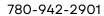


Owl Power - Weekly Update

September 29 - October 3, 2025



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Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday:
Corange Shirt	Truth & Reconciliation Day ~No School~	Kindergarten Day!		Kindergarten Day! Backwards Day! (Wear your clothes backwards)
Day				Fire Drill - AM
Alberta Education Literacy & Numeracy Screener Testing				

Truth & Reconciliation - September 22 - 30

Information provided by Heather Gillison, Grade 4 and School Counsellor

- <u>Treaties & Treaty Relationships</u> Many people think that Treaties are about the past. Yes, they are about he past, but they are also about the present and future. They are central to what it means to be Canadian. Learning about Treaties gives Little Owls a chance to reflect on our shared history and to learn why "we are all treaty people."
- <u>Land Acknowledgements</u>- Land Acknowledgements are not new and have existed for hundreds of years prior to the arrival of settlers to Turtle Island. When Indigenous Peoples visited other territories, it was, and still is, customary to respect and acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land. At Ochre Park, Little Owls read a Land Acknowledgement over the announcements daily and as they learn more about them, classes write personalized Land Acknowledgements that are then shared on morning announcements.
- <u>Orange Shirt Day</u> In June 2021, the federal government announced the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is to be recognized on September 30th each year. Since 2013, September 30th has been known as Orange Shirt Day; a day to recognize the tragic history and legacy of residential schools through the story of Phyllis Webstad. We encourage all Little Owls to wear orange on September 29th to commemorate this important day.

Coming Up Quick!

- School Pictures- October 8 & 9 (volunteers required)
- October 6 10 Fire Prevention Week
- October 13 Thanksgiving No School
- October 14 PD Day No School

Football Game this Saturday! An opportunity presented by our School Council!



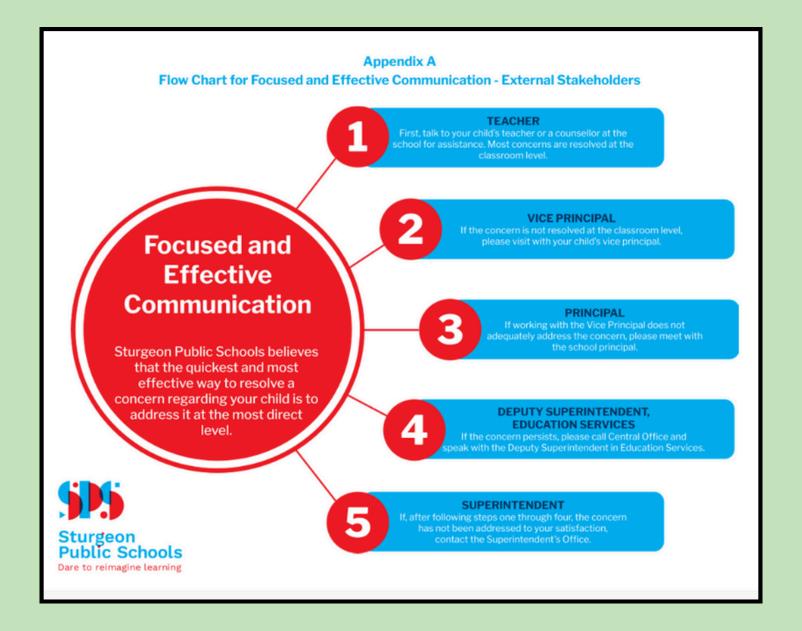
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SPSD Focused and Effective Communication Procedure

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A note about our Driving Loop



Please continue to use the driving loop (indicated by the yellow arrows in the image below) 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 and are asked to do so while you wait for your Little Owl to arrive at the pick-up location (indicated by the green smiley face in the image below) at the end of the day.

If you are dropping off your Little Owl and are walking them to their door, you are 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. Please refrain from parking in the school parking lot as it can block traffic and clear lines of sight.

Safety is our top priority and we want to ensure that all of our Little Owls can get to where they need to be promptly at the start and end of the day. Please note- this is a ONE WAY driving loop and path through the parking lot - do not drive it in the opposite direction. The entrance is at the start of the parking lot where staff cars are parked.

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.



