

Spirit Week

Our Student Council is planning a 'Spirit Week' for March 6 – 10 as we get ready for the March Break. On Monday, students are invited to wear their favourite Jerseys on Monday, Tuesday will be Inside Out/Backwards Day, Wednesday is Beach/Vacation Day, we'll celebrate St. Patrick's Day/Green and White day on Thursday, and as is tradition, PJ Day on Friday!

Staffing Update

We are back to looking for a Noon Hour Supervisor to help us during the month of April on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. As this is considered a 'staff' position, there would be an application process required for TVDSB. If you might be able to help us for one or more of these days and are willing to apply for the position (no interview required!!!), or if you know someone in the community who might be interested in this paid position, please let Ms. Elcombe know as soon as possible. We also know that we will be looking for a regular Noon Hour Supervisor starting in September for the 2023-2024 year! Thanks in advance!

Winter Olympics

Thanks to Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Finnie and our Grade 7/8 class for the amazing 'PDPS Winter Olympics 2023'! The kids (and staff) had a lot of fun! Please see the attached collage for some of the photos from the two events.

Popcorn and Milk Sales

We will have lots of both chocolate and white milk for sale starting on Monday, but will not be putting through a new order this week as we are approaching the March Break and don't want the milk to expire over the break. We will let families know if we 'run out' of milk before Friday. We still have lots of popcorn ready for next Wednesday (all flavours). To purchase tickets for milk or popcorn, please remember to do so through SchoolCash online by Sundays at noon. Tickets purchased during the week will be printed and distributed to students on Mondays. <https://tvdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

Lost & Found

Please see the attached photos and let your child's teacher know if anything belongs to your home. To help keep your child(ren)'s items from being lost, don't forget about School Council's ongoing fundraiser with Mabel's labels! This week we are also showcasing some more 'last chance items' that have been in the Lost and Found since the beginning of January. If you recognize any items as belonging to your home, please let us know. Items not claimed by March 10 will be donated.

https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/

Hot Lunch Program

Just a reminder to get orders in **BY NOON SUNDAYS** for the hot lunches on Tuesday (Pizza) and Thursday (Subs). **If you ordered for a number of weeks/months in advance, please check your accounts. We have had several students without pizza and/or subs in the past couple of weeks as some dates were 'missed' when ordering.**

INCLEMENT WEATHER - HOT LUNCH CANCELLATION POLICY

If buses are cancelled, the program continues. If the school is closed, then the program will be cancelled and credits will be applied to accounts. Food will be kept in the fridge for one day following a bus cancellation and distributed (cold) the following day or can be picked up at the school during school hours. If refunds are necessary, then families can contact Lunchbox directly with that request. If schools are closed we will post a hot lunch update ASAP to both Facebook sites (School Council and the main PDPS page). <https://lunchboxorders.com/>

Toonies for Tummies

Only a couple of weeks left to support the local 'Toonies for Tummies' campaign. From March 2nd- 16th local Oxford County grocery stores will be participating and 100% of donations are directed back to surrounding schools to help support their Student Nutrition Programs! If able, please pass along this information to your school families and staff so that they can help support your program by donating a toonie (or more!) at the check out or by saying thank you to the staff! Below is the schedule for each location: Sobseys/Foodland/Fresh Co: March 2nd-16th

Thoughts of the Day this past week

The ability to be in the present moment is a major component of mental wellness.

The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer someone else up.

Being happy never goes out of style.

Action is the foundational key to all success.

Success is how high you bounce when you hit bottom.

Upcoming Dates

March 6 – 10	Spirit Week
Tuesday, March 7	Purim
Thursday, March 9	Badminton team practice after school
Friday, March 10	School Climate Surveys due
March 11 – 19	March Break
Sunday, March 12	Daylight Savings Time begins
Friday, March 17	St. Patrick's Day
Monday, March 20	Back to school, Spring Begins
Tuesday, March 21	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, Grade 2/3A&B to Vansittart Woods
Wednesday, March 22	High Winds Drill
Thursday, March 23	First day of Ramadan
Friday, March 24	K1&2 to Vansittart Woods
Monday, March 27	School Council Meeting (virtual)