



OTTAWA-CARLETON
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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PRINCIPAL'S SECTION

On behalf of all the staff at Trillium E.S., we wish you and your family a healthy and happy new year!

We are experiencing some unpredictable weather conditions which require our students to be dressed for all types of winter play. Please ensure the students have warm winter clothing and boots for cold weather play as we head into the coldest months of the year.

Due to ice and hard ground conditions the play structures are closed every winter. Please remind your children to stay off the structures after hours in order to stay safe.

VICE-PRINCIPAL'S SECTION

Welcome back to school after a restful Winter Break. In 2018, we will continue to build our mindful awareness as a school community and explore how we can positively impact our own learning and the environment around us. Each morning on the announcements, students will continue to have the opportunity to share how they practise mindfulness at school and at home. Our school character focus for the month of January is **Acceptance**. Our OCDSB Character Wheel offers the following message on acceptance: *I reach out to include others. I accept others for who they are. I am gentle with myself and others when mistakes are made.*

IMPORTANT DATES:

Jan 11: School Council 7:00 p.m. in the library
Jan 16: Cultural Performances
Jan 24: Kindergarten Information Evening
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Jan 22-29: Kindergarten Registration Period
Jan 25: Spirit Day – Crazy Hair Day
Jan 26: PA Day - No School for Students
Feb 5-20: Student Transfer Period
Feb 7: MFI Information Night 6:30
Feb 12-20: MFI Registration
Feb 14: Term 1 Report Cards go home
Feb 16: PA Day – no school for students
Feb 19: Family Day – school closed

For updates, visit our website:
www.trilliumes.ocdsb.ca



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION PERIOD

Monday, January 22 to Monday, January 29, 2018.

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

If you are aware of families in the community who have children of JK/SK age in our attendance area, please share the information and dates for registration. We look forward to welcoming new families to Trillium Elementary School.



KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT:

Kindergarten Information Night, for the parents of Kindergarten students who will be beginning at Trillium in September of 2018, will be held in the school on Wednesday, Jan 24, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. This is an evening for parents to come and meet the teachers, ECEs, Principal and Vice-Principal and ask any questions applicable to next year's kindergarten program. Mark it on your calendar!

REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER PERIODS:

Middle French Immersion Registration Period:

Monday, February 12 to Tuesday, February 20, 2018. Trillium Elementary School will be hosting a Middle French Immersion (MFI) evening for parents on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. You are welcome to bring your **Grade 3** child to the information session. Should you have any questions about the program please do not hesitate to call Mrs. Spearman.

Elementary/Secondary Transfer Application Period

Monday, February 5 to Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

NEW! SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

School Cash Online – Now Available at Trillium ES!

The OCDSB has started rolling out [School Cash Online](https://ocdsb.schoolcashionline.com), an easy to use, safe and convenient way for parents/guardians to pay for their children's school fees, including yearbooks and class trips. Want to say goodbye to writing cheques or send your child with cash? Sign up today, it takes less than 5 minutes to register.

<https://ocdsb.schoolcashionline.com>

TRIPLE BALL

On December 8th, our Trillium Junior Girls triple-ball team came in first place at the regional tournament. The girls won all the sets they played. It was a real demonstration of true sportsmanship and solid team play. In the finals, we won against Henry Munro in 2 sets with a lead of at least 5 points in each set. Thanks to the following grade 6 players for their dedication and commitment to the team: Sarah, Paige, Rania, Jaida, Samantha, Ava, Cailyn, Olivia, Rosa, Kiki, Renée and Annika. Two grade 8 girls also helped this team to progress and shine...Thanks Julia and Flame! It was certainly another great day for everyone to be part of Trillium.

JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Mr. Romeo and Mr. Blacker would like to congratulate both the Intermediate and Junior Boys Volleyball teams for a great volleyball season. The Intermediate Boys team played hard in all 3 tournaments they were involved in being named as the most improved team. The Junior Boys team played extremely well in their tournament at Henry Larsen placing second and winning the silver medal! Great work boys you once again made Trillium proud with your hard work, sportsmanship and all around athletic ability!

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Mr. Dangerfield would like to congratulate the Intermediate Girls on a great season. The girls showed strong commitment and improved so much over the course of the season. During the games they showed excellent sportsmanship and represented Trillium very well. Team members were Laura, Monica, Olivia, Rachel, Isabelle, Talia, Kaitlyn H., Hannah L., Hana R., Aila, Halle and Katelyn T.
Great job girls!!



EARS NEWS:

Batteries: During the busy holiday season, it is apparent that we use batteries in many different items. The greatest environmental concern surrounding batteries is the impact they have at the end of their lives. It is estimated that around 94 per cent of dead batteries end up in landfill - and this is where the most serious problems start.

Batteries are identified as a problem material in the waste stream. Batteries are made from a variety of chemicals to power their reactions. Some of these chemicals, such as nickel and cadmium, are extremely toxic and can cause damage to humans and the environment. **If you have small batteries (AAA, AA, C, D types) that no longer work, you can send them to school with your child. We have a special box in the front office, especially for the recycling of batteries.**



Compost: Our green bin program has been in effect since January 2014 and since then, the **equivalent of 8 green bins** (the 80L type that you have at home) is put out **every week!** That is an ENORMOUS amount of garbage that Trillium's students and staff have been able to keep out of the landfill. Kudos to us! In order for this program to continue being successful, we need more newspapers to make our bin liners. The large type of newspaper such as The Citizen, The Globe & Mail, etc. If you receive these newspapers at home, please save them for us and drop them into the labelled box, in our school foyer...or send them with your child. This is VERY MUCH appreciated! **Also, last year, our EARS started selling bin liners. Should you wish to purchase some (.10¢ each, 25/\$2 or 60/\$5), simply send your request to Mme Sylvie, in room 5. Take care of the Earth...it's the only one we have!**



GLOBAL CHILD CARE SERVICES

www.gccs.ca

The Trillium School Age Program is located within the school and is a non-profit program offering high quality licensed care for school aged children.

If you are interested in learning more about the program, please call Krista at (613) 841-5497.

THE TRILLIUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL (TESC) SECTION:



The Trillium Hot Lunch program is available Monday's (rotation of pita and subs) and Tuesday's (pizza) every week.

To sign-up, go to www.tesc.hotlunches.net. Click on the "register" tab and enter access code **TESHL**.



The Lunch Lady delivers every Thursday. To view menus and place an order please visit www.lunchlady.ca.



THANK YOU to all the Trillium families and friends who came to the Boston Pizza fundraiser dinner on December 6th. We had a great turn out and raised over \$200 for the kindergarten play structure.

Congratulations goes out to Ryan P. for winning the \$25 Boston Pizza gift card.

REMINDER: Anytime you visit Boston Pizza Orleans, TESC can accumulate a percentage of all sales? Just write **Trillium Elementary** on the back of your receipt and place it in the box at the hostess desk



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THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the movie night and to all the families who were able to attend.

We hope you enjoyed the movie. Our next movie night will be held on May 11th.

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



Visit

www.campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for **Trillium Elementary School** under the School/Organization drop down to place your order.

The following is a list of upcoming TESC events. Further details will be shared with you closer to each event.



If you are interested in helping to support any of these events, please send an email to chair@tesc.ca. We are looking for volunteers for the upcoming Valentine's Dinner, Dance & Basket Raffle. Please email chair@tesc.ca if you are interested in helping.

- Valentine's Dinner, Dance & Basket Raffle (February 9)
- Little Caesars Frozen Pizza (February)
- Spring Book Fair (April 23-26)
- Family Movie Night (May 11)
- Dance-A-Thon (May 18)

TESC School Council Meetings

School Council Meetings are held monthly in the school library from 7:00-9:00. Below are the TESC meeting dates for this school year. You are invited and welcome to attend at any time!



- January 11, 2018
- February 8, 2018
- March 8, 2018
- April 12, 2018
- May 10, 2018
- June 14, 2018

Should you have any questions, please feel free to send an email to chair@tesc.ca