

# OAKWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

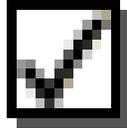
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## Achieving Success Together

### Month End Wrap Up - Oct. 2021

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 18th—Progress Reports Home  
Nov. 19th—PD Day  
Nov. 22-26th—Virtual or Phone Interviews for Progress Reports & Kindergarten Communication of Learning



#### 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. Each month, teachers will be reviewing what these goals look like in classrooms and helping our students to develop these important skills. For October our focus has been on **RESPONSIBILITY!**

- K1 - Cayus H., Mason O.
  - K2- Korbin A., Liam R., Liam D.
  - Gr. 1 — Julian T.
  - Gr. 2/3 — Travis C., Abigail D.
  - Gr. 3/4 — Autumn M-L., Kaiden H.
  - Gr. 4/5— Nathan H., Nate N.
  - Gr. 5/6— Ryland D., Dylan L.
  - Gr. 7/8 — Hailey W., Kieran R., Emma R.
  - FSP — Ryen S.
- For NOVEMBER the focus will be on **ORGANIZATION!**



#### COVID ACTIVE SCREENING

As directed by Public Health, it is mandatory that all **students** and **staff** complete their individual COVID screening prior to coming to school each day. For the Health and well-being of all it would be appreciated if this screening was completed at home daily.

Thank you to those family members who role model wearing their masks while they are NOT social distancing while dropping off or picking up students at school. It helps our students understand that 'we are in this together' when we all 'walk the talk'!

#### SCHOOL SPIRIT!

Orders for our Oakwood Swag are wrapping up soon. To purchase school clothing, follow the link on the Oakwood School web-page. Orders wrap up on Nov. 11th, and items will arrive in time for Christmas gifts!

#### LATES

If you know that your child is going to be late or absent please record this using the School Messenger App., or contact the office in advance of the entry bell. **Please note, when a student is late (after 8:35 bell), he/she must report to the office prior to going to his/her classroom to obtain a late slip, which must then be presented to his/her teacher.** (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 will now be locked after the bell, students arriving late, will be required to sign in and enter the school through the main doors by the office to receive their late slips.



#### Kindergarten Communication of Learning: Initial Observations and The Elementary Progress Report for students in Grades 1 - 8

On November 18, students in Kindergarten will bring home the Communication of Learning Initial Observations report. This provides parents/guardians with an overview of the initial observations of their child's learning and early evidence of growth in learning related to the overall expectations in the Kindergarten Program. It also provides information about appropriate next steps to further your child's learning. It serves as the basis for discussion with parents/guardians and as a support for parents'/guardians' ongoing participation in their child's learning. Also, on November 18, parents of students in Grades 1-8 will receive their Elementary Progress Reports. 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 towards 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 discuss specific next step plans needed for success. Progress reports are intended to be part of discussions, interviews, or conferences with students and are part of ongoing communication with parents and students about student achievement throughout the year. We look forward to partnering with you and your child for a year of great learning and growth.

#### SHOES

With cold and wet weather on its way, 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! If you haven't already, please send your children's spare shoes in quickly!

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

If you have missed the first few meetings but would still like to know more about Council, please contact the school. We meet virtually the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm. Thank you in advance for your continued support of these endeavours! Our next meeting is on Nov. 23rd at 6:30pm! New faces and helping hands are always welcome!

## PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

Picture re-takes will take place on Nov. 17th. If you would like your child to have their school photos re-taken, please ensure that you put a note in their agenda requesting photo re-takes. Some have asked about class photos—please note that all class photos will be composites made up of individual photos which will be created after our re-take day! Thanks!

## INTERMEDIATE CO-ED SOCCER

The Eagles Intermediate CoEd Soccer team visited Port Colborne high-school to compete in a soccer festival on the new turf field. Mr. Wilson, the coach was extremely proud of his player's hard work and commitment to each other! He wanted to give a shout out to the team members who received compliments from other teams on how kindly they treated injured players on the field and interacted with other players. Way to go Eagles! Special shout-outs to Boston who scored on a breakaway and a penalty shot and Blake the goaltender who made many spectacular saves! Be proud Eagles, you went above and beyond in all categories during the tournament and we are so proud of you for playing your very best!



# Pathstone's Immediate Services Program supports you in THREE ways



### #1 Call Crisis & Support line

Open 24/7 at 1-800-263-4944



### #2 Video Counselling Session

Call 1-800-263-4944 to make a same day, or advance appointment Monday-Friday.



### #3 In-Person Walk-In Clinic Session

At ANY of our 9 locations across Niagara  
Call 1-800-263-4944 to make a same day, or advance appointment Monday-Friday.

## In-Person Walk-In Clinics

**MONDAY**  
Thorold - Thorold Public Library  
Welland - John Howard Building

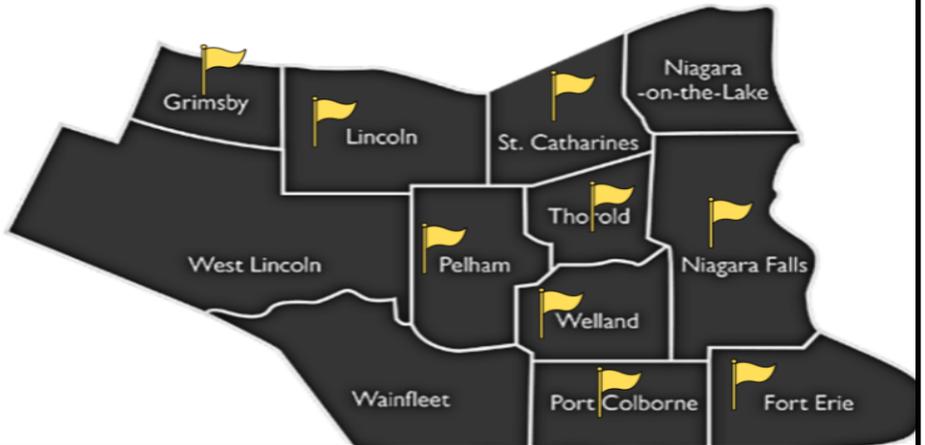
**TUESDAY**  
Fort Erie - Bridges Community Health Centre  
Pelham/Fonthill - Meridian Community Centre

**WEDNESDAY**  
Grimsby - Grimsby Public Library  
Port Colborne - Bridges Community Health Centre

**THURSDAY**  
Beamsville - The Fleming Centre  
Niagara Falls - Niagara Falls Community Health Centre

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**  
St. Catharines - The Branscombe Centre

**Video Counselling**  
Available **MONDAY - FRIDAY** from ANYWHERE.  
\*\*By Appointment ONLY\*\*



## You can help Niagara remain open

As Ontario reopens, get vaccinated and continue to practise behaviours to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

You can get your vaccine if you were born in 2009 or earlier. Book an appointment or walk-in at a Public Health clinic.

Vaccination information

Reopening Ontario

## Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Info-Line

Talk to a public health professional

- 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074, press 7, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
- Chat online in 90 different languages with auto-translate, daily 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
- COVID-19 Info-Line wait times
- Physicians and primary care providers
- For vaccine information, call the Provincial Information Line at 1-888-999-6488