

OVS Newsletter

January Edition



Principal's Message

Happy New Year everyone! Even though it's freezing outside, things continue to heat up with all of the activities going on at Oakville School.

Kindergarten to grade 3 students are having a blast with the floor hockey intramurals going on at noon hour. The grade 8's are the organizers and referees and they make sure that everything is running smoothly.

Our curlers continue to have a lot of success with their Monday and Tuesday games. They are working very well as a team and are making some pretty incredible shots.

The Panther basketball teams are at about the half way point of their season. Their hard work at practice is starting to pay off. They continue to put forth their best effort on the court each game.

The grade 7's and 8's are currently learning the art of Batiking from our Smarts guest, Tanice Mattice. Batiking involves creating images on cloth by using wax and dyes. We are looking forward to seeing the finished products next month.

At this time we would like to wish Mrs. Tully the best of luck as she prepares to go on maternity leave for a year. We would like to extend a very special welcome to Mr. Mark Essay who will be joining OVS in mid-February and will be here until the end of June.

That's all for now. Let's keep our finger crossed that temperatures start to go on the rise soon so that we can get back outside for our recesses.

****January Exams** - Gr. 8 will not be doing "mock" exams. The time is needed to stay on pace with the math "pacing guides" and to provide more time for ELA instruction.

****Microwave Reminder**

Please remember to send items that only require 1 or 2 minutes of heating to help prevent long lineups for microwave usage.

You are cordially invited to attend the Portage la Prairie School Division's annual Public Budget consultation Meeting and Combined Divisional Open House, to be held at Portage Collegiate Institute (West Building)

February 20, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Jan	Important Dates
29	Grade 5, 5/6, & 7's Feld Trip to Winnipeg
30	Leadership @ MCIC
31	Citrus Fruit Orders due
Feb	'I LOVE TO READ MONTH'
6	Kindergarten Registration –Please call the school to arrange appointment times (No Classes for Kindergarten)
15 & 19	Citrus fruit pick up: Friday & Tuesday Feb. 15th & 19th from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
18	Louis Riel Day (School closed)
19	Festival du Voyageur (Gr. 8 students)
20	Public Budget Mtg. @ PCI West 6:00pm
22	K—12 School PD No Classes
Feb. 28	School Assembly 2:50p.m. Everyone Welcome
Mar 4	K—8 Admin Day—no classes for students
13	Grade 7 & 8 Trip to the Career Symposium
14	Parent/Teacher Interviews 5:00—8:00 p.m.
15	Parent/Teacher Interviews 10:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m. (no classes for students)

Secondary Story Headline

Important Information for Parents regarding Attendance for Students

To improve communication between home and school regarding attendance, PLPSD schools across our division this year have been sending letters home after 5, 10, and 20 absences. The letters include the number of days absent, both excused and unexcused. Further communication may be necessary and plans made to improve student attendance. Research shows that there is a direct link between academic success and student attendance. Please support us in our efforts to ensure the very best for your child.

K Registration

Kindergarten registration at Oakville School will be held **Wednesday, February 6th**. We ask that if you have a child eligible to register for Kindergarten or know of new families that have moved into the area that have children eligible for Kindergarten to let the school know so that we can prepare for next year.

Back Page Story Headline

The Prairie Sounds Festival is scheduled for **April 23 - 26, 2019 (entry deadline February 21)**

We will once again have adjudication in piano, choral, vocal and speech arts. The speech arts program starts at the kindergarten level for poetry and Grade 1 for prose. Awards are presented at the local level and students from grade 4 and up may be recommended to the provincial level. The registration form is on our website (). Most schools have a set of the Speech Arts handbooks which detail the poems and readings for each level/category. If you need assistance filling out the Class Number and finding the correct poem, please contact Pat McRae at 204-239-7089.

From the LIBRARY :

February is "I Love to Read Month"

**Celebrating Books for I Love to Read Month.

*Book Exchange for Gr. 1- 5

*Reading to The Seniors

*I Love to Read Kindergarten Calendar

*Guest Readers welcomed to OVS

*A letter will go home ahead of time to keep you informed.



Girl Guides

For more than 100 years, Girl Guides of Canada has been the leading organization dedicated solely to girls. Today's Guiding program helps girls learn about global and cultural awareness, career exploration, science and technology and the arts. Girls participate in environmental projects and explore important issues such as bullying, self-esteem and body image.

We are looking for adult volunteers to join our team!

For more information call **204-775-3003** or go online **www.girlguides.ca**.

Le coin francais

Did you know that learning an additional language promotes cultural awareness and competency?

For more information about the benefits of second language learning, please follow the link

www.frenchforlife.ca



February 2nd

Hope he doesn't see his shadow!!

Local artist, Tanice Mattice will be working with the Grade 7 & 8 students occasionally from now until spring break on an art technique called Batik. They will be learning about Indigenous culture and symbols through this experience.



Leadership Corner

Greetings from the Leadership Team!

The Citrus Fruit Orders are being taken by the Leadership Team. People of Oakville and the surrounding area should get a call, if not already from our team.

If for some reason you have been missed, please call or e-mail 204- 267-2733 /dmekkes@plpsd.mb.ca to place your order with the school. e-transfers are welcome.

A fund-raising bake sale will be taking place near Valentines day, more information to come soon.

Our next spirit day will be February the 21st, and our school will be participating in Hawaiian day.

Citrus Fruit Orders

Leadership and Fine Arts students are taking orders for citrus fruit. *Orders must be in to the school office by Fri. Jan. 31st.

40 lb. box of Oranges/Grapefruit \$60.00

20 lb. box of Oranges/Grapefruit \$30.00

10 lb. box of Oranges/Grapefruit \$15.00

Citrus fruit pick up will be;

Friday, Feb. 15th from 8:00am-4:00pm

Tuesday, Feb.19th from 8:00am-4:00pm



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NUTRITION LETTER

www.rha-central.mb.ca/newsletters.php?cat=3

Oakville School is very proud to announce...

Congratulations to OVS' educational assistant Cecile Comte on receiving recognition from the Manitoba Council for Exceptional Children for her work and dedication to students.

