



Oaklands School

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Dear Oaklands Families,

Thank you for a wonderful Open House evening. A very special thank you to Domino's Pizza, Empire Donuts, and our PAC for the food and beverages.

Today the Oaklands staff had a day of professional learning together. We revisited our commitments and goals from last year. Staff have started the process of creating a scope and sequence, K-5 for reading instruction. They worked to define what is essential learning in the curriculum and what they need so that all of our students have opportunities to experience high levels of learning.



We are wishing you all a peaceful weekend.

We're excited to welcome Tour de Rock to Oaklands on Friday October 6th. More details to come next week.



Important Dates

Friday, September 29th
School Orange Shirt Day

Monday, October 2
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
(observed)
No School

Friday, October 6th
Hot Lunch - Pizza
Tour de Rock visits Oaklands

Monday, October 9th
Thanksgiving Day (No School)

Friday, October 13th
Terry Fox Run 1:30-2:00 pm

Monday, October 16th
PAC Meeting 6:00 pm



Cross Country

The first Cross Country race will be this coming week, Tuesday September 26th, at Beckwith Park. Races begin at 3:45 starting with Grade 3 girls, running back to back, and ending with Grade 5 boys. Runners will do a short warm up with the coaches at 3:40.

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.

- Tuesday Sept. 26 Beckwith Park
- Tuesday Oct. 3 Lambrick (forward)
- Tuesday Oct. 10 Lansdowne
- Tuesday Oct. 17 Lambrick (reverse)
- Finals Wednesday Oct. 25 Cedar Hill Corner UVIC



Coaches Mrs. Liddell and Ms. Liss are excited for a great Fall Season.



Thrifty Foods Kids Run

Want to help Oaklands Elementary win \$1,000 for the school's PAC while having fun in the community, and getting some fresh air and exercise at the same time?

Anyone up to 12 years old is welcome to register as part of the Oaklands School team for the Thrifty Foods Kids Run taking place the morning of Saturday, October 7th.

This fun run will start and finish at Willows Beach Park and consists of a scenic 1km there-and-back course. The entry fee (which also gets you some goodies) is \$25 per child but parents/guardians will be able to run with their kids for free if they wish. As part of the School Challenge, the school with the most participants signed up by Friday, October 6 at 11am will win a \$1,000 prize!

Further details can be found at <https://www.runvictoriamarathon.com/kids-run> or by contacting Teresa Cinco (Team Captain) at zita3@yahoo.com. Otherwise, if you're ready, sign up here for a fun Saturday morning:

<http://raceroster.com/events/2023/65168/2023-royal-victoria-marathon/register?team=574732>

We hope to see Oaklands Olympians of all ages and abilities out there!

PAC NEWS

A huge thank you to Domino's Pizza Bay Street and Empire Donuts for very generously supplying out PAC with pizza and donuts for our Meet the Teacher Night. We were able to sell these for great prices and help raise funds for our school.

Please also consider filling out our Donation Drive form found in the PAC package your child brought home from school last week. All funds raised go directly to our school and help fund activities for our kids.

VEGGIE PROGRAM



Our school takes part in a program funded by the BC Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation, in which our students are provided fresh fruit or vegetables and milk approximately once a month. We are looking for volunteers to help distribute these items to students at 9:00am on the following days: September 26, October 24, November 7, November 28, December 12, January 23, February 6, February 27, April 16, April 30, May 14, and June 4. If you are able to help, please email us at victoria.oaklands.pac@gmail.com and indicate which day(s) you would like to sign up for. Thank you!



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