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THE OCEANVIEWER OCTOBER 2016

IMPORTANT DATES	
P.T.O. MEETING @ 6:30 PM	OCTOBER 4
SAC MEETING @ 6:30 PM	OCTOBER 18
BUS EVACUATION 9:30AM	OCTOBER 7
GRADE 4 TRIP TO BLUE BEACH FOSSIL N	NUSEUM OCTOBER 7
THANKSGIVING DAY HOLIDAY (NO CLAS	SSES) OCTOBER 10
OSCAR ASSEMBLY @ 11:00 AM	OCTOBER 21
PICTURE/CLASS RETAKES	OCTOBER 25
P.T.O. HALLOWEEN DANCE 6:30-8PM	OCTOBER 27
PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE DAY (NO CLAS	SSES) OCTOBER 28
P.T.O. MEETING @ 6:30 PM	NOVEMBER 1
REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY 11:00AM	NOVEMBER 10
P.T.O. MOVIE NIGHT@ 6:30 PM	NOVEMBER 10
REMEMBRANCE DAY HOLIDAY (NO CLASS	SES) NOVEMBER 11
ASSESSMENT & EVALUATION DAY (NO CLASSES)	NOVEMBER 14
REPORT CARDS GO HOME	NOVEMBER 25
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS 6-8PM	NOVEMBER 30
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY (NO CLASSES)	DECEMBER 1
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS 1-4 PM	DECEMBER 1

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We have completed the month of September and students and their families are getting into the rhythm and routine of school. The teachers have worked hard to provide interesting and engaging lessons for our students to advance their learning.

Our support staff members are working hard to guide students who need more help to engage in the lessons that teachers are providing and we continue to require assistance from families have as much information as possible to help our students learn each and every day.

Ms. Williams Hart

REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

Ocean View Elementary has planned a Remembrance Day Assembly in honour of our veterans who have served and those presently serving in the Canadian Armed Forces. It is our intent to show our respect and to thank them for their dedication and sacrifice. It will take place on Thursday November 10th. We will compile a Wall of Honour and you are welcome to send in photos or other items to be shared with our students and school community. All students in grades P-4 will attend the assembly in our gymnasium from 11:00-11:45 am.

TERRY FOX

We want to day "thank you" to everyone who contributed to our fundraising in support of cancer research we raised \$463.40 thanks to you!

LITERACY TIP

Read, read, read with your child and listen to your child reading to you. Even if your child is reading the story to you through the pictures and can tell you what is going on in the story that is the start of reading and understanding.

MATH TIP

Try simple games to practice math with your child. How many gray cars do you see? Skip count by 2's, 3's, 5's or 10's. Listen to your child counting to the highest number they can.

TRAFFIC

Please do not drive onto school property when students are outside playing. We have had a few close calls and we want to keep all of our students safe. Students are outside from 8:20-8:40am, 10:15-10:30am, 12-12:45pm, 2:15-2:50pm and Excel from 3:30-5:30pm.

SCENT AND NUT AWARE

Please remember, Ocean View Elementary is a scent and nut aware school. For the safety of our students and staff, please do not send foods containing nuts and please refrain from wearing scents or using scented laundry products while at school. Some of our students and staff members have life threatening allergies to nuts. Thank-you for your care and diligence when sending in snacks and lunches. We appreciate your support in keeping our school safe and our students and staff healthy.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)

The School Advisory is a Provincial Department of Education mandated group of parents, staff and community members who meet 6 times a year. The SAC advises the principal, staff, school board and department on policies, programs, communication and other duties outlined in the Education Act. The SAC consists of 3 parents, 3 staff members and 2 community members. Our next meeting will take place on Tuesday October 18, at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

VOLUNTEERING AT OCEAN VIEW

We appreciate and value the time that family members give to the school as volunteers. At the same time, we must ensure that our students are always safe.

In keeping with HRSB policy, all volunteers in the school must:

- 1. Complete a criminal record check
- 2. Complete a child abuse registry

If you need a child abuse registry form, please google nova scotia child abuse register request for search (form A).

Send in this form and bring the document to the main office. We'll take a copy.

If you need a criminal record check, you can do it at the local RCMP detachment or online at http://backcheck.net/. If you are going to the local RCMP detachment, you will need a letter from the school. This is a form letter and can be done very quickly. Bring a copy of your criminal record check to the office and we will take a copy.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION

Please remember that there is no supervision on the school grounds until 8:20 am. Please do not have your child arrive before this time.

SAFE ARRIVAL

If your child will not be attending school or will arrive late please call the Safe Arrival Line at 902-465-8737 or the main office at 902-465-8670. A message may be left on the answering machine. If your child becomes ill during the day, we will call you.

LUNCH MONITORS

Substitute lunch monitors are needed for the 2016-2017 school year. Shifts are **1.00hr/day**. The current hourly wage is \$12.76/ hr. plus 4% vacation pay. Please call or visit the school office if you are interested in being a lunch monitor 902-465-8670. More info can also be found on the HRSB website at www.hrsb.ns.ca.

LUNCH ORDERS

The Souper Duper Soup order form included Friday October 28, which is Provincial Conference Day and there is no school, so those orders will be delivered on Tuesday November 8. The lunches will be delivered on Tuesdays and Fridays, October 11, 14, 18, 21, 25, November 1, and 8.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

Please send a complete change of clothes to school for your child, just in case of mud, rain etc.

STUDENT AGENDAS

Student agendas have been purchased for students in grades 1 to 4. The cost is \$6.00. Please send your cash payment into the homeroom teacher as soon as possible.

STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE (SIP)

To register your child for the Gold Plan go online at sip.ca

COUNSELLING CORNER

Welcome back! My name is Donna Meaney and I am the school counsellor.

If you have concerns about your child, feel free to give me a call at one of the numbers listed below. I will try to schedule sessions to avoid absences from specialist classes. My door is always open if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to working with you and your child. 465-8670 (Main Office) 465-8040 (Ms. Meaney's Office).

October Counselling Corner

The importance of Emotional Awareness

It is very important that children recognize feelings in themselves and others and understand that all feelings are okay. Children who are able to identify how they feel are often better able to communicate their needs. They are also more likely to understand the feelings of their friends, classmates and the grown-ups in their lives. This builds empathy (the ability to recognize another person's emotions), which is a crucial life skill.

Becoming comfortable with their feelings is important as children face new challenges and learn to manage their changing emotions.

Here are simple things you can do at home to help your child learn more about emotions.

- Ask your child how they are feeling. List some feeling words to choose from.
- Share how you are feeling. Be specific.
- Play feelings charades. Show your feelings on your face and body.
- Read stories with your child and talk about how the characters are feeling.

Consider reading some of these books about feelings:

<u>In My Heart</u> by Janan Cain
<u>In My Heart</u> by Jo Witek
<u>How are you Peeling</u>? By Saxton Freymann
<u>When Sophie Gets Angry</u> by Molly Bang
<u>Andrew's Angry Words</u> by Dorothea Lachner



Indigo love of reading foundation Adopt a School

We are presently at 174/300, the deadline is October 9^{th} , if you haven't made a donation and wish to, please make it by Sunday the 9^{th} . We really appreciate your support.