



Oaklands School

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October 20, 2023

Dear Oaklands Families,

It's been a full day of professional development and learning for our staff. Many have taken part in prod sessions offered both locally and or provincially. As well, we had our own in-house collaborative work covering a variety of school initiatives such as;

- Understanding the new Reporting Order,
- Communicating student learning (Assessment Design)
- Collaborative planning that supports our school growth plans.

The following are guiding questions and goal that we are using as touchstones for keeping ourselves laser focused:

- What do we *intentionally* do as educators to ensure high levels of learning and success for *all* of our students?
- How can we use the gift of our Hands On, Hearts On Totem as a teaching tool while providing authentic opportunities for our student to engage with the Truth and Reconciliation calls to action throughout the year?
- Our goal is to improve student reading and writing skills through a focus on story and identity.

I continue to be humbled by the high level of professionalism and commitment the Oaklands staff has and I am excited to apply new learning to the daily work with our student.

Have a peaceful weekend,

Petra Eggert

Important Dates

Wednesday, October 25th

Early Dismissal - 11:50
Parent Teacher Interviews

Photo retake day

Thursday, October 26th

Parent Teacher Interviews (regular school hours)

Friday, October 27th

Costume Day

Tuesday, October 31st

Black and Orange Day

Friday, November 3

Hot Lunch-Pizza Day

Friday, November 10

Hot Lunch - Booster Juice
Remembrance Day Assembly

Monday, November 13

Remembrance Day Observed
No School

Monday, November 20

Professional Development Day
No School for Students
PAC Meeting 6:00 pm

Friday, December 1

Hot Lunch - Pizza

HOT LUNCH

<http://oaklandspac.hotlunches.net/>

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Cross Country



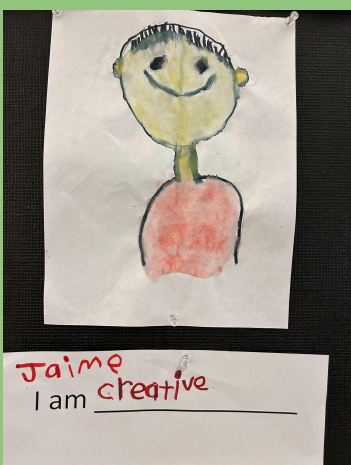
Well done to all of our Cross Country runners who ran at Lambrick Park. We are so very proud of you all for your efforts and sportsmanship at a tricky location. A special congratulations to Leo for his First Place finish!

Remember practices are Tues and Thurs at lunch.

Parents will be responsible for getting their child to and home from each race (or making arrangements with another family). We will send race maps as soon as they are provided to us.

Finals Wednesday Oct.25th Cedar Hill Corner UVIC

Coaches Mrs. Liddell and Mrs. Liss will see you there.

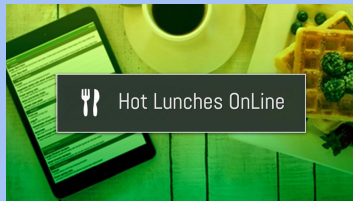


PAC NEWS

Our first bottle drive of the school year is fast approaching. Please save your cans and bottles and bring them to the staff parking lot on **Saturday, November 4th from 10:00am to 2:00pm**. This is an easy, no-sort bottle drive but please note that glass bottles must be kept separate. Help us by spreading the word to friends and family!

Thank you for your support in our donation drive. ***We raised \$3,037.00 from your generosity***, with every cent going to our school!

Booster Juice is now available to order on our Hot Lunches website. The deadline to order for our first smoothie lunch is Wednesday, November 1st at 7:00pm.



<https://oaklandspac.hotlunches.net/admin/>



Oaklands Elementary

CAN & BOTTLE DRIVE

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4
10AM - 2PM**

2827 BELMONT AVENUE

RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL

SD61 Cold and Flu Season Reminders

Dear families,

We have reached that time of the year again! It is cold and flu season.

As students return to classrooms for the new school year, as the leaves start to turn and the temperature drops, the tissues and sneezes begin to appear. Additionally, with COVID-19 circulating within our community, it is important to take extra precautions.



Please remind your child of the following important habits:

- Make sure to wash hands frequently.
- Avoid touching face, mouth, or eyes.
- Cover your mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing by leaning into your elbow or using a disposable tissue. Quickly throw away any used tissues and wash or sanitize your hands after.
- Respect the personal space bubbles of other students.
- **Stay home when sick!**

Please monitor your children daily for any cold or flu-like symptoms. In accordance with the Public Health Guidelines, students and staff are asked to stay home when sick or displaying any symptoms of sickness. If students develop symptoms throughout the day while they are at school, they will be reminded to use tissues or lean into their elbow to cover their coughs and sneezes. If required, an office staff member will contact you to arrange a pickup of your sick child. These protocols are in place to lower the risk of transmission of communicable disease and to keep our students and staff safe and healthy.

For more information on the health and safety protocols implemented in our schools go to:

[Provincial Communicable Disease Guidelines for K-12 Settings](#)

1000X5 Books Part of October Fun

Wee Ones Need Your Books



As you prepare for the end of the month celebrations with fun costumes and food, can you find a minute to locate 3 gently used books for babies and toddlers and drop them off in the pink bin by the office. These books will entertain and enrich wee ones long after the October fun has ended. **311,000 books in 12 years!! Thank you.**