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Orchard Park Public School

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

CONGRATULATIONS to our Cross-Country runners. TVDSB Finals took place last week and our students represented Orchard Park with pride! Thank you to our coaches and parents for supporting our students throughout the cross-country season.

Basketball season has begun. Our basketball team is practicing several times a week and playing games at a variety of schools within our region. Good luck to our team! We are cheering you on!

All classes had the opportunity to participate in School Bus Safety Week with a presentation and activities promoting safety when riding a bus. Talk to your children about what they have learned through these sessions provided by STS and Buster the Bus.

The PD Day on October 11th provided our staff with a professional learning opportunity to focus on literacy and school improvement planning. November 15th is a PA Day to support conversations with our families around progress reports. All progress reports will be going home on November 8th.

We are excited about our first Book Fair of the school year beginning November 4th. Our choirs are busy practicing and preparing for our Remembrance Day service on November 11th. Looking forward to another busy month of learning ahead! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks.
Mrs. Tait

COLOUR HOUSE TOURNAMENT

On **Friday, October 18th** we held our first Colour House Tournament of the year. We had great weather and lots of fun playing all the games the grade 8 students created.

The student's favourite game of the event was the Orange team's spin on Capture the Flag.

The third place winners were the **Orange Team**, the **Green** and **Red** Teams tied for second place, and the **champions were the Yellow Team**.

A special Team Spirit Award went out to the Red Team and the **special Sportsmanship Award goes out to the Blue Team**. It was a great day and lots of fun for everyone!

Go Bears!



Upcoming Dates:

Monday November 4-7th - Scholastic Book Fair

Monday November 4th - Home & School/School Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Monday November 11th - Remembrance Day

Thursday November 14th - Colour House Colour Day

Friday November 15th - PA Day



BULLYING PREVENTION UPDATE

November 17th-23rd, 2024 is Bullying Prevention and Awareness Week in Ontario. The Thames Valley District School Board has chosen to focus the week on **Cyberbullying**. This week is an opportunity for students, school staff, and families to learn more about cyberbullying, its effects on student learning, and how we can all help stop it. We know that fostering safe and positive learning environments is everyone's responsibility.

Scan the QR code to learn more about the TVDSB Bullying Prevention Framework 'The Essential Conditions for Learning'.	MediaSmarts is a Canadian not-for-profit charitable organization. They have numerous resources related to cyberbullying and more!	Scan the QR code and consider viewing a cyber safety workshop.

SCHOOL SCHEDULE

School Starts	9:00 a.m.
Morning Recess	10:20-10:35 a.m.
Lunch	11:55 a.m. - 12:55 p.m.
Afternoon Recess	2:15- 2:30 p.m.
Dismissal	3:30 p.m.

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ORCHARD PARK HOME & SCHOOL

Next Home and School meeting will be on
Monday, November 4th, at 6:30 pm.

Hot lunch orders can be made by 12pm every Sunday. Please visit LUNCHBOXORDERS.NET

The infamous White Elephant Sale will be coming in the next month, all sales are going to a music department maintenance fund. We ask everyone to start looking around thier homes for new and gently used items for donation. More information to come.

Next hot Lunch Dates:

Wednesdays: Dominos Pizza Lunch

Thursday November 14th: Marble Slab

Tuesday November 19th: Subway Lunch

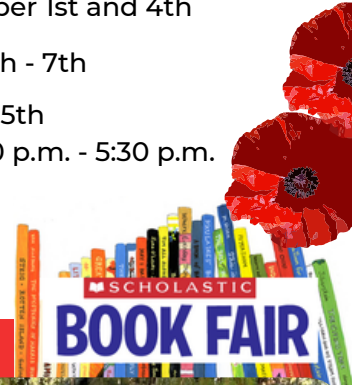
Save the Date: BOOK FAIR NOVEMBER 1ST - 7TH

Student viewing days: November 1st and 4th

Purchasing days: November 5th - 7th

Family purchasing: November 5th
from 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

-Mrs. Elliott, Teacher-Librarian



ORCHARD PARK

Cross Country

Our Orchard Park Bears participated in the TVDSB Regional Cross Country Meet with noteworthy results.

Please congratulate Julianne E., Lane C., Michael S. and Liam B. who competed in the finals at Fanshawe Conservation Area on October 22nd.

Way to go Bears!

-Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Riehl and Mrs. Bojmelgrin, Coaches



CHARACTER TRAIT - STUDENT RECOGNITION

Each month at Orchard Park Public School, teachers nominate two students from each class who display the character traits of that month.

These nominated students are recognized with certificates at our monthly assembly.

November's Character Trait is

COURAGE

BASKETBALL IS IN THE AIR...

We continue to celebrate our basketball team's great spirit, remarkable growth and impressive hustle! Our athletes finish their regular season this month, plus head into regional playoffs later in November. Go Bears!

-Mrs. Corsaut and Mr. Kuiack

