



# OES

## NEWSLETTER

### OCTOBER



As the leaves change and we embrace the fall season, we have exciting activities and events lined up for our students. This month's Character Education theme is all about belonging and inclusion. With this as our focus we are striving to ensure we are creating a positive school and classroom culture that is inclusive to our students' needs. We encourage you to stay engaged and join us in making this a memorable month for our school family. Thank you for your continued support!

### SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

When families volunteer and join in school activities, it brings our community closer together, supports student success, and creates a positive atmosphere for everyone. Your involvement really matters and shows our students that education is a team effort. We warmly invite you to get involved, whether by volunteering, attending events, or simply staying connected. Thank you for being such an important part of our school!

#### Upcoming Events:

- School Council Meeting - October 1st at 6:30 in the Learning Commons.
- Halloween Assembly - October 31st at 1:00. Please come and join us in taking part in our Halloween Assembly. We welcome you to come dressed in your best Halloween costume!
- Parent Teacher Interviews & Book Fair - November 5-6th from 4-7pm.
- Hot Lunch Preparations - [Please click the link and it will take you to the volunteer sign up form.](#)
- School Council is looking for an individual who is willing to organize their Hot Dog/Smoothie Day sales. This person is a coordinator to track orders, schedule volunteers, and supplies. This role can be done outside of school hours, so it's perfect for someone looking to get involved but may not have the most flexible of schedules. Please email [oescouncil@gmail.com](mailto:oescouncil@gmail.com) if you are interested!

### APPLE ALLY SCHOOL




Did you know that OES is an Apple Ally School? This means that we support students in making healthy choices. We create monthly challenges that focus on mental wellbeing, healthy eating, and active living! If you're looking for some nutritious alternatives for Halloween, [please click the link.](#)

### STUDENT CLUBS AND EXTRACURRICULAR

There are many opportunities for students to be involved in extra-curricular activities and clubs both during the school day and outside of regular school hours. Here are some of the clubs we have up and running:

- Lego Robotics (5-7)
- Cross Country Running (4-7)
- Golf Club (7)
- Flag Football (7)
- Handbell Club (5-7)
- Choir (3-7)
- Plant Club (4-7)
- AMA Patrollers (5-7)



Thank you to our amazing staff who volunteer their time to make these opportunities happen for our students! Please stay tuned as new opportunities come up throughout the year.

### SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



The Terry Fox run kicked off on September 13th. Students actively participated in the run/walk and then enjoyed a freezie provided by our amazing School Council!



Paisley and Aleera shared with us their gifts of Fancy Dancing at our National Truth and Reconciliation Day Assembly on September 27th. Thank you so much!



# OCTOBER CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 <b>30</b> National Truth and Reconciliation Day - No School	<b>1</b> <u>School Council Meeting at 630</u>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	 <b>4</b> Hot Dog Day  Coffee Fundraiser Due
<b>7</b> <u>School Picture Orders due with Delivery to OES</u>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> PD Day - No School for Students
 <b>14</b> Thanksgiving - No School	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	 <b>18</b> Hot Dog Day
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <u>Wear Blue and Yellow for Down-Syndrome Awareness Month</u>	<b>23</b> Pasta and Veggie Hot Lunch	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>28</b>	 <b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	 <b>31</b> Halloween Parade 1:00	<b>1</b>

## HALLOWEEN INFORMATION



- When selecting Halloween costumes to wear to school, please keep our dress code rules in mind. No excessive gore and weapons.
- Have your child come to school in their Halloween costumes.
- Please send a spare set of clothes to school in case your child wants to change out of their costume.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that October is Down Syndrome Awareness month? To learn more about how we can spread awareness and educate ourselves, please click on the link below.



Canadian Down Syndrome Society

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