



Oscar Peterson P.S

September Character Trait: Respect

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Calendar

Sept 24 Day 0	PA Day (no school)
Sept 25 Day 5	Terry Fox Run (rescheduled from Friday)
Sept 26 Day 1	Grade 8's at Mini-Yo-We
Sept 27 Day 2	Grade 8's at Mini-Yo-We
Sept 28 Day 3	Grade 8's at Mini-Yo-We Orange Shirt Day

Photo Gallery



Saving Fred in Gr. 5!



Practicing with the X-Country Team!

At a Glance Information

School Council Executive: Congratulations to our new School Council Executive: Kate LoPresti - Co Chair, Amanda Dimilta - Co Chair, Randi Mayor - Public Relations, Rebecca Holohan – Treasurer, Nehal Menon – Secretary, Kelly Mohsenzadeh – Secretary, Brigette Arsenaault - Events Coordinator, Alicia Hanson - Events Coordinator. The following dates have been confirmed for School Council Meetings for the 2018-2019 school year. Please join us – all are welcome!

Monday, October 15, Monday, November 19, Monday, January 14, Monday, February 18, Monday, April 15, Monday, May 13, Monday, June 17

Orange Shirt Day: Recognize the resiliency and bravery of Residential School Survivors by wearing an orange shirt. Read about the significance of the orange shirt below.

X-Country Team: Practices are well under way. Runners are practicing 4-5 times a week. Our area meet is Tuesday October 9th.

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_arsenaault@hotmail.com

Terry Fox Run: 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.

Pizza and Sub Parent Volunteers: The pizza and sub lunch fundraisers require volunteers to run smoothly. Orders are coordinated in advance and the volunteer role on the day involves helping to distribute lunches to the students. Volunteers are required for 1 to 1.5 hours on Wednesdays and Fridays. Parents can commit to as little as once a month or more often if desired. Training is provided. Please send a message at oppspizza@gmail.com if interested.

Girls Volleyball: is up and running with weekly practices. Games to follow soon!

Upcoming Dates:

P.A. Day: Monday, September 24th (no school)

Orange Shirt Day: Friday, September 28th

Picture Day: Tuesday, October 2nd

Oscar Peterson Open House: Wednesday, October 3rd: 6:30-7:30pm



Student Newsletter 9/21/18

Hello parents and guardians of Oscar Peterson Public School. This week we would like to discuss all the things going on in the school including trips, new additions to O.P.P.S, and the Terry Fox Run.

If you have a kid in grade eight you've been told about the grade 8 grad trip this year. The grade 8s will be going on a 3 day 2 night trip to camp Mini-Yo-We on September 26th. They will be participating in many fun and team-building activities with their classmates. Some activities include high ropes, archery and mountain biking. They will return on September 28th with many stories to tell you!

Is your child excited for the annual Terry Fox Run? We will be raising money for cancer research. This year our goal as a school will be to raise \$7,500. If every student brings in a little bit of money each, we will reach our goal and help towards the cause. Also your child will be entered into a draw and will have a chance to win a prize. Such prizes include, a Tim Hortons gift card, lunch with two teachers, duct tape a teacher to the wall, vice principal for half a day, and more!

Popcorn sales have also started once again! Flavours include sriracha, butter and salt, dill pickle, salt and vinegar and white cheddar. The grade eights will run the popcorn sales as usual. Each bag of popcorn costs \$1.00. Money made from selling popcorn will be split between the grade eight graduation and supporting the school.

To wrap up our segment, we will talk about how some of our school teams are doing. The flag football first cut has been made and the team will be made soon. The intermediate girls' volleyball team has been made and ready to hit the court! Finally, the intermediate boys' volleyball team had their first game on September 20th. Have a great day and we hope you enjoyed reading this article.

-The Grade 8 Students





The [Orange Shirt Day](#) movement started in 2013 to highlight the pain and suffering of thousands of Indigenous children who were sent to residential school throughout the last century. The colour of the shirt is connected to the experience of Phyllis Webstad who was sent to Cariboo Residential School near Williams Lake, BC, in 1973.

Six-years old at the time, Phyllis went to her first day of school wearing a new bright orange shirt. New clothes were a rare thing for the young girl, who was being raised by her grandmother. However, upon arriving at the school, the nuns stripped her of the shirt, forcing her to wear the school's institutional uniform.

Webstad has felt the impact of that event long after it occurred, "that feeling of worthlessness and insignificance, ingrained in me from my first day at the mission, affected the way I lived my life for many years. Even now, when I know nothing could be further than the truth, I still sometimes feel that I don't matter."

The shirt has since gone on to become a symbol of a national movement that recognizes the suffering of Indigenous children at residential schools across the country and to show a renewed commitment to ensure that every child matters.

Recognize the resiliency and bravery of Residential School Survivors by wearing an orange shirt.



Extra! Extra! Read All About our Staff at OPPS!

Be sure to stop by and learn all about us!

Thanks Ms. Siapas for your creativity!



Literacy/Numeracy Update at OPPS

Our OPPS Bookmobiles have arrived! Students will now have access to the bookmobiles that have grade level PM texts/stories for use in the classroom and as a take home reading book. Thank you to the Parent Council for your support in getting this initiative up and running!



Math News from the Ministry of Education

September

Focusing on the Fundamentals of Math, Grades 1-8

The Ontario government recently released a [parent fact sheet](#) and a [teacher's guide](#) on *Focusing on the Fundamentals of Math in grades 1 to 8*. In the guide, teachers are asked to focus attention on expectations from the Number Sense and Patterning strands of the current math curriculum and are also asked to focus on student understanding and sense-making before formal methods, such as using traditional formulas, are introduced.

York Region teachers have always worked to develop strong number sense, computational fluency and automaticity with math facts while supporting student understanding of underlying concepts. All educators in our board continue to support students in becoming confident problem solvers who use mathematical knowledge, skills and processes to be contributing members of a changing society.

In order to support your child with math at home and in day-to-day life, the [math page on our board website](#) lists useful websites, activities and games that you can reference and use. Thank you for the important role you play in the creation of confident problem solvers.

Math is everywhere!

September is a great time to start building routines at home which can support children in developing a positive disposition towards math. Providing opportunities at home that promote math talk can support a child's mathematical knowledge and understanding. Whether you are, shopping, cooking, playing a game, organizing, taking a walk, or reading, there are many opportunities to highlight math in different ways.

Activities:

Primary - Grocery Shopping

Ask your child to estimate how many of a grocery item (for example, a type of fruit or vegetable, bread or pet food) your family will need for the week.

Ask, "Why do you think that amount will be needed?"

At the end of the week, have your child count the number actually used.



Junior/Intermediate - Budget Challenge

Give your child an imaginary budget to spend at his or her favourite store (flyers or online catalogues may be helpful). Without writing down the amounts, have your child choose items to purchase. He or she will have to use estimation to stay within the budget. Then, have your child add up the actual costs. Did she or he stay within the budget? For a challenge, help your child estimate any taxes.

Tips for Math

- Build strong, positive attitudes about math. When children feel positively engaged and successful, they are more likely to stick with an activity or a problem to find a solution.
- Begin with activities that meet your child's level of mathematical understanding. Early success in solving problems will build your child's confidence. Gradually move to activities that provide more challenge for your child.
- If you and your child are more comfortable in a language other than English, use it. Your child will understand concepts better in the language that he or she knows best

(Doing Mathematics With Your Child, Kindergarten to Grade 6: A Parent Guide)

To find out what your child will learn in math this year or to find other fun activities that you can do together as a family, please visit <http://www.yrdsb.ca/Programs/Math/Pages/default.aspx>. Be sure to also try our [Problem of the Month](#)

Arts Express

It's fun! It's creative! It's Arts Express!

Arts Express is coming to our school with their lunch Hip Hop and Glee Time programs. It will be fun and friends and art for 9 weeks beginning October 1st. To register visit www.artsexpress.ca or call 416-239-3093.

Lunch Lady



All Little Lunch combos come with fruit & milk.
Perfectly created for little hands!

Mac & Cheese Little Lunch Kid Approved! Made fresh daily using real cheddar cheese! (V)	\$5.95
Buttery Parm Pasta Little Lunch Buttery parmesan penne pasta. Yum! (V)	\$5.85
Spaghetti & Meatballs Little Lunch Whole wheat spaghetti & beef meatballs in Lunchie's homemade tomato sauce.	\$5.95
Grilled Cheese Little Lunch Grilled cheddar cheese sandwich on whole wheat cut into wedges for little hands to enjoy. (V)	\$5.75
Chicken Nuggets Little Lunch Lightly breaded, baked chicken breast nuggets.	\$5.95
Pancakes Little Lunch Whole grain pancakes cut into little bites & side syrup. (V)	\$5.65

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- Assorted Drinks
- Garden/Caesar Side Salads
- Cookies & Smoothies
- and more online!

Ordering is easy at theLunchLady.ca

Orders due 2 days before lunch day.

Login or setup an account to see your school's lunch day and full menu.

● Gluten Free (V) Vegetarian

Halal Options Available

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Your Lunch Lady is

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Information Night for Students and Parents

Are you interested in attending Bill Crothers Secondary School for the school year 2019 - 2020?

Bill Crothers Secondary School is a unique, system-wide program that provides an inclusive and engaging learning environment for students who are motivated by healthy active living and sport while achieving academic success. This school operates on a Balanced School Year (early August to mid-June) schedule which supports the diverse needs of student-athletes. Specialized programming is offered to support our students through our diverse and daily Health and Physical Education and High Performance Athlete Program with contextualized learning in a variety of subject courses. During the school day, we offer an Integrated Learning Instructional Period (ILIP) which provides supervised time for students to achieve their academic goals.

Information Night at: Bill Crothers Secondary School, 44 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario.

Thursday September 27, 2018

and

Tuesday October 2, 2018

**Information sessions will be from 7:00 – 8:30 pm
in the school cafeteria (3rd floor) and/or Gym A
You are welcome to attend either of the evenings.**

Admission to Bill Crothers Secondary School is by application and is open to students who reside in York Region entering grades 9, 10, 11, or 12. Students must declare the sport in which they compete at the highest level outside of school and will not be able to compete in this sport for BCSS in the YRAA (York Region Athletic Association) or OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association) league. Alternative competitive options are being explored. Secondly, students who transfer in for grade 10, 11 and 12 are subject to YRAA and OFSAA transfer rules. Please refer to the YRAA website (<http://www.yraa.com>).

Due to limited space and building capacity regulations, we ask that **only families with students interested in attending BCSS for the school year 2019 - 2020** attend one of these evenings. Parking is limited so we ask that you carpool or park at the GO Station. **By-law officers will enforce the parking regulations.**

Applications will be available from the website on Wednesday October 3, 2018.

For further information, contact shirley.difebo@yrdsb.ca