

# ONGOINGS

## March



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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The winter season is flying past. It is truly a pleasure to walk through the halls of this school, greeting you and your children and looking at the great projects the students have been working on this term. We are fortunate to be part of such a wonderful community.



Make sure that you have noted the dates for our upcoming break: Spring Break is March 13-24. School will resume on Monday, March 27. I hope everyone will have the opportunity to relax and enjoy the time off before coming back to school re-energized for the final term.

### TRACK AND FIELD

Calling all aspiring track and field athletes!! All students in grades 3-7 are invited to join Oppenheimer's Track and Field Team during the month of May. There will be mini-meets during the month of May (dates tbd), which culminates in a day long track meet at Swangard Stadium on Thursday, June 1st, 2017. Stay Tuned!

### TERM TWO CONFERENCES

Term Two Student-Led Conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, March 8 and Thursday, March 9. School will be dismissed at 2:00 on these two days. Term 2 report cards will go home on Friday March 3.



### OPPENHEIMER WEBSITE

Thank you to Mrs. Finch and Ms. Jade Lee for updating and maintaining our school website. Be sure to check it out at <http://go/vsb/bc/ca/schools/oppenheimer>. You will find the latest updates, calendar and interesting information about Oppenheimer.

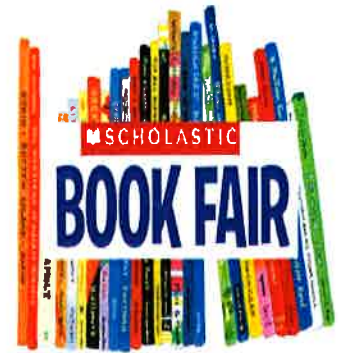
### CLASS GROUP, GRAD, TEAM AND PANORAMA PHOTOGRAPHS

Class Group, Grad, Team and Panorama Photographs will be taken on **Wednesday, March 29**. Finished prints will be delivered approximately four weeks after the photographs are taken. Each student will receive a "Complimentary" print of their class group. You will have the opportunity to order a copy of the grad, team and panorama photo. Ordering information will be provided to you at a later date.

REMEMBER

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR! APRIL 4-5 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

The WE Day group of Oppenheimer students will be running the Scholastic Book Fair in April! The students will be selecting and donating books from the book fair to The South Vancouver Neighborhood House. This will come out of a portion of the credit that the school accumulates from hosting a book fair. Classroom teachers will be choosing time slots during these days to bring their students to the fair to browse and/or purchase books. Parents, friends and other family members are welcome to come during open hours. We thank you in advance for supporting our school on what we are sure will be a successful event!



Me to We Mission Statement: We Schools, [an] educational program, is a model for youth empowerment that challenges young people to act with intention, and lead with compassion and the conviction that together we can transform lives locally and globally.

**PINK DAY**

On Pink Day, Oppenheimer students expressed kindness, respect and acceptance to one another. Student Council members led an inspirational and educational assembly for the school community. The Pink Shirt Project was a success and photos captured will be posted on Ms. Lee's library website – [www.msleelibrary.weebly.com](http://www.msleelibrary.weebly.com)



## GRADE 7 CAMP MEETING

Grade 7 parents please join the Grade 7 teachers on Friday March 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 a.m. in the Library for a camp information session meeting. Food, gear, requirements, accommodations, planned activities and behavior expectations will be discussed.



## OPPENHEIMER PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

The Oppenheimer Area Counsellor, Ms. MacLennan will present a series of six parent information sessions for Oppenheimer parents beginning on March 9<sup>th</sup> 4:00-5:00 p.m. in the Oppenheimer library. Please see the information sheet attached to this newsletter for additional information.

## GET READY FOR THE SPRING CLOTHING & HOUSEWARES DRIVE!

April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup>



Bring in your extra clothes, linen, housewares, toys, books...for our **Cash4Clothes Spring Clothing Drive**. The clothing drive raises funds to support our school activities that directly benefit each student. The more bags you bring equals more funds raised.

Our goal is **one FULL bag or more from each student.**

**\*\*NEW \*\* Drop off days will be changing to Mondays and Tuesdays!** Please drop off your bags on **Mon. Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> & Tues. Apr 4<sup>th</sup> before school** (truck will pick up on Wednesday morning).

Simply leave the bags outside your child's classroom along the wall in the morning.

Bag and notice will go home with the students before Spring Break.

**Extra empty bags will be available in front of school office.**

Also, if you have an extra hour to spare on the clothing drive mornings, please meet us at school in front of the office. We can use your help to move, sort and count all the bags. Feel free to contact Sue Clarke at [suzannemclarke@gmail.com](mailto:suzannemclarke@gmail.com) for more information.

Sue Clarke, PAC Clothing Drive Coordinator

*\*This project is in partnership with the Developmental Disabilities Association of BC*

## LOST AND FOUND

Our Lost and Found box is getting full. Please have your child(ren) check for personal articles. All remaining items will be donated to a local charity at 3:00 on March 10, 2017.

## PARKING BYLAWS

As part of the caring Oppenheimer community, please note the cars may park in front of homes legally for up to three hours only. If you wish to see additional information, please visit the City of Vancouver website at <http://vancouver.ca/engsvcs/parking/enf/>



## MOVING?

If your family is considering a change of schools next year, please contact Mrs. Dickson at the office so we can plan accordingly. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday March 1	8:20 Singalong Division 4 - VSO
Thursday March 2	Division 8 - VSO 12:10 VPD vs Sr Boy's BBall in Gym
Friday March 3	9:00-3:00 Division 10 & 11 Cannery 9:15 K Vision Screening 12:10 Subway Day Pizza Order DUE Online <b>Term 2 Reports Home</b>
Wednesday March 8	8:20 Singalong Popcorn Day 2:00 Early Dismissal Student-Led Conferences
Thursday March 9	12:10 Pizza Day 2:00 Early Dismissal Student-Led Conferences
Friday March 10	LAST Day Before Spring Vacation Pizza Orders DUE Online
March 13-24	SPRING VACATION
Wednesday March 29	9:00 Class and Panorama Photos Lockdown Drill
Friday March 31	8:30 a.m. Parent Meeting re Grade 7 Camp 12:10 Pizza Day Subway Orders DUE Online



# Welcome SPRING

# MARCH 2017

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			<b>1</b> 8:20 Singalong Div 4 VSO	<b>2</b> Div 8 VSO 12:10 VPD vs Sr Boy's BBall at Lunch 7:00 Grad Committee Meeting	<b>3</b> 9:00 Div 10/11 Cannery 9:15 K Vision Screening 12:10 Subway Day Pizza Orders DUE Online Term 2 Reports Home	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 9:00-12:00 Rio Tiinto in Gym	<b>7</b> 9:00-12:00 Rio Tinto in Gym	<b>8</b> 8:20 Singalong 9:00-12:00 Rio Tinto in Gym Popcorn 2:00 Early Dismissal Student-Led Conferences	<b>9</b> 12:10 Pizza Day 2:00 Early dismissal Student-Led Conferences 4:00 Counsellor Pre- Teen Parenting Sessions in the Library	<b>10</b> Last Day Before Spring Vacation Pizza Orders DUE Online 3:00 Lost and Found Donated to a Local Charity	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
			<h2>MARCH 13-24</h2>			
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<h2>MARCH 13-24</h2>						
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> First Day Back from Spring Vacation	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 9:00 Class/Group and Panorama Photos Lockdown Drill Purdy's Order Deadline	<b>30</b> 4:00 Counsellor Pre- Teen Parenting Sessions in the Library	<b>31</b> 8:30 Grade 7 Camp Parent Meeting 12:10 Pizza Day Subway Orders Due Online	

Wednesday February 15<sup>th</sup>

Oppenheimer Elementary is pleased to present:

### ***HELPING PARENTS MAKE a DIFFERENCE***

Please join me (Area Counsellor Jacqueline MacLennan) for 6 informative parent info sessions from 4:00 to 5:00 in the Oppenheimer library on the following dates:

Thursday March 02nd

Thursday March 09th

Thursday March 30th

Thursday April 06th

Thursday April 13

Thursday April 20th

### **Helping Parents of Pre-Teens Make a Difference**

- Research has shown that parents provide the single greatest influence on their pre-teen's self-worth, values, choices and outlooks.
- Our goal is to work together to strengthen parents' confidence and ability to positively influence the lives of their school-aged children and support the transition to adolescence.
- Strengthen their pre-teen's self-confidence, esteem and worth
- Positively influence their pre-teen's choices, values and goals
- Promote positive youth development, foster resilience in middle childhood and adolescence, and strengthen family relationships.
- Positively influence their pre-teen's choices, values and goals
- Support their tweens in making healthy decisions

Let's learn to build stronger relationship with your pre-teen child.

Gain confidence and skills to be a positive influence on your child

Learn about unique risks that facing today's teens

Teach you how to prevent risk-taking behaviours later in your tween's life

More information about this group will be forthcoming.

Looking forward to working together

Jacqueline MacLennan