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## École Oriole Park School

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### This Month at OP

#### Monday, January 9

- First Day Back to School

#### Friday, January 20

- NO SCHOOL – Staff Learning & Planning Day
- Family Ski Day at Canyon Ski Resort 10am-5pm

#### Monday, January 18

- Parent Council Meeting at 3:30pm

#### Tuesday, January 31

- Assembly - 2:00pm



### Message from the Principal

Welcome back! Happy New Year et Bonne année! We hope that you had a wonderful holiday. January tends to be a time for resolutions, and reflection of the past year. At OP, we are also reflecting on past successes and embracing new learning opportunities. Through our Pyramid of Supports model, the staff are seeing great gains in the students' reading levels through the daily guided reading groups. We are looking forward to having additional professional development on using our reading assessment feedback to further support student learning. We are also purchasing additional reading resources with Spellathon fundraising money.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Christmas concert performances. We deeply appreciate families taking the time and to celebrate both the season, and our students' efforts. A heartfelt thank you to students, parents, staff, parent council and Lindsey Thurber High School for supporting our O.P. Adopt-A-Family over the Christmas season. The project provided 8 families with Christmas hampers filled with groceries and gifts. Two boxes of goods were also dropped at the Christmas Bureau. Working together, we are able to accomplish great things! We look forward to more great adventures in 2017!

*Colette Pedde*

### Kindergarten Registration

Registrations for the 2017-2018 Kindergarten school year begins January 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am. Beginning in September, 2017 our school will be offering full day Kindergarten in English and French Immersion. Students will be able to attend on either Mondays & Wednesdays or Tuesdays & Thursdays and alternating Fridays. Any child who is 5 years old on or by December 31, 2017 is eligible to begin Kindergarten in September 2017.

This year registration will be online which can be completed at home or at school. When coming to register your child, please your child's birth certificate, as Alberta Education requires us to have a copy on file. If you would like a tour of the school, please give us a call. We would be happy to set up a time to show you around.



### Skating & Cross Country Skiing



This month, we will be starting our skating program as part of our Physical Education program. Please see page 5 for a copy of our Skating schedule. According to District guidelines, students are kept inside when temperatures reach -20° Celsius or colder, inclusive of wind chill. Since the weather changes rapidly, if the temperature is close to this cutoff, a final decision regarding skating or skiing will be made by the teachers involved approximately ½ hour prior to the scheduled activity and posted on your child's class website at [oriolepark.rdpsd.ab.ca](http://oriolepark.rdpsd.ab.ca).

This year once again it has been mandated that all students in Alberta must skate with an approved CSA hockey helmet. Bicycle helmets cannot be used. Please ensure your child has a CSA approved hockey helmet for use when our skating program begins in January.



## Super Kid Pizza Lunch

École Oriole Park School celebrated its fourth "Super Kid Lunch". Students receive "Super Kid coupons" from staff for being respectful, kind, being, proactive or resilient followed by a monthly draw.

Congratulations to our December winners:

K - Jorja, Gr. 1 - Sophie, Gr. 2 - Patricia, Gr. 3 - Madison, Gr. 4. - Alyssa, and Gr. 5 - Brock.



## Remind

We encourage parents to sign up for this free, convenient communication tool. Remind sends out short text messages on behalf of École Oriole Park School to any smart phone device. To sign up, text @oriol to (581) 222-9823. You will receive a confirmation. To remove yourself from the service, simply text @LEAVE.



## Parent Council Corner

All parents are invited and encouraged to attend Parent Council meetings which are held throughout the year. Our next meeting will be January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30pm. There will not be child care provided as it is an evening meeting.



## Hot Lunch

• **Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

This month's hot lunch is hosted by Extreme Pita. You are encouraged to order online at [op.hotlunches.net](http://op.hotlunches.net). To order, please visit our school website under the *Students and Parents* tab for detailed instructions. Cash orders for the rest of the year are due by January 10th due to the significant volunteer time involved in counting money. Online orders may be made monthly.



## Family Ski Day

• **Jan 20<sup>th</sup>**

Come out and enjoy the fresh air. A Family Ski Day is planned for Jan 20 (10am – 5 pm) at Canyon Ski Resort. A minimum of 25 people are required to access the Group Rate. New this year Canyon has included a Helmet with all rentals. As well the GST, is included in all group prices.

**\*Please Note:** Helmets are mandatory for all children participating in a school-sponsored event. We are taking advantage of a group rate but transportation & supervision of children is the responsibility of the families.

To register, **please complete the online form linked to our school website or the attached form** and send it along with payment to the school **by Jan 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please make cheques payable to École Oriole Park School. Sorry there is not a reduction in cost if you do not wish a lesson. Rates are per date, indicate which dates you are skiing/snowboarding/tubing on the registration page. We are doing ski registration this year, one date at a time. The next dates are February 24 and March 24. Forms for those dates will be sent out one month prior to the date.

Skiing and Rentals	13 years and over	12 years and under
Area Pass & Lesson	\$ 25.00	\$ 20.00
Ski & Boot & Helmet Rental	\$ 19.00	\$ 19.00
Snowboard & Boot & Helmet Rental	\$ 24.00	\$ 24.00
Lesson Only (season pass holder)	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00
Helmet Rental only	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00
Walking Pass (wish to be on the hill but not skiing/snowboarding/tubing)		
Free, but must be indicated on order sheet and must be worn on hill		



# Family Ski Day Registration Form

**Please note:** The tubing hill does not open on Fridays until 5pm. We will not add these on the registration form for February and March but you can add it while you are on the hill the day of for \$5. Just go to the ticket booth with your same day lift ticket to get the add on.

**Lesson Information:** We need to tell Canyon how many lessons and at what level. There must be a minimum of 5 participants in any lesson for Canyon to offer the lesson. As well, Canyon may combine schools for lessons. **\*\*Please NOTE:** Due to their young age, children 4 years and younger may NOT join a group lesson. Children with special needs may join a group lesson with their aide or parent. Canyon Ski Resort recommends individual private lessons may be booked for those 4 and younger or those with special needs for the price of \$40.00/ hour. Private lessons must be booked in advance in order to ensure instructor availability on the day of your trip. Please call (403) 346-7003 to book your own lesson.

## For Rental Equipment:

Each person who is renting equipment needs to provide height, weight and ability level upon rental.  
Lesson Ability Levels (for Skiing and Snowboarding)

Never Ever	- This is your first time on skis or a snowboard.
Beginner	- You can stop and turn on beginner runs. Your goal is getting up the chairlift, but you are NOT confident on beginner runs.
Intermediate	- You are confident on beginner and intermediate runs. Your goal is to have better technique and confidence.
Advanced	- You can confidently ski or board all the runs at Canyon. Your goal is goal is to gain more confidence on varied terrain and conditions.

## SKI/SNOWBOARD DAY INFORMATION

- The hill opens at 9am, rentals open at 9:30am, lessons start at 10am.
- Robyn will be on site at 9-9:15am to get the lift tickets. Robyn will be in the main lobby until the rentals open at 9:30am. At that time, I will go downstairs to rentals and you will need to get your pass from me there. Please see me for your lift tickets.
- If you need rentals, please proceed downstairs at 9:30am. Boots are self-serve and then see one of the counter attendants for either skis or snowboards and helmets. You check in with Robyn, also downstairs at the bottom of the stairs before you leave with the numbers for your gear.
- If you are having a lesson, please be upstairs, gear on outside the building towards the hill by the red snow fence, by the letter for your lesson at 10am. They will group the lessons and get you out. If there are more people than they can handle, they will take the A (never ever) and B (beginner) lessons out first. Lessons are 1 hour.
- After your lesson or if you aren't having one you are welcome to ski as much of the day as you like.
- Cafeteria upstairs in the lodge. There is an ATM but they accept cash only.

Contact information for questions or that day: Robyn Bagley [robyn.bagley@gmail.com](mailto:robyn.bagley@gmail.com) 403-318-1214. Please note there is very limited cell service on the Canyon Ski Hill.

**To register for the Family Ski Day:** Please complete the form or complete the online google form at the link below and send it along with payment to the school **by Jan 13, 2016**. Please make cheques payable to École Oriole Park

School dated for Jan 13. Contact information for questions or that day: Robyn Bagley robyn.bagley@gmail.com 403-318-1214, google form link - <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12leJf6h5C1VjWQcBjHhbPbPqdnnaI6bP0UKPgpm8tHo/edit>

**For Rental Equipment:** Each person who is renting equipment needs to provide height, weight and ability level upon rental.

Name	Walking Pass	Total cost per person for this day	Weight	Height	Lesson Level A,B,C,D	Just Lesson Season Pass Holder	Just Helmet rental	Snowboard rental	Skiing rental	Need lift ticket for day	Age	Skiing or Snow boarding
1												
2												
3												
4												
5												
6												

**Assumption of Risk:** Skiing and Snowboarding and tubing, although challenging and invigorating, involve many inherent risks. Injury may result from, but is not limited to, many natural and man-made hazards such as collision with other skiers, snowboarders, or obstacles, varying snow and terrain conditions, as well as improper use of lift facilities. Falls, collisions and other incidents may occur and cause injury. Skiers, snowboarders, and tubers and their respective parent or guardian must assume the risks involved with these sports or should not take part in the activity. I understand that this information is very important for the safety of my child. I verify that the information I have provided is accurate. I have also read and understand the above information and warning and I accept the inherent risks involved with my child participating in a Ski and Snowboard activity at Canyon Ski and Recreation Area Ltd. I am aware that \_\_\_\_\_ School is NOT responsible for transportation to or supervision of children at Canyon Ski Resort

I give my child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ name/s) permission to participate in a ski and snowboard program at Canyon Ski Resort & Recreation Area Ltd.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If just a child is being registered, please indicate who will be supervising the child at Canyon Ski Resort.

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# Oriole Park Skating Schedule

This skating schedule will start January 11<sup>th</sup>, dependent upon weather.

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00-9:30					
9:30 - 10:00					
10:00 - 10:30	3H & 3W		2/3K & 3R		
	Recess		Recess		
10:45 - 11:15	3H & 3W		2/3K & 3R		
11:15-11:45	2BA & 2BE		1J & 1/2J	KC & KS	
11:45-12:15	2BA & 2BE		1J & 1/2J	KC & KS	
	Lunch		Lunch		
1:15 - 1:45	5D & 4/5ST		4G	KC & KS	
1:45 - 2:15	5D & 4/5ST		4G	KC & KS	4C & 4/5F
2:15 - 2:45	1HA & 1HO				4C & 4/5F
2:45 - 3:15	1HA & 1HO				