



APPLE SEEDS

February 2025

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

In February we celebrate Black History Month!

“Black Canadians and their communities have been a part of shaping Canada’s heritage and identity since the arrival of Mathieu Da Costa, a navigator, and interpreter, whose presence in Canada dates back to the early 1600s. Black History Month is a time to learn more about these Canadian stories and the many other important contributions that Black Canadians and their communities have made to the history and continued growth of this country.”

(<https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-history-month/about.html>).

Our classes will be learning about the role Black Canadians have played in developing our communities, politically, artistically and in all avenues of life as a special focus this month.

Our Parent Teacher interviews will be held on Feb. 13 and Feb. 14. Teachers will be reaching out to parents who they would like to see for interviews. If you have not heard from your child's teacher and would like an interview, please contact them directly.

We would like to welcome back Liz Lundy who is back at OOOPS as of February 6. Welcome back Liz!

Happy February!

Janice Lewis, Principal
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“FEEL GOOD VALENTINE'S DANCE

We wanted to provide an opportunity for students to have a fun activity to lift our spirits as a community. A DJ will be here for our Dance next on Thursday Feb. 13.

The cost is \$5.00 per student. This includes the DJ, a juice, and a bag of popcorn. Please send money to your homeroom teacher beginning Monday February 10.



We would like to take this opportunity to wish a Happy Lunar New Year to our families celebrating.
“Kung Hei Fat Choi ‘

PIZZA DAY:

Thursday February 13: order due by Feb. 9
February 28: Order due by Feb 23
You can purchase Pizza via School Cash Online.
<https://tdsb.schoolcashionline.com>



PLEASE NOTE:

February 28 is a Friday we have moved Pizza Day for this month due to the Election.

HOUSE LEAGUE INTERMURALS AND EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS

With almost 30 athletes trying out for the Grade 6 Girls' Volleyball Team, OOOPS was lucky to be granted permission to enter 2 teams in this year's tournament. Good luck on February 6th, when both OOOPS' teams will be playing at Givins Shaw PS. Co-ed Ball Hockey tryouts have also begun. Students are sharpening their ball control, shooting, and passing skills. Their quest to defend last year's championship begins on February 26th at Dewson PS.

SAFE and CARING Schools:

The flu and cold's have been circulating at school. Please note the following as general guidelines for children. **Return to school can occur if they do not have a fever and their symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours or 48 hours if vomiting or diarrhea.**

SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

A Big Thank You to the Jays Care Organization for gifting our school with about 200 books. Ms. Graham and Ms. Holmes were able to go and pick them out for our school community. We were gifted full class sets as well as some books for our library. All students have benefitted from this program.

The next meeting will be set for March.

More information to come.

DRUMMING WORKSHOP AT OOOPS

Guest Visitor Barbarinde Williams runs drumming workshop and teaches about Ubuntu.



UPCOMING EVENTS/DATES

Feb. 11	Term 1 Reports go home.
Feb. 13/14	Parent-Teacher Interviews (Feb. 14 is a PA Day)
Feb. 13	Pizza Day "Feel Good" Valentine's Dance 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Feb. 17	Family Day – no school
Feb. 27	Provincial Elections
Feb. 28	Pizza Day
March 4	School Trip to Young People's Theatre (am)
March 10 - 14	March Break