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friendships begin*

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This Month at OP

Thursday, March 16

- Hot Lunch

Monday, March 20

- Spellathon Pledges Due
- Report Cards Go Home
- Parent Council Meeting at 3:30pm

Tuesday, March 21

- Spellathon Test

Wednesday, March 22

- Wear Blue for World Water Day
- Assembly – 2:00 pm - 3H, 3R & 5ST

Thursday, March 23

- Student Led Conferences – No School

Friday, March 24

- Staff Learning Day – No School

March 27 - 31

- Spring Break – No School



Message from the Principal

It is so refreshing to see Spring around the corner! We look forward to having a chance to touch base with parents at Student Led Conferences on March 23rd from 1-8pm. As the year progresses, we are already making decisions pertaining to next year. You will find the 2017-18 Intention Forms coming home next week. If your plans change after you've returned the form, please notify the school of your intentions. The enrollment determines the staffing in our school, as well as classroom compositions. Have a wonderful month of March and a well-deserved Spring Break!

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Citizen Corps Recognition

This year, our citizenship recognition will be through our OP Passport where as a student will receive a passport stamp in recognition of great behaviour. The following students were recognized at the February Assembly for demonstrating strength in one of these areas:

Respectful: I show respect for myself, others, learning and property.

Ryan (KC), Vaydah (KS), Laci (1JO), Maddox (1/2JE), Lily (1HA), Tobias (1HO), Peyton (2BA), Conor & Ethan (2BE), Krista (2/3K), Brendan (3H), Amber (3R), Madison (3W), Nisma (4C), Megan & Marley (4G), Rylie (4L), Sofie & Nilah (5D), Maddyx (5F), Charlie (5ST)

Kind: Div. 1 - I am a bucket filler. Div. 2 - I make deposits rather than withdrawals to my and others' emotional bank account.

Anastasia (KC), Birkley (KS), Layla (1JO), Isadora (1/2JE), Chase (2BA), Sophie (1HO), Chaseten (2BA), Alexis (2BE), Taela ((2/3K), Jayden (3H), Myah (3R), Chloe (3W), Malia (4C), Joshua (4G), Anya (4L), Finn (5D), Mackenzie (5F), Jayden (5ST)

Proactive: I am responsible, take initiative and choose my actions, attitudes and moods.

Fahim & Reno (KS), Riley (1JO), Lance (1JE), Kaden (1HA), Danika (1HO), Jaden (2BE), Tanner (3H), Kadance (3R), Zach (3W), Keaton (4C), Austin & Kaylan (4G), Richard (4L), Austin (5D), Carter & Ty (5F), Brooklyn (5ST)

Resilient: I don't give up and try again.

Liam & Samuel (KC), Preston (KS), Whitley (1HA), Jaxon (1HO), Logan (2BA), Sophie (2BE), Evan & Jemma (2/3K), AJ (3H), Finn (3R), Nadia (3W), Zach (4C), Madeline (4G), Batol (4L), Brandt, Eric & Jeremy (5D), Josh (5ST)



Our annual fundraiser is in the form of a Spellingathon. Every child at École Oriole Park has the opportunity to collect pledges for the correct number of words spelled/and or can accept donations on the pledge sheet. Funds raised cover expenses such as:

- Field trips for each class including swimming.
- One Book, Many Schools initiative
- Awards and other student recognition programs.
- Cultural Events.

Important Spellingathon Dates

- **February 10th** - The campaign begins on!
- **March 20th** - Students will return their pledge sheets.
- **March 21st** – Spellingathon Test
- **March 22nd** - Marked pledge sheets will be returned to students.
- **April 12th** – Pledge money/donations due. Please only send in full collections, after the test is returned.
- **April 26th** – School Assembly to recognize winners

**Please note:* If a charitable tax receipt is required, a cheque must be used and made to 'École Oriole Park School'. As well, the pledge form will require a person's full address, to receive a receipt.



Super Kid Pizza Lunch

École Oriole Park School celebrated its sixth "Super Kid Lunch". Students receive "Super Kid coupons" from staff for showing respect, kindness, being proactive or resilient. A draw is held monthly and one student per grade is invited to join the principal and vice-principals for a special pizza lunch.

Congratulations to our February winners:
 KS – Colby, Gr. 1 – Maren, Gr. 2 – Eastyn, Gr. 3 – Myah, Gr. 4. –Tyle, and Gr. 5 – Hayden



Gym Open House

On March 23rd during student-led conferences the school gym will be open to all students (accompanied by their parents) to use the gymnastics equipment.



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

We have almost made it to Spring...three weeks and counting! A big thank you to all our Parent Volunteers! Your help and commitment is truly appreciated.

Up and Coming!

- We will be selling swim passes for GH Dawe and Collicutt Centre at Parent/Teacher Conferences. We will have a table set up at the office. These are sold on a first-come, first-served basis and will no longer be available once they are sold out.
- In March, we will be holding a Jump 360 fundraiser! Watch for details coming soon!
- The next Parent Council meeting is March 20th at 3:30pm in the library. Please feel free to join us. New members are always welcome!
- The Spring Fling is April 12 from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Come join us for a family evening of Dancing and a chance to win some prizes!



Boston Pizza Hot Lunch

• Thursday, March 16

Boston Pizza hosts this month's hot lunch. You can still order online at op.hotlunches.net until March 6th. To order, please visit our school website under the *Students and Parents* tab for detailed instructions.

March Is Nutrition Month!

It is important to eat a variety of colorful fruits and vegetables every day. Here are some easy strategies for getting more fruits and vegetables into our daily diets:

- Keep cleaned fruits and vegetables in the refrigerator — ready to eat.
- Serve raw vegetables with dip or dressing.
- Drink 100% fruit juice, or mix fruit juice with carbonated water instead of fruit-flavored drinks, energy drinks or pop.
- Have fruit for dessert.
- Keep a bowl of easy to eat fruits on the table.
- Enjoy fruit smoothies for breakfast or snacks.
- Pack fresh or dried fruits for quick snacks on the go.
- Provide a fruit/veggie tray as an after school snack.
- Add chopped fruit to your cereal or yogurt.



DID YOU KNOW??



Red fruits help keep your heart healthy!
Orange fruits help your immune system!
Yellow fruits help keep your eyes healthy!
Green fruits keep your bones and teeth strong!
Blue and purple fruits help with digestion!

SO...EAT A RAINBOW EVERY DAY!!