



PARENTSPEAK

Dates to remember:	December 13 – Parent Council meeting, 7pm, in the school library December 15 – Blizzard Bazaar, 5-8pm
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The OCDSB wants parent feedback on whether schools should offer single track (only English or only French immersion) or dual track (both English & French Immersion/Middle Immersion at the same school) systems. **The parent council strongly encourages you to fill out the survey** to let the board know if you prefer single or dual track schools. Survey results will help the board decide how to deliver different programs at our schools. **The survey deadline is December 13.** Please click on the link below, read the info provided by the board, and complete the survey.



<http://www.ocdsb.ca/sch/as/Elementary%20School%20Program%20Framework/Pages/default.aspx>

We'll discuss what single/dual track might mean to Hopewell PS at the next parent council meeting, on December 13th, at 7pm in the library. You can also check out this OSCA article to find out more:

<http://www.olderottawasouth.ca/oos/community-news/3548-elementary-school-program-framework-consultation>



Please remember to order lunches at least a week ahead of time (or sooner)!

To order, go to hopewell.hotlunches.net, click on the Register button (top right), enter Access Code - HAH - and required information. Once registered, order lunches, and pay via PayPal.

Thanks for participating in our largest fundraiser!

Email Lindsay Lemon at lindsaylemonyukes@hotmail.com to help deliver pizza to hungry kids.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Amy Hannah reported on drills and emergency responses. As well, she gave a brief presentation on the November 28th district review, and collected information from parents meant to help administrators reflect on what's going well and what needs work.

MPP Yasir Naqvi came to share his experiences with Gr. 5 students, which they enjoyed. Thanks to students and families who collected food for the TAG food drive - it was a big success.

Borden ball tryouts are starting for Gr. 4 and 5 students. An intramural girls' volleyball program will run for Gr. 4-6 during the breaks. Intermediate boys and girls volleyball tryouts are happening. The Blizzard Bazaar will take place December 15. The character focus for November was respect.

BUDGET COMMITTEE UPDATE

Approximately \$9000 was carried over from last year. The committee lowered the hotlunch projections, as orders have been a little slow to come. Also, they removed the electronic recycling - the Gr. 7's might do electronics to fundraise for Quebec city - the Beach party, the books sale and the Subway fundraiser for now, as no one has offered to run these as yet. Other events are likely to happen but they wanted to keep projections low until clearer plans for some events are in place.



Overview of expenses. Yard: \$5000 for tree gates, \$3000 for maintenance, \$500 savings for future expenses (e.g., kinder structure; nets for basketball hoops in turf yard). Many items stayed the same, such as curriculum enrichment (\$3000 per division). Phys Ed equipment: \$2000 perhaps for new pinnies, which are needed; \$2000 for library; \$5300 for Safe and Caring events planned for the year; \$2000 Gr. 5 cross country ski trip; \$500 allergy, now considered alongside end of year grad parties, for cakes, as that is where the money has been going; \$450 end of year staff breakfast; \$500 philanthropy (Education fund, and other opportunities to help schools that raise less money); \$100 photocopies; \$20 communication - web renewal; \$400 Grade 8 anthology - to help e-publishing and maybe printing. After some discussion, a motion to pass the budget passed. Also, Hopewell PS now has a fundraising committee which will work to ensure ideal timing and participation, and to help inject some fun and community into fundraising. If you'd like to join, please email Parentspeak@gmail.com!

Thanks to all who participated in the Grocery card fundraiser, which raised \$2400 this year!



Hopewell Ave Public School
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH GLEBE COLLEGIATE
SKI & SKATE SALE
& YARD CLEAN UP
was a
raging success!
Thank you

WE made **\$2000** for our collective school Councils
(Hopewell: \$1473 & Glebe: \$527), and helped gear up our community for winter!
We also cleaned up the yard and planted 100s of tulips!

If you haven't already, email us at ParentSpeak@gmail.com to receive upcoming newsletters.