

OSLER SCHOOL NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS

"Learning, Growing.....Together"

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March 6, 2015

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, March 10

SCC meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Monday, March 16

Gr. 4 to 9 trip to Table Mountain.

Thursday, March 19

Term 2 Progress Reports (Gr. 1-9).

Friday, March 20

Teacher Prep Day. No School for students.

March 23 to 26

Scholastic Book Fair.

March 23 to 27

School wide Spirit Week.

Friday, March 27

Jump Rope for Heart Jump-Off.

Thursday, April 2

Time in Lieu of Student Progress Conferences. No school.

April 3 to 10

Easter Break. No school.

Orange/Grapefruit Fundraiser

The fundraiser was a great success again this year. We sold 100 more boxes than last year and anticipate that the popularity of the oranges/grapefruit will continue to grow. Thanks so much for your support! **There are still a few boxes left.** If you are interested in buying one, please call Mrs. Buhler at the school.

Dear Parents,

What an interesting beginning to March with weather fluctuating from -42° to 0° in one week. Everyone is looking forward to spring! February focused on learning and some of the learning took place on the basketball court. Osler was a very gracious host to a great day of basketball on Saturday, February 7. Our boys played very well and we are very proud of the gold medals that they won that day. Our Grade 5 and 6 basketball teams are watching carefully and look forward to the day they can play with such skill.

It was wonderful that so many parents made it a priority to attend progress conferences. Ninety percent of our students had at least one parent attend the progress conferences. If you were not able to attend conferences, I encourage you to touch base with your child's classroom teacher by phone. It is exciting to see the great growth our Grade 1-3 students make in their reading during these important early years. Further information regarding your child's progress will be sent home on March 19th.

As a school we continue to enrich learning opportunities for our students. The families of Grade 4-9 students are reading the Moose Jaw based novel "Tunnels of Time." The culminating activities will be a wind up for families on April 22 and a field trip to the Tunnels of Moose Jaw on April 30. Kindergarten to Grade 3 students continue to explore various aspects of our arts curriculum. The dance party in February and a workshop by the swing dancers this afternoon are fun ways to explore the arts.

If you have any compliments, questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's classroom teacher, Mr. Key or myself.

Yours in Education, Ms. Kampen audrey.kampen@spiritsd.ca



Osler School "Jump Rope for Heart Jump-Off" skipping event will take place on **Friday**, **March 27**, in the afternoon. All students in Kindergarten to Grade 9 will be involved in an afternoon of heart-healthy skipping activities. Students were given pledge packages on Thursday, March 5. All packages must be returned to school by Friday, March 27.

- Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Lane

Please pre-register for Kindergarten

Kindergarten is a special time that children look forward to. All children who are five years of age as of Dec. 31, 2015 may be admitted to kindergarten this fall. If you have an eligible child, please contact Osler School at 239-2077 to pre-register.

This information is necessary for planning programs, budgeting and staffing for the upcoming year. Please share this information with your neighbours if they have eligible children, and call at your earliest convenience.

Curling

Thank you to everyone who participated in curling this year. We had a dedicated group of Grade 7 and 8 students, many of which were first time curlers. It was wonderful to see the progress they made over the season. The students curled out of the Martensville Curling Rink. Congratulations on a great season! Curling will be held for a couple more weeks.

- J. Sorokan

Girls 7-9 Basketball

The Junior Girls Basketball team had a fun and successful season this year. Because there were so many girls in Grade 7-9 who wanted to play this season, we split our big team into two smaller teams.

Our "A" team met some very skilled teams this season and experienced three heartbreaking losses, all by 2 points. The girls showed excellent sportsmanship and attitude

in the face of these tough games and I was so proud of how they responded to this adversity.

The "B" team's season was all about learning how Division Three basketball is different than Division Two and showed great improvement over the course of the season. These girls had fun every game and supported each other. In addition to their weekly games, both teams attended three tournaments this season in Vanscoy, Warman, and Dalmeny.

A huge thank you goes out to Mrs. Lane who was our manager this year – she scheduled all of the games and refs for us which was a big help. THANK YOU!

Also, thank you to the wonderful ladies below who made this such a great season: Grade 7—Autumn C., Dallas J., Hannah M., Abby N., Arielle S., Kaitlyn T., Trinity W. Grade 8—Vanessa B., Abby G., Madison H., Shayla J., Kendra R., Mackenzie R., Kirsten S., Rachel T. Grade 9—Adrianna C., Shay F., Delaney S., Brooke T., Chelsea V-R., Alison W.

- Mrs. Milnthorp

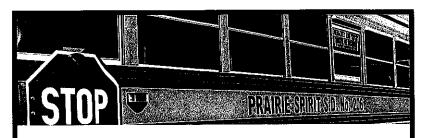
Badminton

Tryouts for our grade 7-9 badminton team will take place next week on Tuesday, March 10th and Thursday, March 12th. All games and playoffs (April 14th and 16th) will occur on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

<u>A Knight to Remember</u>

This is an evening - **Monday, March 23rd, 3:30 - 5:30**—full of fun and prizes, held in conjunction with the Black Knight badminton company. Students have an opportunity to try out a variety of demo racquets, play some games, and all who attend are entered in a draw for a variety of prizes.

The "entry fee" is the purchase of a Black Knight T-shirt for \$13.00. Forms will be distributed next week, and spaces are limited - first come, first served!



A Prairie Spirit Bus Driver:

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- Enjoys daily contact with students
- Supports the local community
- Could take their young child along on route

Applications for Bus Drivers are now being accepted

Call the Prairie Spirit Bus Garage at (306) 374-2496 for more information about this flexible opportunity.







Campbell's Labels for Education

Osler School continues to collect Campbell Soup labels. Please help us by saving your labels and sending them to school. Please note that soup labels must include the UPC and front label. The more labels we collect, the more points we earn. These points will be redeemed

for merchandise for our school.



Canadian Tire \$\$\$\$\$

Mrs. Lane continues to collect Canadian Tire dollars. Students can turn in their \$\$ to Mrs. Lane or Mrs. Buhler in the office. Thanks so much for your support!!

LOST AND FOUND

Parents, is your child missing some items of clothing from his/her closet? Check the Lost and Found box in the front lobby of the school and you may find them!!

Student Assessment:

Feedback for Learning

Prairie Spirit progress reports for Grade 1 - 9 students now use a learning progression scale to report student progress.

The goal is to give learners the feedback and information they need to improve, rather than attaching a label to their level of learning.

Go to the Prairie Spirit assessment blog for more information: earning2learning.ca





Town of Osler presents

Winter Carnival

Saturday March 7th 2015

Community Hall Events

Funland -Games and Prizes! 10-1pm - sponsored by Osler Family Resource Centre

~Lunch 11-2 pm sponsored by Osler Mennonite Church

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Warman Osler Skating Club presents "The Game of Life" - our Annual Skating Carnival

Sunday, March 22, 2015 2:00 - 4:00 pm Legends Centre Arena, Warman Admission by donation

> Dress Rehearsal (free admission) Thursday, March 19 6:00 pm Legends Centre Arena



Healthy Connections: Parents of Teens

This one-day group is designed for parents of teenagers who would like to foster the growth of healthy connections with their teen. Through discussion & activities, we plan to cover connecting & communicating with your teen, decision making & responsibilities, values, social events & social media. Additional topics may be added.

This group is a course requirement. The facilitators are Masters of School and Counselling Psychology students at the University of Saskatchewan.

When:

Saturday, March 14, 2015

Time:

10:00am-3:00pm, with a break for lunch

Where:

Family Service Saskatoon

102 - 506 25th Street East, Saskatoon, SK

Cost: \$5

Preregistration is required

To register, please call 306-244-0127

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