

APPLE SEEDS

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

June is upon us. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our School Community, Students, Staff and Parents for a wonderful year. Our School Council and Parent Volunteers have provided so many opportunities for our students through funding activities and attending events to support students.

We are excited to announce that the new irrigation system was put in for the garden. Thank you to Zoe Tait and Sophie Lynge for all of their work on organizing the garden and making this next step happen. It is exciting to see all of the curriculum connections that our teachers can make through our beautiful garden.

The community received the news that I will be retiring this year. This was a difficult decision, but I felt it was the right time for me. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Ossington, and it has been my privilege to serve as principal for the last two years. I know you are in good hands with your new principal Thomas Widstrand. Welcome Mr. Widstrand.

A reminder to parents/guardians that you will receive an email the last week of August indicating your child's class placement and teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.

On behalf of the staff at OOOPS we wish everyone a safe and restful summer.

Janice

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PIZZA DAY:



Thursday June 12 (order due by June 8) and Thursday June 26 (order due by June 22): You can purchase Pizza via School Cash Online. https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com

We could not do what we do at OOOPS with out the contribution of so many people. I would like to take the opportunity to say Thank you to the following:

- To our School Council co-chaired by Lindsay McKenzie, Eleanor Rae, and Julie McCambley Holly McLellan (treasurer) Zaheed (treasurer), Sophie Lynge and Zoe Tait (Garden)
- To all of parent volunteers for supporting our programs and classrooms and to our classroom reps
- To our caretakers, Jonathon Chris and Kevin who keep the school clean and cared for
- To Our lunch-room supervisors, Filomena, Chi Chi and Roxanne for their effort and energy in keeping our students safe.
- To all our school staff for their work with your children and for their creative teaching
- To our Superintendent John Currie for supporting our community
- To Trustee Alexis Dawson for her support of our schools as part of the TDSB.
- To Nancy Cabreiro our office administrator who holds us all together through out the year.

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Playoffs for our House League Basketball tournament are on their way, after the Kings won the regular season. Our 2 Ultimate Frisbee teams had a blast throwing and catching discs at our tournament. One of our teams moved on to the Quarterfinals, but were unfortunately beaten by Norway PS. Our Track and Field Meet was one of the coldest and wettest in memory, but our athletes didn't miss a beat as 13 OOOPS students made it to the Conference Finals. To end the year, we still have House League Kickball, and an introduction to Track and Field event for all the Grade 2 and 3's, where OOOPS and 3 other schools will participate in a day of fun and learning! (More information on this soon).



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART EVENT

Our Jump Rope for Heart Event is coming up on June 20th and will take place at OOOPS after lunch recess. Students will participate in various heart pumping events in order to spread awareness to heart disease and stroke. Every dollar raised will help support new research that will help save lives and support other kids and their families who might be affected by heart disease and stroke. If you haven't already, please consider donating any amount on our school's fundraising page below. https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/8691 2

Summer 2025 Programs

Discover TDSB's summer 2025 programs. Programs include:

Elementary (Registration is open) § Elementary Summer School

SAFE and CARING Schools:

Our TDSB Equity learning coach completed two sessions with our grade 2/3 classes on Equity/Inclusion and strategies for acting.

Our Child and Youth worker engaged some of our students over the month of May on interpersonal communication.

TDSB Mental Health Well Being Guide

As the school year comes to a close, families may feel a mix of excitement and the need for extra support.

Well-Being Guide

The is here to help, offering **culturally responsive** and **identity-affirming** resources to support the mental well-being of both students and families throughout the summer. From mindfulness practices and creative activities to physical movement and access to local programs, the guide includes a wide range of tools to help every family enjoy a healthy, balanced summer. To ensure accessibility and inclusion, the guide is available in the **TDSB's top twenty-two spoken languages.**

SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

As we wrap up the school year, we want to extend a heartfelt thank you to **Ms. Lewis** for her leadership over the past two years at OOOPS and for her many years of dedication to education at the TDSB. Her care for students, staff, and families has made a lasting impact on our school community.

A big thank you to our incredible **Parent Council members** for their ongoing support and for helping to bring so many amazing events to life for our students. Your time, energy, and creativity made this year truly memorable.

We are also grateful to **Sophie** and **Zoe**, and all the **parents, teachers, and our dedicated garden committee** for making this year's **BIG DIG** such a fun and successful event — the garden looks amazing! The laughter, teamwork, and planting were a true celebration of community spirit.

Special thanks to **1Password** for their generous **\$500 grant** towards the BIG DIG and irrigation system as part of their Giving Fund. Their support helped us bring a long-standing vision for our school garden to life.

We are all getting excited for the upcoming **Fun Fair**—it's going to be a fantastic celebration to close out the year! Thank you to all the volunteers who have signed up so far. We are still in need of a few more helping hands, so if you're able to pitch in, we'd love to have you join us!

A heartfelt thank you to **all the teachers** who work so hard every day to enrich our children's lives. Your dedication, patience, and creativity make an immeasurable difference, and we are so grateful for everything you do.

Wishing all families a **wonderful**, **relaxing summer**. May it be filled with sunshine, play, and quality time—and we can't wait to reconnect in the fall!

UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES

| June 6 | PA Day no school |
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| June 12 | Room 15 to Harbourfront |
| | Pizza Day |
| June 13 | Heart and Stroke event (am) |
| | OOOPS Funfair (pm) |
| June 17 | Teacher Appreciation |
| | Lunch |
| June 19 | Pride Celebration |
| June 20 | Volunteer Tea (am) |
| June 23 | SK Graduation 2:15 |
| June 24 | Reports go Home |
| June 25 | Grade 6 Graduation |
| | 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. |
| June 26 | Pizza Day |
| June 27 | Last Day of School |

2025-2026 School Dates:

| Sept 2 | First Day of School |
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| Sept 9 | School Photo Day |