



Oakwood Public School

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April 2017 Newsletter



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Message from the Principal

April is finally here! I'm sure everyone is looking forward to consistent warmer temperatures and longer daylight hours. With the better weather, bicycles, scooters and skateboards come out and the kids need to be reminded about safety in the streets.

There are a number of events happening in the school this month, including badminton, Heritage Fair, Scientists in the Classroom, Mad Science, Earth Day and the Vendor Fair.

Education is the cornerstone which drives us each and every day. Oakwood takes great pride in educating our students so they will have the tools to be successful, productive and positive members of an ever changing and fast-paced society.

Mr. Hawkey



From the Eagles Nest...

Join us **Saturday, April 29, from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.** for our first Vendor Fair! We have a variety of vendors booked, such as: Tupperware; Scentsy; Avon; Heavens Chocolates; Soothing Petals; some wood-crafts; crocheted items and many more! As well, there will be a raffle table with items supplied by our vendors.

We are also busy working on the Vesey's fundraiser. You have already received a catalogue filled with bulbs and seeds for your garden. If you require more order forms, please ask your classroom teacher. **Please have all orders returned to the school by Wednesday, April 5th.**

Thanks for your support!

Our next meeting is

Tuesday April 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcomed to attend!



What's Up... April 2017

- 3-Gr 7 Gambling Workshop
- 4-Gr 8 Gambling Workshop
- 4- Heritage Fair
- 5-Vesey's Bulb Orders due
- 6-Pizza Lunch
- 7-CNP Electrical Safety Presentation
- 10-14 Spirit Week
- 12 Mad Science Presentations
- 13-Special Easter Lunch
- 13-Easter Raffle Draw
- 13-Easter Egg Hunt -Primary's
- 19- Niagara Symphony Orchestra Quartet Performance
- 20-Harvey's Hamburger Lunch
- 21 Earth Day -Activity Day
- 25-Heritage Fair @ Fort George
- 25-School Council Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- 26-Grade 7/8 Pasta Night @ PCHS
- 27-Pizza Lunch
- 27-Laser Tag Dance @ PCHS for Gr 7/8's
- 28-Badminton Tournament @ PCHS for Gr 7/8's
- 29-Vendor Fair -10am-3pm



Special Easter Lunch - Thursday April 13th

We are planning a special lunch for Thursday April 13th, for all Oakwood students.

The lunch will be funded through Niagara Nutrition Partners.

More details to follow next week.



Electricity Safety & Conservation Presentation

Friday, April 7th

Presented by

Canadian Niagara Power



Heritage Fair

On April 4th, parents are invited to view the brilliant projects that our students have worked so hard on, over the past number of weeks.

Place: Oakwood School gymnasium
Time: 4:00 p.m.—5:30 p.m.

You won't want to miss this, so please plan to attend!

Earth Day Activities –Friday, April 21st

To promote awareness and conservation of our environment Oakwood students will participate in a variety of activities. Some are going on a nature hike, while others will help the environment by participating in a yard clean up. Another group will be going to Woodend Conservation area, joining in with other schools to experience Earth Day programming and everything that this great venue has to offer. Together we can make a difference!



Chocolate Bar Fundraiser

A huge thank-you to all of our students and their families for supporting this year's Chocolate Bar Fundraiser. Once again, it was very successful. Each of our sellers went home with a chocolate easter bunny.

A special congratulations to our top sellers;

Leah Jensen Hotte - 1st place (5lb chocolate bar and a \$50 Cineplex Odion card)

Daphnei Kenny - 2nd place (5 lb chocolate bar and a \$25 I-Tunes card)

Kinsley Bell - 3rd place (small assortment of chocolate bars)



SPIRIT WEEK

Student Council is busy planning a Spirit Week scheduled for April 10-14. As usual, it should be a fun and exciting week for all!

Monday - Favourite wacky sock day

Tuesday - Gum Day - chew your favourite gum today (\$1.00 donation)

Wednesday - Bunny ears day

Thursday - PJ Day

There will be a Easter Movie provided for each class in the gym on Thursday and a small Easter egg hunt for our Primary Division.



Easter Basket Raffle Draw

Our annual Easter Basket Raffle Draw will take place on April 13th. This year we will draw 3 lucky tickets.

1st prize	Enormous chocolate Easter basket
2nd prize	5lb chocolate bar
3rd prize	Chocolate Easter basket

Tickets are as follows:

1.00 each
\$2.00 for 5 tickets
\$5.00 for a sheet of 18 tickets



A sheet of tickets are attached to this newsletter for your convenience.

Track & Field Season



We are not far off from Track and Field season. We will be holding our annual meet at Port Colborne High School on May 4th and 5th. We are always in need of volunteers to help this day. A form will be sent home. We hope you can help us this day!

Mad Science



Students will once again have the opportunity to participate in Mad Science this spring. On Wednesday, April 12th, Mad Scientists will be here getting kids excited about science with fun, entertaining and exciting activities and demonstrations. More information about the program will be sent home with students at that time.



Youth Citizen Finalist

A big shout out for Turner Clarke. Turner was recognized at a recent Port Colborne Chambers of Commerce event held at the Italian Hall for his outstanding contributions and participation within the community. This event recognizes Port Colborne's top local businesses and citizens each year. We are very proud that Turner has been recognized by the community for all his dedication and hard work. Congratulations Turner !

Niagara Symphony Orchestra Quartet

Our students are fortunate to have the privilege to see first hand the talented Niagara Symphony Orchestra Quartet on Wednesday, April 19th. The quartet will visit our school for a special performance to showcase local talent and to promote interest in the arts.



Keeping your child's teeth healthy

Children can receive a free fluoride varnish application from the Niagara Region Public Health dental program. Fluoride varnish is a protective coating that is painted onto the teeth with a tiny brush. It helps reduce cavities if applied twice a year.

Why do we recommend fluoride varnish?

Tooth decay is the number one chronic disease of children

In the 2015/2016 school year over 25,000 school-aged children were screened by Public Health. 39 per cent of those school-aged children were identified having as having cavities.

Untreated cavities can lead to difficulties eating and sleeping, self-esteem issues, decreased school performance and attendance, pain, discomfort, infection and poor overall health

Fluoride is not added to Niagara's drinking water

Tips to keep your child's teeth healthy...

Brush teeth **two times** per day

Use a pea-sized portion of **fluoride** toothpaste

Spend **two minutes** brushing each time with help from an adult

Floss daily

Provide a healthy diet and limit sugary drinks, sticky candy and snacks. **Water is best.**

Schedule regular dental checkups at least once a year (cleaning, fluoride varnish application and sealants).

For more information on dental services and programs please call the Dental Health Line at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7399 or visit www.niagararegion.ca/health.



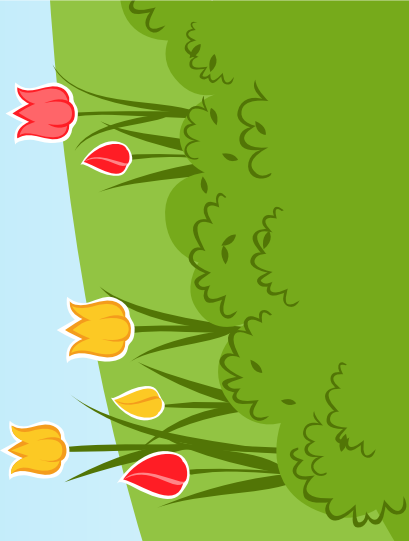
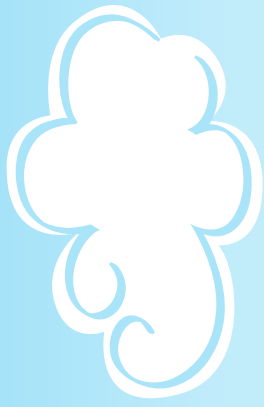
REMEMBER TOOTH DECAY IS A PREVENTABLE DISEASE!

School Cash On-line

If you haven't signed up already, we hope you will consider this easy and convenient way to pay for hot lunches, school trips and special events, as well as permission forms etc.




















Visit our school website and click on "School Cash Online". There you'll find more information about the system, links to registration and support. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.





April 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
02	03	04	05	06	07	08
	Gr 7 Gambling Workshop	Heritage Fair Gr 8 Gambling Workshop	Bulb Orders Due	Pizza	CNP Electrical Safety	
Spirit Week April 10 th -14 th						
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Favourite Socks	Gum Day	Bunny Ears	Special Lunch Easter Raffle Draw Primary Easter Egg Hunt PJ & Movie Day	Good Friday - schools are closed	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Easter Monday -schools are closed		NSO Quartet	Hamburgers	Earth Day Activities	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Heritage Fair @ Fort George	Gr 7/8 Pasta Night @ PCHS	Pizza Gr 7/8 Laser Tag Dance @PCHS	Gr 7/8 Badminton Tournament @ PCHS	
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