



OAKWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Achieving Success Together

Month End Wrap Up - Oct. 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

- Nov. 1—Milk program begins
- Nov. 2—Gr. 8 Visit to PCHS
- Nov. 4—Photo Re-take Day
- Nov. 10—Pizza Hut Lunch
- Nov. 11—Remembrance Day
- Nov. 15—Archie's Sub Lunch
- Nov. 17—Progress Reports & Kindergarten Communication of Learning sent home
- Nov. 25—PD Day
- Nov. 21-25—Parent Teacher Interviews week
- Nov. 24—Harvey's Lunch



STUDENT of the MONTH

This year, we are continuing to focus our student of the month recognition around the **LEARNING SKILLS** from the Report Card. These are the characteristics and behaviours that help promote success for students both at school and in the real world. We will be reviewing what these look like in classrooms and helping our students to develop these important skills. For October we focused on the learning skill of **Responsibility**.

- K1 - Charlotte & Blaine
- K2—Nora T. Arian V. & Lillian E.
- Gr. 1/2S — Raven C. & Julian T.
- Gr. 1/2T — Bryson C. & Logan H.
- Gr. 3/4 — Brooklyn S.
- Gr. 4/5— Elliot S.
- Gr. 5/6— Brooklyn A.
- Gr. 6/7—Bentley M. & Nathan H.
- Gr. 7/8 — Jocelyn & Shyden J.
- FSP—Nathan C.

For November the learning skill focus for students will be on **ORGANIZATION!**



SCHOOL COUNCIL

SANTA'S LITTLE HELPERS FUNDRAISER!

School Council's build, repair and care for school playgrounds across the province. These are not funded by the Ministry of Education or the School Board. After Covid, the Oakwood playground fund has dipped to very low levels and our School Council members are looking for your support for their first fundraiser in a few years. They are bringing back Santa's Little Helpers in a new, entirely online format. All catalogues and orders are online.

If you don't have access to technology and would like to browse or order—please contact the office so that we can help you! The campaign runs from the beginning of November until Nov. 21st! This timeframe ensures that any orders arrive before Christmas! Please do a little shopping and support Oakwood's Council at the same time! Thank you!

<https://fundraising101.ca/fall-2022-fundraiser-39.html>

The link above will be available on the Oakwood School webpage! A flyer specific to the fund-raiser will also come home to all families this week!

The ELEMENTARY PROGRESS REPORT - Grades 1 - 8 students & Kindergarten Communication of Learning

On November 17th your child will bring home their Elementary Progress Report or Kindergarten Communication of Learning. Although it looks much like the Report Card, the Progress Report has a very different intent. The purpose is to share early and specific feedback on your child's development of work habits and the learning skills.

Reporting on the Progress Report is about looking forward and setting a course for the learning journey ahead. Based on the



evidence that teachers see, as well as what teachers know about learning at this grade level, the report communicates the path your child is on toward achieving the grade level expectations by the end of the year. The Progress Report does not include letter grades or percentage marks for academic subjects; it instead identifies whether your child is progressing very well, well or with difficulty. For subjects in which your child is Progressing with Difficulty, the teacher will outline specific **next step** plans needed for success.



A letter outlining how to book parent teacher interviews online will be coming home early next week! We look forward to partnering with you and your child for a year of great learning and growth. Parent Teacher Interviews will be offered during the week of November 21-25th. In person interviews will be offered outside of the instructional school day. Phone or virtual interviews will also be available at a mutually convenient pre-arranged time!

CLOCKS FALL BACK

A reminder that clocks fall back an hour on November 6th!

SAFE AND HEALTHY SCHOOLS

If you have a child with a Prevalent Medical Condition (Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes, and/or Epilepsy) we want to make sure we have a current Plan of Care to support your child. All parents of children with new Prevalent Medical Conditions have been asked to fill out the new Plan of Care and submit to the school. If you have received forms for your child—please complete them and send them back as soon as possible! If you require forms, you can download the forms at dsbn.org/prevalent-medical-conditions. For more information, please contact the school.

JUNIOR CO-ED SOCCER

Congratulations to the Oakwood junior co-ed soccer team. They participated in the junior tournament at EL Crosley secondary school and played exceptionally well throughout the day and went undefeated in round robin play. In the semi-finals they stunned Steele Str. School with a victory in shootouts and almost won in the championships through a shootout as well! Every team member played well, demonstrated great sportsmanship and represented Oakwood in a positive manner. Congratulations to Ryland, Brayden, Shea, Nathan, Lyric, Brock, Sophie, Alexis, Chavondra, Temperance, Colbie and Rylee. Special thanks to our Eagles coaches Mme Maurice and Mr. Tonnies and our many parent volunteer drivers!

OAKWOOD CROSS COUNTRY

Oakwood had great representation during the DSBN Cross Country Season. Twenty Oakwood Eagles practiced regularly during late September and early October and raced their best at the regional qualifying meets. Three Eagles runners qualified for the DSBN Championship! On October 13th, these Eagles soared to 3rd, 22nd and 34th finish for the entire DSBN. Brayden, Nathan and Kayden deserve a big shout-out for representing Oakwood at such a high level. These Eagles also deserve recognition for their displays of Oakwood spirit and sportsmanship at the regional level: Jaxon, Aubrey, Kinsley, Corbin, Nate, Justin, Jordan, Brooklyn, Colbie, Elliot, Cru, Braydon, Josslyn, Grace, Sariah and Sophie. Thank you to Mr. Hockley and Mr. Montgomery for coaching and to our many parent drivers for helping get our team to the races!

INTERMEDIATE CO-ED SOCCER

Our Intermediate soccer team participated in a tournament at EL Crossley. After a very close round robin schedule, our Eagles team advanced to the "C" championship game. As the other school was unable to complete the game, the EAGLES were declared "Division C" champions!

We are extremely proud of the growth, dedication, and team bonding that was observed over the season. As we have many returning players next season, we look to build on our experiences from this year. Congratulations to Neveah, Kendra, Lawna, Madison, Savannah, McKenna, Owen, Mathew, Malekai, Bentley, Landan, Jett, Konner, Oakin, Micah, Ayden, Noah and Tanner. Thank you to Mr. Wilson for coaching and our many parent drivers for helping to move the team!

PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

Picture re-takes will take place on the morning of November 4th. If you would like your child to have their school photos re-taken taken, please ensure that you put a note in their agenda requesting photo re-takes. Thanks!

LATES

If you know that your child is going to be late or absent please contact the office in advance of the entry bell. Please note, when a student is late, he/she must report to the office to ensure that the daily attendance reflects their arrival! (please note that this is also the routine for kindergartens who arrive after the bell, but before the students head indoors. As the kindergarten gate is closed after the bell, students arriving late, will sign in and enter the school through the main doors with their late slips.

SHOES

We are reminding parents to send an indoor pair of shoes to school for all children. Students will **not** be permitted to wear their wet/ muddy outdoor shoes within the building. Ideally indoor shoes are running shoes, which can be utilized for physical education. Students must have running shoes to be permitted to participate in physical education classes! Please send your children's shoes (with non-marking soles) in quickly! Also note that boots are not permitted on the playground structures for student safety!

RAINY DAY GAMES & CLASSROOM BOOKS

The school is always looking for indoor activities for these inclement weather types of days. Decks of Cards, Uno, checkers, chess & many other Board games or building toys are always popular items. When you start cleaning out your toy shelves, think of donating your gently used games, books or puzzles to the school - we can always make good use of them! The same can also be said of books that your children have outgrown that are still in good condition. A school can never have enough reading material and we will take what you no longer need off your hands!

