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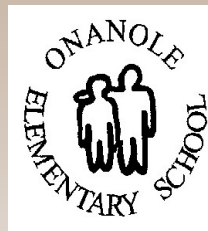
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21<sup>st</sup>

International Day of Peace– September 21st  
Orange Shirt Day – September 30  
Terry Fox Run – October 2 (more details TBA)

goodbye, august  
hello, september



## Principals Message

With two weeks of school in the books, things are starting to feel more settled. Students and staff are getting used to our new routines and procedures. It is definitely a more difficult transition back to school for all of us and we were certainly prepared for some challenges for students around that transition back. Our time away was much longer and we expect it to take a little longer to adapt to being back at school. It is wonderful to see all those faces and hear their laughter in the halls and on the playground.

As we go forward through the year, please don't hesitate to call or email if you have questions or concerns. The first contact should be with your child's teacher and I am also available during my office hours. Leave a message on my office extension 471 and I will get back to you in a timely manner.

We are so appreciative of our school community and although things may be different this year reconnecting with our students and families is our main priority. We look forward to working alongside parents to carry out our UNESCO beliefs: Learning to know, Learning to Do, Learning to be and Learning to live together.

Take care of yourselves and each other.

Mrs. P Ryznar

# Kindergarten!

## Kindergarten News by Mrs. Lindsay

Happy International Day of Peace everyone. The kindergarten students have a good idea about what peace means to them. This is what they had to say. Peace means to be kind, share, take turns, go to bed when asked, help others, and use kind words. They made special kites to celebrate the day and learned how to be patient when waiting for help.

Fall is a wonderful time to explore the outdoors and appreciate nature. We will be venturing outside to investigate the world around us. Our first science theme is on trees. If your child has some interesting leaves from their yard that they would like to share with the class, please send them to school this week. We will be doing leaf pressing and art activities while learning all about trees and the changing of the season. All in all, we have had a great start.

We are learning new routines and getting to know one another. Free choice is everyone's favorite activity throughout the day, and we are learning how to work more independently when we are working in the classroom. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please use the planner to communicate with me, email, or phone the school. We are going to have a great year!



# 1st

# 2nd GRADE

Welcome back! It is so nice to be back in the school. The grade 1/2 class have been working hard adjusting to our new routine and rules. In literacy, the grade 1's have been reviewing letters and letter sounds, while our grade 2's have been working on their writing by journaling. This week we will be talking and writing about what gives us peace to celebrate International Day of Peace (September 21).

In math we are working on counting to 100 by 10's and 1's through song and dance. We are wrapping up our unit on patterning. We have been working on making and extending patterns by using a variety of shapes, colors and stickers. This week, we will begin representing numbers different ways through tally marks, ten frames and pictures. We have also been playing math games such as BINGO and ten frame war. This week we will start our Social Science topic on solids, liquids, and gas. Students will be working on sorting whether something is solid, liquid and gas. We will discuss important vocabulary and how properties can change from one state to another through freezing, melting, evaporation, dissolving etc.

Have a great week!  
Miss Ushey



A BIG THANK YOU to Mrs. Wilman for keeping our school so clean and sanitized!! Your hard work is so greatly appreciated by the staff and students :)



The Grade 3/4s have been busy learning our new classroom routines over the last few weeks. Here are some of the things that we have been learning:

**Math:** We are currently working on our number strategies including ordering numbers from greatest to least, comparing numbers using greater than and less than and representing numbers using base ten blocks.

**ELA:** We have just started our class read aloud "Charlotte's Web" and are excited to learn about Wilbur and Fern. We are also learning how to accurately summarize the books we are reading and have started our spelling sorts.

**Science:** We are so excited to be learning about structures. We LOVE building structures out of different materials to test for strengths and weaknesses.

**Social Studies:** We are currently learning about the Canadian provinces and territories.

Just a reminder that our Flipgrid homework assignments are due on Friday.

Stay safe!  
Miss Krahn



Welcome back! It is great to have the kids back in class. We have the first 2 weeks of school under our belts and are well into our new class and school routines.

The kids have their Planners, and we will take time each day to fill them in with any upcoming assignments, etc. Notes to me or other teachers can be written in them as well.

**Here is what we are up to in our classes:**

Math – Review of Addition & Subtraction and Place Value Unit

ELA – Literacy Choices

Science – Diversity of Living Things Unit

Social Studies – Immigration Unit

Phys. Ed. – Soccer & Low Organized Games

Health – My Exclusive Story Article

**REMINDERS:**

Next TUSC Meeting – September 29

Orange Shirt Day – September 30

Terry Fox Run – October 2

If you have any questions related to assignments, etc. please get in touch with me. Have a great week.

S. Stephenson



**Terry Fox Run**

The Onanole School Terry Fox Run will be taking place Friday, October 2. More details about the format and online fundraising will be sent out soon.

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8th Grade



Welcome back everyone, it's so nice to see all the familiar faces and meet the new ones! Two weeks in already and things are flowing along nicely. The students have adjusted very well to all the new routines and seem happy to be back.

Around the Classroom:

7 Math: we did some reachback by looking at place value before learning about changing decimals to fractions and vice versa. We'll have a quick assessment by the end of the week on this before adding in per cents.

8 Math: we did some reachback on adding/subtracting integers before learning about multiplying/dividing them. We're working on order of operations before a quick assessment by week's end.

Social Studies: we've been looking at why we study history and the differences that exist in the historical sources that we have available. We will be beginning to look at perspective in history and how that affects history and our present views.

Science: we have dived into looking at what fluids are and how they are different than solids. This week's focus is on how we can affect the viscosity of fluids through a variety of experiments.

French: for the time being French periods are being used as math reachback to help get everyone reacquainted with the math outcomes from last year so we can carry forward with this year's.

Health: we began to discuss some of the emotional/social changes that teenagers begin to experience leading up to and during puberty. We will look at what causes puberty and some of the physical changes that also come with it.

Have a great first day of fall!

I am very excited to be teaching the grade 7/8 ELA again this year. It has always been one of my favorite subjects to teach and I am already so impressed with the writing I have read.

Our focus this month is on reconnecting with each other, sharing our stories and digging into some of our moments or memories. We will be looking at how we can read like a writer and read like a reader and apply those strategies to our own choice reading books. We just set up a class Flip Grid and students will be filming their first responses due this Friday. We will view their video clips in class. I am excited to see what they come up with to share. They can take home their devices to film their clips or use their own device.

#### Grade 5/6 Writer's workshop

I will be working with the grade 5/6 class this year through Writing Workshop. Our focus this month is on reconnecting with each other, sharing our stories and digging into some of our moments or memories. We will also be using some paragraph frames to help us structure our paragraphs.

Shops – Ashley Delorme will be doing our “shops” program here at the school. She will be here every Day 5 morning to do some neat things with the class. The students were able to give some input on what they might like to do and she has created a plan for the year. She will be communicating with you about those details this week. Please send back the permission form, coming home today with students tomorrow.

Mrs. Ryznar

#### Hello and Welcome to Shops/Home Ec for the 2021 school year!

We will be doing a variety of activities throughout the coming year, I will communicate them to you each month to keep you in the loop.

September 22: Intro to Photography

Students will be using their phones to take pictures in the community after learning the basics. If your child has a cell phone, please have them bring it to school on the 22nd. We will be going offsite later in the morning to take pictures.

Sept 30: Drama + Hike

We will be playing drama games and then going for a hike in the Onanole area. Please note that we will be offsite for part of the morning.

Please ensure that students come dressed for the weather and have good walking shoes.

I look forward to working with and getting to know you and your children this year!

Ashley Delorme

