Prep	....	Marie Syvret	219	4268
Prep	....	Monika Lee	219	4078
Prep	....	Eva Eng	219	4018
Prep	....	Tara Walker	219	
RR	....	Jill Daniels	187	1878
Library	....	Sara Dart	119	1198
CYW	....	Caitlin McGuire	215	4308
		Linda Lebelle	215	4048
		Jennifer Hoekstra	215	4038
Custodians	Sean Taylor, Glen Smith, John McDougall, Matt Davis...		130
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