



OTTAWA-CARLETON
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are presently working on our classroom organization for next year. Parents wishing to make special requests for their child's class placement for academic or social needs may do so in **writing to me by Thursday, June 8**. I would also kindly request that you do not make requests for particular teachers. It is not always possible to meet all requests that come to me when dealing with the complicated process of class placement; however the teachers and I work very hard in looking at each child's academic and social needs.

During these warmer months, we will practise three fire drills and will also have our second lock down practice for the year. We will announce the date through the online school calendar however the time will be a surprise.

VICE-PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The weather is changing and students are beginning to wear summer clothing. Trillium students are extremely respectful and understand that a school is a place of learning, and that our clothing should reflect the respect we have for each other, ourselves and the learning.

The OCDSB Community of Character Wheel focus for the month of May is *Fairness*. Our OCDSB Character Wheel offers the following message on fairness: *I make decisions based upon the whole picture. I treat others the way that I would like to be treated. I am just.*



EQAO – Provincial Assessments

If your child is in **Grade 3 or Grade 6**, please note that the following dates will be used for assessment purposes: **May 23rd to June 5th**. **Please avoid scheduling appointments during these days.** Thank you all for your co-operation. Our message to the participating students is simple: **always do your best!**

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 1-5: Education Week
May 8-12: Spirit Week (wear colour of the day)
May 12: Dance-A-Thon (all day)
May 12: Family Movie Night – 6:30 p.m.
May 11: School Council 7:00 p.m.
May 17: Talent Show – 12:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
May 19: PA Day – no school for students
May 22: Victoria Day (School Closed)
May 23 - June 5: EQAO Testing for Gr. 3 & Gr. 6

For updates, visit our website:

www.trilliumes.ocdsb.ca
or join us on Twitter @TrilliumES

IMPORTANT CHANGE:

CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION POLICY FOR CROSS-BOUNDARY STUDENTS



OSTA (Ottawa Student Transportation Authority) has implemented a number of changes in some policies and/or procedures and we are **alerting you to these changes.**

OSTA will be responsible for managing all applications, approvals and assignments for **empty seats** (courtesy seating) as of **April 1, 2017**. **This includes all applications for September and October of 2017.** The application form and procedures are available on OSTA's website:

<http://www.ottawaschoolbus.ca/policies-procedures/empty-seat-seat-availability-provision/>.



KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION

Registration is on-going.

Kindergarten registration for Junior/Year 1 and Senior/Year 2 students who will be beginning at Trillium in September of 2017 is ongoing. Please register your child as soon as possible to ensure a smooth start in September.

At the time of registration please bring the following:

- ✓ Proof of age (birth/baptismal certificate, registration of birth, passport)
- ✓ Proof of residence (current utility bill)
- ✓ Your child's Ontario Health Card

13 Reasons Why on Netflix

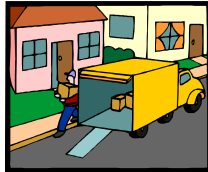
Some families have asked questions about the new Netflix show called **13 Reasons Why**. Please go to:

<http://www.ocdsb.ca/com/SupportingourYouth/Documents/InformationforFamiliesabout13ReasonsWhy.pdf>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office and speak with Ms. Spearman or Mr. Hawley.

ARE YOU MOVING?

We are in the process of making plans for the 2017-2018 school year. If you know that your child(ren) will not be attending Trillium Elementary School next September, please send a written note to the office as soon as possible. Thank you!



News from the EARs

Trillium staff and students did amazingly well during Litterless Lunch week. We produced almost zero garbage and staff noticed that most students were bringing their lunch in reusable or recyclable containers! Bravo!

The "Compost Bin Liners Sale" is a project that the EARs have just launched. For a minimal cost of .10cents/liner, \$2.00/25 liners or \$5.00/60 liners, families can now purchase compost liners which are made of recycled newspapers. All funds generated from the sales of the liners will be put towards Environment initiatives at our school. This sale will be ongoing throughout the year and all orders can be sent directly to room 5. Thank you for your support!

THE TRILLIUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL (TESC) SECTION:

MOANA

Join us for a **FREE** movie night!

Friday May 12th 6:30 PM

Wear your PJs and bring your blankies and favorite stuffies.

Proceeds from the canteen will go to the playground fund.



(Rated PG)

Note: This is a family event. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Dance-A-Thon

Our annual Dance-A-Thon will be held on Friday, **May 12**. Pledge forms were sent home in April. Please send all completed pledge forms in by May 12. We are looking forward to this annual fun event.

Spring Book Fair Update

The Spring Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success raising funds towards the Kindergarten play structure. The exact total raised will be announced in the June newsletter.



The Trillium Elementary School Council would like to thank all the students, parents, teachers, school staff and the educators from the Global Child Care Services who helped us reach our book fair fundraising goal. A round of applause goes to the volunteers who made this all possible. It is exciting and rewarding to see such wonderful support for the promotion of literacy.



It's never too late to order with the Trillium Hot Lunch program! We are happy to offer a 3 week rotation – pita, pizza and subs.

Find the links to order at www.TESC.ca or go to www.tesc.hotlunches.net (Trillium access code TESHSL).



Labels for the Stuff Kids Lose!

Mabel's Labels are dishwasher, microwave and laundry safe personalized labels.

Please visit www.campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for "Trillium Elementary School" under the "School/Organization" drop down to place your order and support our fundraiser.



QSP will accept orders for magazine subscriptions through-out the year. If you have a renewal coming due or are looking to begin a new subscription, please visit www.QSP.ca to shop an extended list of magazines.

Visit www.QSP.ca

1. Select "Parents & Students" and register your child
2. Our school code is 3727724 and begin shopping



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**EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM
TRILLIUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SPACES AVAILABLE**

At Trillium Elementary School, the Extended Day Program is delivered via a partnership with **Global Child Care Services**. Global's Trillium School Age Program offers before and after school care to kindergarten (JK/SK) and school age children (gr. 1-6).

Hours of Operation: 7:05 a.m. to 5:55 p.m.

The rate is a blended one, and in addition to before and after care on all regular school days, includes child care for all PD Days, March Break and the summer period.

Subsidy:

Limited fee subsidies administered by the City of Ottawa may be available for families who qualify.

For more information about Global's Trillium School Age Program, contact:

Krista Johnson at [\(613\) 841-5497](tel:6138415497)

Summer Camps 2017

Language Camps - Ottawa-Carleton District School Board is offering fun language camps for children, ages 5-12 from July 2-28, 2017.

It includes International Language Classes as well as French and Spanish Camps.

For details, please call 613-239-2703 or visit InternationalLanguagesinOttawa.com.



Adopt a Helmet!

Make a properly fitted helmet part of your bike riding experience. A helmet can help protect you and your family from serious injury!

Tips about helmet safety:

- Make sure the helmet has been safety certified - look for the sticker on the inside of the helmet.
- Helmets must be replaced every five years and/or after a crash or hard hit - even if it looks undamaged.
- Never buy a used helmet.
- Do not place stickers on your helmet.
- Parents can set a good example to children by wearing a helmet.
- Remember, anyone under the age of 18 must wear a helmet – it's the law.

Helmet Fitting:

- Put on the helmet so that it is not tilting backwards or forward. Then check the following:



Two fingers distance from helmet to eyebrow



V-shape straps around each ear



One finger between chin and fastened strap

For more information visit www.ottawa.ca/health or contact Ottawa Public Health at 613-580-6744.