



Owl Power - Weekly Update



Week of: October 21 - October 25, 2024

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Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday:
 Bus Evacuation Drill for bus students - AM		Take Me Outside Day! Collaboration with Fearless in the Forest & Maxine Hildebrandt Dress for outside activities!  Parent-Teacher Conversations & Book Fair! 4:00 pm-7:00 pm Sign up using the link on our website		Kindergarten K2 Day! Crazy Hair Day!
-----School Bus Safety Week-----				

Coming Up Quick!

- **Halloween & Full Moon Frolic** - October 31
- **PJ Day** - November 1
- **Picture Retakes** - November 5
- **Dress Your Best Day** - November 8
- **Remembrance Day Ceremony** - November 8
- **Fall Break** - November 11 - 15 - No School
- **Metis Week** - November 18 - 22



Our **Full Moon Frolic** is coming up quick! All Owl Grown Ups should have received an email on October 16 detailing this fun school wide event! Check it out!

Did you know?

- **STAR Program** - The STAR (Social Emotional Learning, Targeted Skills, Accountable for our actions, Relationships and restorative practice) program is designed to foster a safe and positive playground. The program offers students the chance to strengthen their sense of community within their house leagues while showcasing how they are Outstanding Wise Leaders. Once a month at lunch recess, students join their team to help develop and practice various skills such as making new friends, conflict resolution and sportsmanship.
- **What is P.L.C.?** - P.L.C. stands for Professional Learning Community. At Ochre Park School, homeroom teachers have 60 minutes of PLC time built into their weekly timetable. During this meeting time, teachers work with our Learning Coach and Administrators on different items, for example, analyzing student work, to inform our practice with the overarching goal of improving student achievement. While homeroom teachers are collaborating, Little Owls work with Mrs. Larson, Mr. Chris, and Ms. Moores on outcomes tied to our Physical Education and Wellness Curriculum, including outdoor education.





OP Driving Loop



Please continue to use the driving loop to drop your child off and pick your child up at the start and end of the day. You can go around the loop as many times as needed. You are also welcome to park in front of the school on the far side of the chain link fence (on the same side as the main road) or in front of the green field along the road.

Thank you for your continued care and diligence in keeping all of our Owl Community safe at morning drop-off and after school pick-up, as well as refraining from parking in front of and blocking our neighbour's driveways.



Little Owls have the opportunity for three different contests!

1. Sturgeon Public School Division Holiday Card

Little Owls are invited to submit a drawing of a Christmas/holiday scene. One submission will be chosen per grade category and then reproduced for this year's holiday cards. Please note that this is not a class project - artwork should be done at home and submitted to the school.

Click the link [here](#) for more information.

2. Electronic Recycling Association: This contest encourages students to get creative and think critically about how they can help protect the environment by promoting e-waste recycling. In addition to fostering environmental awareness, the contest offers students the opportunity to win fantastic prizes, such as laptops, tablets, and gift cards, which can greatly benefit them or their families. All winning posters will be featured on the ERA website and social media platforms, providing national recognition for students' artwork.

Submission Deadline: Entries must be submitted by December 2024, unless the deadline is extended. You can find full details about the contest here: [Kids Contest](#)



3. Remembrance Day Poster Through the annual National Youth Remembrance Contests, Canadian youth and children are invited to honour Canada's Veterans, help perpetuate Remembrance and foster the tradition of Remembrance amongst Canadians through visual art, writing, and now video. This contest encourages students to create a colour or black and white poster on the theme of Remembrance. Please see [page 6](#) of the [link](#) for further information.



A WORD FROM Parent Council

Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your patience and support as we work towards reintroducing our hot lunch program. We believe this initiative will not only provide various meals for our students but also foster a sense of community within our school.

If you are interested in volunteering as our Hot Lunch Coordinator, or if you know someone who might be, please reach out to us. Your involvement is crucial in making this program a success.

Additionally, to help us ensure every child has the opportunity to participate and bring home a special gift. We are running our annual Christmas Store. Your contributions can make a significant difference and bring joy to many families during this festive season.

Here are some donation ideas:

- Wrapping paper and gift bags
- Labels
- Cloth/ plastic grocery bags
- Tape
- Any new or mint condition items

Monetary donations can be made directly via email transfer to op.parentsociety@gmail.com, any amount is greatly appreciated. Your support and generosity are critical to the success of this event, and we are grateful for any contributions you can make.

Together, we can create a vibrant and supportive school environment.

Warmest Regards,

Ochre Park's Parent Council



SURVEY TIME!

Help shape the future of our school's initiatives and events. Your thoughts and suggestions will guide us in making informed decisions that benefit our students and community.

CONTACT US!

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