



## October 2018 OceanViewer

# Upcoming Dates:

- Oct 1 - Treaty Day
- Oct 2 - SAC 5:30pm ; PTO 6:30pm - All welcome!
- Oct 8-12 Fire Drill sometime this week
- Oct 9 - Bus evacuation (Rain date Oct 25th)
- Oct 10 - Nourish Your Roots order forms DUE
- Oct 11 - Picture day (Retakes Nov 8)
- Oct 17 - PD day - no students present
- Oct 23- Nourish Your Roots Pickup
- Oct 25 - PTO Halloween Dance
- Oct 26 - Provincial PD day - no students present

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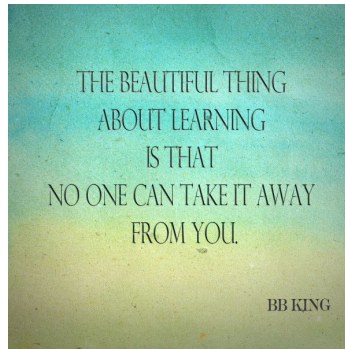
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## Sweater weather!

It feels like sweater weather is here! It is a beautiful time of year with the leaves changing yet the sun is shining brightly. Of course, this time of year often brings rain, rain, rain. Please ensure that your child has proper rain attire. If it is raining out in the morning before first bell, a sign will be posted to let you know if students are coming in to the main lobby or not. However, there are just too many little bodies for the parents to join. Please “kiss and go” so that we can keep our main foyer as clear as possible.

On a more serious note, we are continuing to have people disregard the street signage with regards to parking. We have seen children run out in the middle of the road to go across to their parents which is very unsafe. We block off our parking lot before and after school specifically because we don't want cars driving in the area where our students are. PLEASE respect this! **PLEASE do NOT remove the pylons and drive through.** Please also consider not parking on the back road. That gets far too congested. **If you are coming to pick up your child, park in the parking lot at the bottom of the main street and walk up the hill.** Lots to read about in this newsletter! Have a wonderful October!

~Mamoona Brace (principal) & Martha Walsh (Vice Principal)

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## SAC update

When dropping off and picking up your child please do not park on both sides of the road, the signs are posted for a reason and the flow will be better for everyone. With winter coming we really need to be diligent with where we are parking in order to prevent accidents from happening. These are our children and we want them safe, take the time and park down in the parking lot at the bottom of the hill.

Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the office or myself (Ashley Whynot, SAC Chair) at [awhynot@live.com](mailto:awhynot@live.com).

Our second meeting of the year is **October 2nd in the school library at 5:30 pm**. All are welcome and encouraged to come out and support our students, help be a voice for your child.

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## Breakfast Program:



Nourish Nova Scotia's Nourish Your Roots Healthy School Fundraiser is in full swing at Ocean View!

Students will be taking orders for boxes **until October 10th**, filled with fresh Nova Scotia produce grown by our local farmers. Boxes will contain 8 to 10 Nova Scotia grown items and cost \$30 each, paid by cash or cheque. The money raised will directly support and sustain our school's healthy food programs and updating Ocean Views kitchen, while also supporting local farmers. **Boxes will be available for pickup between 1:00-6:00 pm on October 23rd.**

For more information and/or to order your Nourish Your Roots Box, please contact us at [awhynot@live.com](mailto:awhynot@live.com).

If you'd like to help out or get involved with the Breakfast program please reach out to us at [oceanview.breakfast@outlook.com](mailto:oceanview.breakfast@outlook.com).

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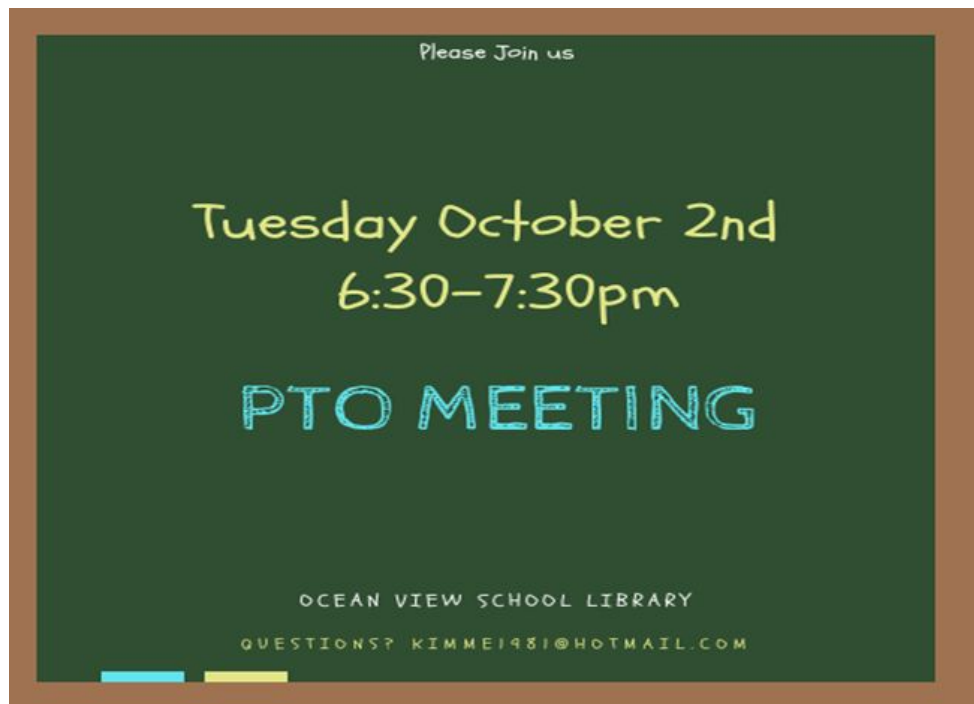
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## PTO:

### PTO Update

September sure flew by! October is always a fun month for the students at Ocean View!! Be sure to watch for the Halloween Dance presale tickets that will be coming home this week. Our Bucks for books campaign will also launch!! 50/50 tickets will come home with your student... The 50/50 will be used in our Library Update project!

Want to find out more??? Join our team, time commitment is on an individual basis! Volunteer what you can!! It is appreciated!



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### **PTO HOSTED EVENTS- Presale Tickets**

The PTO will have a new procedure for the 2018-2019 school year in regard to afterhour "PTO hosted events" at the school.

To ensure that we stay within the fire code regulations, pre-sale tickets will be sent home with students prior to the event. **There will be a limited number of tickets available.** It will be very important for parents/guardians to purchase these tickets when they are sent home **IF** you want to ensure that your student & family member are guaranteed admission. Please check our "Ocean View Parents" Facebook page on the day of the event to keep updated about the status of available tickets.

**To avoid disappointment please purchase the presale tickets when they go home.**

**90's Dance and silent Auction-** The PTO are actively seeking donations for the 90's Dance and silent auction! For pick up or question please call the school or email [kimme1981@hotmail.com](mailto:kimme1981@hotmail.com)

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Halloween Howl Dance



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November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 Parents Night Out Dance and Auction 90's theme



<https://www.facebook.com/events/275322909963816/>

Kim Preeper, PTO Chair

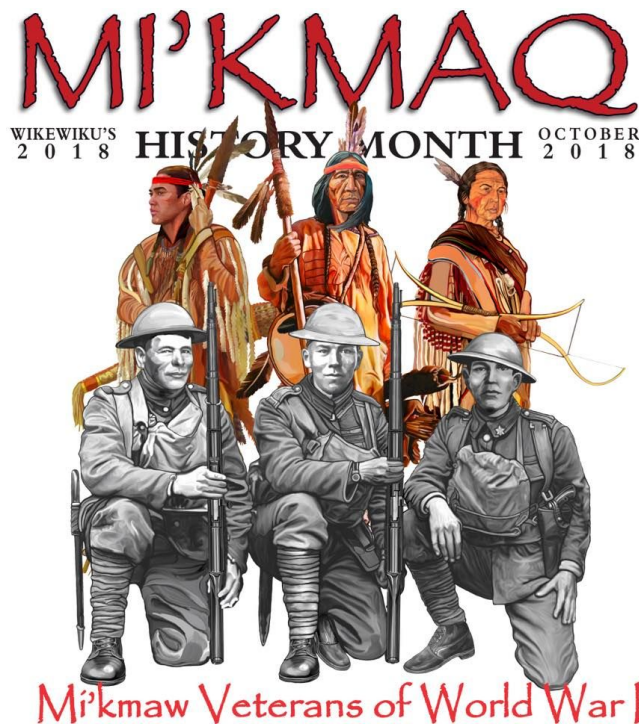
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## Terry Fox

Thank you to our Ocean View Community! We surpassed our goal of \$500! What a beautiful thing.

## October is Mi'kmaq History Month



Mi'kmaq History Month is held every October in Nova Scotia. It is a time to recognize and celebrate Mi'kmaw culture and heritage, beginning with Treaty Day on October 1. Treaty Day commemorates the Treaty of 1752 between the people of Mi'kma'ki and the Crown. This treaty was intended to show



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the Crown's intentions to make peace, provide trading posts, and protect the land and way of life for the Mi'kmaw people.

Mi'kmaq History Month 2018 commemorates *sma'knisk*, the Mi'kmaw warriors and soldiers who fought in World War I. More than 200 Mi'kmaw *sma'knisk* from across Atlantic Canada enlisted to serve; at least 89 were from Nova Scotia. They chose to serve a country that did not recognize them as citizens, and risked their First Nation status during enlistment, as one could not be a Canadian citizen and have status as a First Nation person at this time. **Wela'liek sma'knisk**, we honour you for your courage and dedication that protected generations to come.

For more information, please go to: <http://mikmaqhistorymonth.ca/>

## Remembrance Day

In honor of those who have served or are serving in our community, we create a "Wall of Honor". We ask families to send pictures in of loved ones who are serving or have served in the past and we post them on our wall. If you would like to participate in this, please send the pictures in with your child to their teacher.

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## WHALE DAY:

What a fun day for our grades 1-3! They were able to visualize how big whales are and learned all about the purpose of blubber. Thank you to the Irving Volunteers that came and the staff members from the New England Aquarium that drove all the way up from Boston!

## Bell Times

8:25- Students may arrive (please note there is NO supervision before this time- students should not be on our school grounds before this time)

8:30: Bell rings to go into school

8:45: Instructional time begins

10:15-10:30: Recess

11:45-12:45 : Lunch time

2:45: Dismissal

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## Student Safety

### Morning Drop off

Supervision in the mornings begins at 8:25am. There is NO supervision before this. OceanView Road can get very congested very quickly. Please respect the signage and continue to keep the lines moving. Park at the bottom of the hill in the gravel parking lot and walk up.

### After school Pick Up

Please note that messages left on our school voicemail may not be received before the end of the day. If you are changing the after school pick up at all, please communicate this with the teacher ahead of time. **Please wait outside for your children. Parents are not allowed to wait inside the building as this can cause confusion at the end of the day.** Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### Visiting the school

**ALL visitors MUST check in at the office regardless of your reason for coming to the school. There are no exceptions to this.** There is a sign in sheet at the front desk. If you need to go somewhere in our building, you can get a visitors tag from Ms. Diggs after you have signed in.

### Appointments

If your child has an appointment and will be late, please let the teacher know **in writing** and let Ms. Diggs know. If you are coming to pick up your child, you must come into the building and sign out your child.

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## Communication

The school will be communicating mostly via email. Please ensure that we have your most updated email. As well, you can go into Powerschool and choose which numbers will be called if we do a voice alert. If you don't have your Powerschool login, you can contact the main office.

Our website (<https://ove.hrce.ca/>) and twitter account ([@Ocean\\_View\\_Elem](https://twitter.com/Ocean_View_Elem)) are both great ways to keep up with what is going on. Newsletters are sent out by email and posted on the website. If you require a printed copy, please contact the main office.

Open communication between home and school is very important. **Families and School Staff are a team who are working together to support the children of Ocean View's learning.** If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

