



OTTAWA-CARLETON
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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PRINCIPAL'S SECTION

I would like to thank all the families that were able to come out for our Meet the Teacher evening on September 26th. I hope the evening was helpful in establishing the partnership between home and school.

VICE-PRINCIPAL'S SECTION

The OCDSB Community of Character Wheel is a valuable tool for educating and practicing citizenship. I'm proud to say that Trillium students are well versed in the language of good character. In October, we will focus on responsibility. Our OCDSB Character Wheel offers the following message on responsibility: *I am accountable for the decisions that I make. I realize that my decisions impact my community. I honour my commitments.* The idea of responsibility also goes hand in hand with the mindfulness work that we are doing through the MindUp Curriculum. The choices that we make have a huge impact on our success and others' success.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Oct. 2: Adjusted Schedule Day – Friday Schedule
Oct. 3: Trillium Cross Country Run
Oct. 5: PA Day (no school for students)
Oct. 8: Thanksgiving Day (no school)
Oct. 10: Adjusted Schedule Day – Monday Schedule
Oct. 10: Cross Country Regional Meet – Gr. 6 to 8
Oct. 11: Cross Country Regional Meet – Gr. 3 to 5
Oct. 15 to 21: EARs Food Waste Reduction Week
Oct. 17: Junior Girls Regional Soccer Meet
Oct. 18: Junior Boys Regional Soccer Meet
Oct. 22: Intermediate Boys Football Tournament
Oct. 25: Intermediate Girls Football Tournament
Oct. 24: Cross Country Board Finals – Gr. 7 & 8
Oct. 25: TESC Meeting – 7 to 9 pm in the library
Oct 31: Intermediate Dance 12:00-3:00

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are looking for parent volunteers to help with different tasks in the library, on a regular basis. In the past, we've relied on our dedicated

If you are able to volunteer for an afternoon or a few hours per week, please contact Mrs. Habibi in the library by calling the school at 613-841-7393 on Monday mornings, or all day Wednesday and Friday. Any help on any week day would be greatly appreciated.

EAR'S NEWS

Trillium's green club, called EARs (Environment Action Representatives) is welcoming two new BIG EAR members this year: Mrs. MacLean and Mrs. George. Along with Mme Sylvie, these teachers have already planned numerous environmental activities to keep the students interested in environment issues. They will be meeting every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. Anyone can join this year!

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 26th: National Tree Day

Sept. 27th: "Glad Cleaning the Capital" event (students will be going out to clean up our yard)

October 15-21st: Waste Reduction Week (students will be encouraged to take to school lunches in reusable containers)

October 24th: Take Me Outside Day (we will have an extended recess on that day)

Thank you for making the Earth a cleaner and better place for everyone!



CHOIR

The junior/intermediate choir has started preparing for the Remembrance Day assembly and the Holiday Concert. Students in grades 4-8 are invited to join. The practices are Wednesdays at 1:15pm. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Farlinger or Mme Leah Corrigan.

The primary choir will start practices after Thanksgiving. Students in grades 1-3 are invited to join the choir. Practices will be Mondays at 1:15pm, in preparation for the Holiday Concert. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. George or Mme Leah.

The Holiday Concert will be Wednesday, December 12th at 6:30pm.

OSTA EMPTY SEAT UPDATE

OSTA staff is focused on providing support and services for students and their families, and school communities most affected by the tornadoes. Due to a disruption of service, and continuing focus on restoring services, OSTA will be delaying review of empty seat applications until October 5, 2018. Seat assignments will begin the following week. Please verify the Parent Portal for Seat assignments. We appreciate your patience and understanding during these trying times.

TERRY FOX RUN/WALK

Thank for all your generous donations. Our National School walk/ run event on Friday, September 28, went very smoothly thanks to all of your support. Trillium ES raised over \$500 for Terry Fox's **Marathon of Hope** and cancer research.

THE TRILLIUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL (TESC) SECTION:

Trillium Elementary School Council (TESC)

TESC Annual General Meeting was held on September 13th and below is your council representation for the 2018/2019 school year

- Chair: Jennifer Sauve
- Secretary: Danusia Campbell
- Treasurer: Michelle Hapuarachch
- Community Representatives: Krista Johnson and Karin Trudeau
- Members at Large: Wendy & JP Grimes, Jennifer McLean, Karen Neilson, Munira Nurbhai, Ana-Livia Rodriguez, Ryan Wareham

Our next meeting will be held on **Thursday, October 25th at 7:00** in the school library (2nd floor). We look forward to seeing you.

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

TESC School Council Meetings



School Council Meetings are held monthly in the school library from 7:00-9:00. Below is the meeting schedule for

this school year. You are invited and welcome to attend at any time!

October 25, 2018
November 29, 2018
January 31, 2019
March 28, 2019
April 25, 2019
May 30, 2019
June 20, 2019

FUNDRAISING EVENTS:



The Trillium Hot Lunch program is back and available Mondays (rotation of pita and subs) and Tuesdays (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.



Did you know that 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.

QSP Fundraiser



Do you have a magazine renewal coming due or are you looking to begin a new subscription? If so, please visit www.QSP.ca to shop an extended list of magazines for children and adults. Trillium will earn a percentage of all sales.

Visit www.QSP.ca

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

Labels for the Stuff Kids Lose!

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

The following is a list of upcoming TESC events.



Further details will be shared with you closer to each event.

- Cookie Dough Fundraiser (Oct 29-Nov 9)
- Fall Book Fair (Nov 19-23)
- Jump to Math (Nov 28)
- Boston Pizza Fundraiser Dinner (Dec – day tbd)
- Family Movie Night (Dec 7)

If you are interested in helping to support any of these events, please send an email to chair@tesc.ca.



**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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

From time to time, the school is asked to distribute information about activities in the community that may be of interest to some parents/students. This information is provided for your consideration only and should not be viewed as an endorsement by the school or its' staff of any particular organization or activity.

VAPING

If you're the parent of a teenager, you might have heard about the rising number of teens that are using vapour products, such as electronic cigarettes. Rates of vaping have now surpassed tobacco smoking among youth. For instance, 23% of Ottawa high school students in grades 9-12 have used an electronic cigarette at least once compared to 14% that have tried tobacco.

This growing vape culture is concerning as the long-term safety of inhaling the chemicals from vaping products are still unknown. Vaping products may also contain nicotine. Nicotine is a highly addictive substance that can alter brain development and can affect concentration and memory in youth.

For more information, please visit:
<http://www.parentinginottawa.ca/en/youth/vaping.aspx>

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