# Oaklands School

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## November 1st, 2024

Dear Oaklands School Families,

We would like to provide you with an update regarding the upcoming renovations to the 1913 building. We are pleased to announce that the construction company selected for this project is **Kenetic Construction LTD**. They will be responsible for the necessary structural upgrades and the installation of new energy-efficient HVAC systems in the affected classrooms.



It has now been confirmed that work is set to begin in <u>January 2025</u>, <u>after the winter break</u>. In anticipation of this, we will be relocating Divisions 1-9, which include our grades 5, 4, and some of our grade 3 students, to the Uplands School campus <u>Map to Uplands</u>. The remaining divisions will continue to operate at the Oaklands campus.

Divisions 1 through 9 are as follows:

- Div. 1 Ms Fisher and Ms. Polson
- Div. 2 Ms. Tessemaker
- Div. 3 Ms. Lee
- Div.4 Ms. Di Menna
- Div. 5 Mr. Dailyde
- Div. 6 Mr. Neligan
- Div. 7 Ms. Walasek
- Div. 8 Ms Scott-Moncrieff
- Div 9 Ms. Durrance

We understand that transportation is a key concern during this transition. SD61 Facilities is organizing a detailed bussing transportation plan that will be communicated shortly. Once the busing plan is communicated, I will send out a survey for families to indicate whether they will be utilizing this service for their children to get to and from the new site. We appreciate your patience as we finalize these arrangements with potential busing companies.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we work to enhance our school facilities. We are committed to keeping you informed throughout this process and will continue to provide updates as we move forward.

Warm regards,

#### Petra Eggert and Amy Polson

On traditional territories of the Lakwanan Speaking Peoples. Háýsxw þa!



### **Important Dates**

Saturday, November 2
FREE Drop-in Flu Vaccine Clinic

Oaklands Community Centre from 1:00PM-3:00PM.

**November 5th** 

Next Kernels popcorn hot lunch order deadline

https://oaklandspac.hotlunches.net/

Friday, November 8

Next Panago pizza hot lunch order deadline

https://oaklandspac.hotlunches.net/

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Remembrance Day Assembly

**Monday, November 11** 

Remembrance Day
No School

Friday, November 15

Hot Lunch - Booster Juice

Saturday, November 16

Fall Garden Clean-up and Bottle
Drive Fundraiser
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**Tuesday, November 19** 

Hot Lunch - Kernels Popcorn

Friday, November 22

Professional Development Day
No School for Students

December 4 - 5

Oaklands Book Fair In the Library

**Thursday, December 5** 

Winter Concert Primary Grades Congratulations to Oaklands Fall Cross Country Runners! Students wrapped up this season with the final races at UVic last Monday. There were over 700 participants! We are so proud of everyone's commitment, athleticism and sportsmanship.

Special shout out to Jay who won 1st and Jake Meechan who won 3rd in the city for grade 5 boys! And also Ben Meechan for 2nd place grade 3 boy!

Hope to see lots of runners joining Spring Cross country next year.













Thank you, Coaches Ms. Liddell and Ms. Liss

### **Oaklands PAC News**

#### **UPCOMING PAC ACTIVITIES**

#### November 1st

Registration opens for Oaklands Community Association Winder Camps

Oaklands Community Association - Oaklands Community Association

#### FREE Drop-in Flu Vaccine clinic - Saturday, November 2nd

Save time trying to secure a flu vaccine for your family by coming to the PAC flu clinic.

- → First come, first served.
- → Please bring your Personal Health Number/CareCard.
- → At Oaklands Community Centre from 1:00PM-3:00PM.

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#### Fall Garden Clean Up and Bottle Drive Fundraiser - November 16th

Connect with the community and join us in cleaning up the school's courtyard community garden.

- → Save your bottles and donate to the PAC fundraiser bottle drive in the school parking lot.
- → The Fall Garden Clean Up will take place in the Oaklands Elementary Courtyard garden (access from the entrance behind the Oaklands Community Centre)
- → Both events will be from 9:00AM-12:00PM.

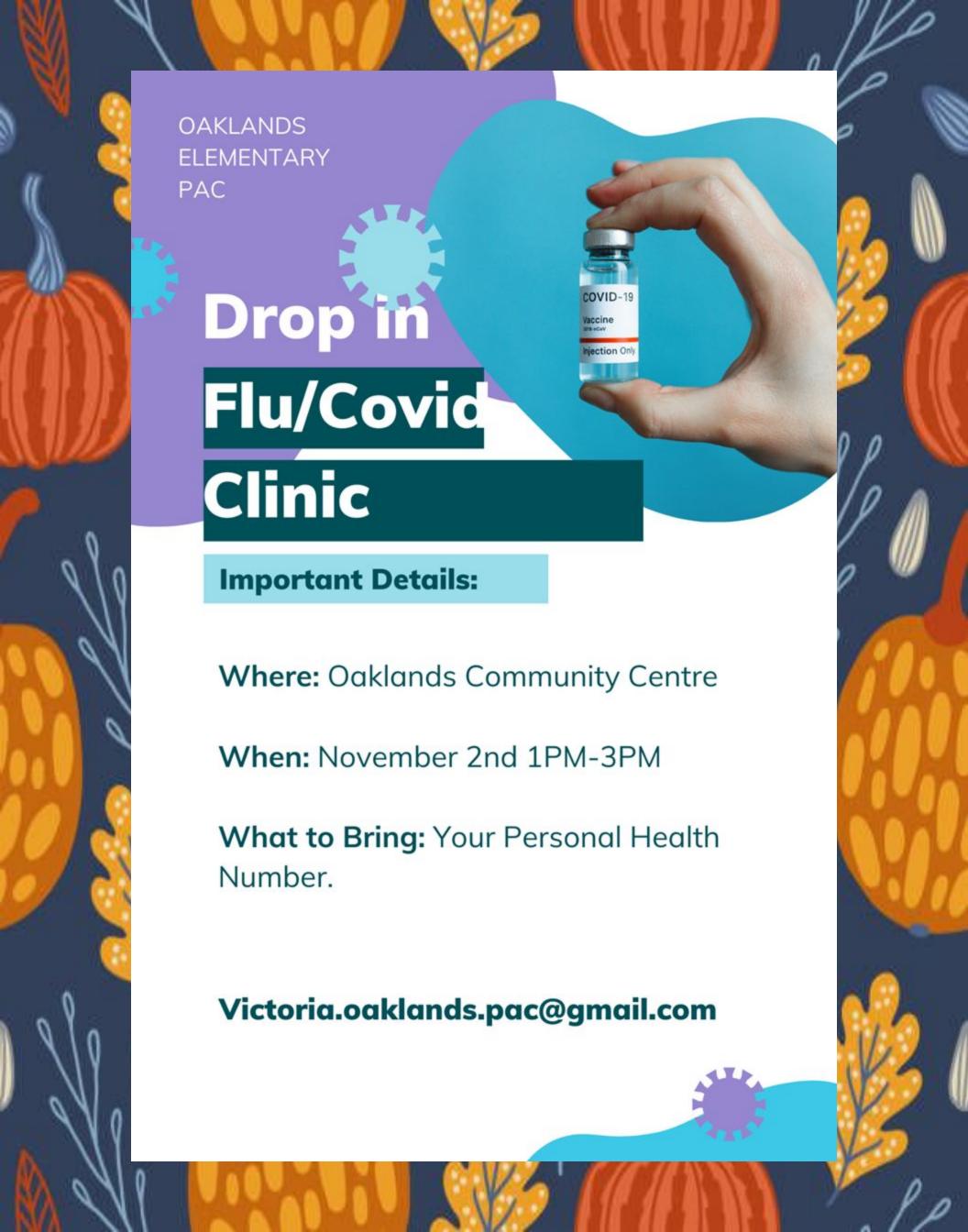
\*\*\*Time correction - NOT 9:00AM-3:00PM as previously advertised\*\*\*

### MAKE AN IM-PAC-T: 🙋

Oaklands' family and staff volunteering and participation powers the PAC. Families can help in a variety of ways.

- Volunteer Hour: If you have an hour to spare, we welcome one-off volunteers to deliver meals (mid-week mornings or Friday over lunch hour) volunteersignup.org/9WAPY
- Join our Facebook page: Get updates on what is happening in and around the school (request to join the <u>Oaklands Elementary PAC</u> private group)

With gratitude,
Your Oaklands PAC



**Thank you** to our Oaklands **PAC** for a SPOOKTACULAR Halloween evening of magic, food, dancing, and connecting with our community.













