



Hooper's School Bell #6



ÉCOLE OLDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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OES - A Happy Place to Live, to Learn, to Grow

Thursday, February 3rd, 2011

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Vice Principal: Mrs. Debbie Thompson

FROM THE PRINCIPAL Mr. Ray Hoppins

Values

In years to come, your students may forget what you taught them, but they will always remember how you made them feel."

- Author Unknown

One of the most important roles that a school system plays is the role of caregiver. We want our children to feel a sense of belonging and hope – an understanding that they are safe and cared for.

Young children tend to be pretty positive little beings. They come to school with a smile on their face and carry the smile home with them at the end of the day. But sometimes, just like adults, children experience unhappiness and loneliness. At school, these feelings tend to disappear following a heart-to-heart talk with a teacher or a friend, some physical activity, a little fresh air, or a break from the daily routine.

When children or families look for additional support, Ms. Lynne Lafreniere, our full-time Family School Wellness Worker is happy to help. Each day, Ms. Lafreniere helps children regain their sense of belonging and hope through a wide variety of hands-on strategies.

In addition, OES and CESD are proud to sponsor a unique initiative called the Youth Empowerment and Support (YES) program. The YES program provides OES with youth Mentors who facilitate fun activities for kids (during and after school) while coaching children in the areas of decision-making and resiliency. We actually have four youth mentors (Mandy, Kaylee, Curtis, and Eric) that spend time at OES. They make a big difference at our school!

We are fortunate to have these two programs in our school. If you have any questions about them, please don't hesitate to call.



OES SCIENCE FAIR 2011

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

The science fair is quickly approaching. The student displays will be set up in the morning of February 8th from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. and judging will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Public viewing will be from 12:45 – 3:00 p.m. and in the evening from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Entries selected to move on to the Divisional Science Fair will receive a package after the OES Fair on February 8. Selections will be made by the judges.

Thanks to all those volunteers who are making this year's fair possible!

Kindergarten & Grade One Registrations

We are now accepting all pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and grade one registrations for students who will be new to our school this fall. Please check our website at www.oldselementary.ca or stop by the office for forms and additional information.



FRENCH WINTER CARNIVAL

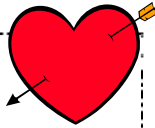
The winter carnival is coming up for all of the French Immersion classes and the Grade 4 students on **Thursday, February 17th from 12:50 – 3:00 p.m.**

We have the students participate in this carnival as a cultural experience, which coincides with the winter carnival in Quebec. It is a fun learning experience where the students are encouraged to use some of the French they have been learning.

To make this afternoon run smoothly, we need to have a minimum of 2 volunteers from each class to help with the various stations around the schoolyard. Volunteers will help to set up and take down the equipment, as well as man the stations in the afternoon. Contact Mme Atkins at OES 556-8477.

GRADE FOUR LEADERSHIP CLUB

February 14th – All students are invited to wear Red, White & Pink Today!



MUSIC NEWS

Lois Munchinsky

The **choir** continues to practice diligently each week. On Tuesday, February 22nd, they will be singing for Senior's Luncheon at the First Baptist Church. They are also looking forward to performing at the Kiwanis Music Festival in March. We will be sure to let you know when their performance will be so that you may come and support these wonderful hard-working singers.

Also, please mark Wednesday, March 2nd at 2:15 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. on your calendars so that you can come and see the grade 3 performance called "**Mighty Minds**". This fun and energetic assembly will remind us all of the fun, challenges and excitement of learning. You won't want to miss it!

We are also working on rescheduling a performance from Sun Ergos. In January, this drama team was supposed to present "**Moccasin Tracks**", but an injury to one of the actors prevented them from coming. Once a new date has been chosen, we'll pass on that information to you so that you can mark your calendar and join us for the show.

REMINDER

PREORDERED FUN LUNCH DAY

Please note all students must still bring a healthy snack for the a.m. recess break

Dairy Queen Hot Dogs
Friday, February 18th, 2011



(Includes a plain hotdog with ketchup and mustard provided, Juice Box and Jello)

Hello from the Ecole Olds Elementary School C.A.R.E Club...

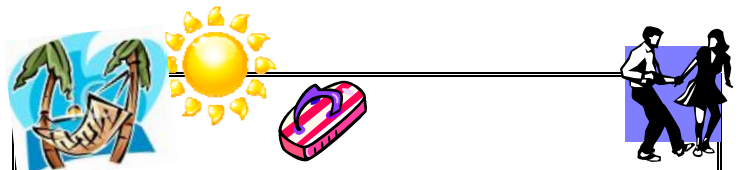
Another month has passed and we have been busy with three different areas of our club. Each month we learn from other people about their cultures and experiences around the world; we work on whatever fundraiser we have going at the time to raise money for the school we are building in India and we are always involved in an "Act of Kindness" within our own community.

We have just had a couple of guest speakers. Two from Afghanistan, and a former Olds Elementary School principal, Ms. Johnson. The speakers from Afghanistan talked about their childhood in Afghanistan and how they escaped their home country and the Taliban. Ms. Johnson talked about the school she assisted in building in Sierra Leone with the help of the students from Innisfail Middle School when she was principal there.

All the order forms have come in for the Coco Brooks Pizza Fundraiser. We'll be letting you know what the grand total is when the fundraiser is complete. We walked up to the Olds Food Bank last week and donated approximately 405 pounds of food worth \$1013.00 which the Leadership Club had collected during the Sock Hops they put on in December.

Thank you for all the support with the Coco Brooks Fundraiser. Our next Fundraisers are the CONCESSION AT THE SOCK HOP and a USED BOOK SALE during the third week of March after school and in the evening.

Reported by: Noah, Helena, and Keara



OES FAMILY BEACH DAY SOCK HOP

Students are invited to wear their beach clothes at school for the day. Come dance the night away on **Thursday, February 10th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** at our Family Beach Day Sock Hop! Enjoy an evening of dancing and fun with the entire family. Admission is \$5.00 per family.

Hot Dog, Chips, Juice or Water will be sold for \$1 each. All proceeds will be donated to the OES CARE Club to support the Building of a School in India.

École Olds Elementary School

is now accepting registrations for

- ✓ Pre-Kindergarten
- ✓ Kindergarten
- ✓ French Immersion



- ♥ English and French Immersion Programming ♥ Pre-Kindergarten for 3 and 4 year-olds ♥ A Focus on Literacy, Numeracy, Fine Arts, and Physical Activity ♥ Music and Physical Education Specialists
- ♥ Extensive Learning Supports ♥ Values-Based School Community
- ♥ Interactive SMART Board Technology ♥ Before & After School Care



Stop by our school or visit us online at

www.oldselementary.ca

Phone 403-556-8477

Expressing Our Values Everyday

Our five values focus on the type of character development we provide for our students and the school environment we work to cultivate. We are pleased to see so many activities taking place in every one of our schools that reflect our value statements. There are countless examples, large and small, of our values in action each day throughout Chinook's Edge.

We are pleased with the work our teachers and staff are doing to be strong models for students. Our students, in turn, are making us very proud by the efforts they are making. Every day in our schools and in the larger community, our students are engaged in activities that show us they are learning about core values that are shaping their character and impacting our world.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools

Chinook's Edge Values...
Personal responsibility,
Relationships based upon honesty, integrity, respect and compassion,
Dedication and commitment,
An environment of belonging: safe, caring and inclusive,
Growth and development through learning.

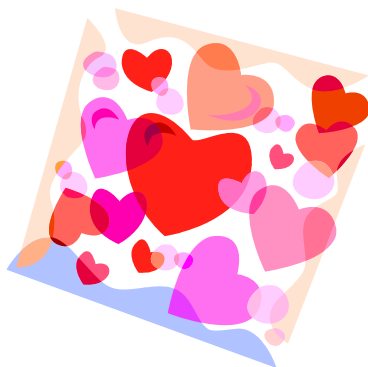
COMMUNITY NEWS

OLDS AIR CADETS BOTTLE DRIVE

185 Olds Air Cadets are having a bottle drive on Saturday February 26th, 2011 from 9am-3pm. If you have any bottles/cans that you would like to donate please leave them in a bag by your door and label it: Olds Air Cadets. Thank-you for your support!

BREAK OF DAY - February 16th, 2011

Roasted Chicken and all the fixings!
Practical Break for the Single Parent Family in our Community.
Dinner and childcare free.
Third Wednesday of each month
5:00 - 7:00 Dinner
5005 - 53rd Avenue
Fellowship Hall West Entrance
First Baptist Church
Call Cindy @ 403-556-6847
Email: lcpalin@shaw.ca
*commissioned childcare workers
*registrations required to notate emergency contact numbers, food allergies, etc.
Parents are welcome to stay and dine, or drop off children for dinner.
To provide an opportunity for a practical break!
DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!
FOOD ITEMS CAN BE DONATED,
PLEASE RSVP FOR THE COOK'S BENEFIT!



Carstairs Corsairs Fencing Club

Registration and Open House was on Tuesday, January 12th
Our club offers:

Foil Classes – 8 years and up
Epee Classes – 12 years and up

Classes began on Jan. 18th & 19th at the Carstairs Arena. If you are interested please Contact: 403-337-3503 or 403-660-1914.

Carstairs *2nd Annual* *Sledge Hockey Challenge*

Pond Hockey
\$10/player
(Includes main event)
To pre-register
contact Bev smith
403-337-0125
basmith50@shaw.ca
Limited space
available



Proudly Sponsored
by Town of Carstairs
Contact:
Bev Smith 403-337-0125
Suzanne Young 403-337-1997

Carstairs Memorial Arena
Sunday, March 13, 2011
Pond Hockey Games:
10:30 – 11:30 6-9 years
11:30-12:30 10-13 years
Sledge Hockey Game: 1-3:30

Sledge hockey Game 1-3:30

\$5 entry fee





Under 3 is free

Full concession

Raffle table

Bring your helmets and try out the sleds after the game. Event followed by public skating.

FEBRUARY 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Day 1 Science Fair Entry Forms Due	2 Day 2	3 Day 3	4 Day 4	5
6	7 Day 5	8 Day 6 SCIENCE FAIR  Choir Practice 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	9 Day 1	10  Day 2 Wear your Beach Clothes to school today! OES Family Beach Day Sock Hop 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	11 NO SCHOOL 	12
13	14  Day 3 Students wear Red, White & Pink Today!	15 Day 4 Choir Practice 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	16 Day 5	17 Day 6 Grade 4 and French Immersion Winter Carnival 12:50-3:00 p.m.	18 Day 1 FUN LUNCH DAY	19
20	21 NO SCHOOL Family Day Holiday	22 Day 2 OES Choir Performs at Senior's Luncheon at the First Baptist Church 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Choir Practice 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	23 Day 3	24 NO SCHOOL Teachers' Convention	25 NO SCHOOL Teachers' Convention	26
27	28 Day 4 Parent Council Meeting in Art Room At 12:00 p.m.	1 Day 5 Choir Practice 3:15 – 4:00 p.m.	2 Day 6 Grade 3 Performance Assembly "Mighty Minds" 2:15 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.	3 Day 1	4 NO SCHOOL	5