



- February 2020 -

“The Pinecrest Post”

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School Website: pinecresps@ocdsb.ca

Please call the school at 613 828-5115 if your child is going to be absent. Leave a message any time day or night. Say your child’s **FIRST AND LAST** name, grade or teacher and reason for the absence.

RE: END OF DAY PICK-UP: If you are picking up your child at the end of the day, please park on Thorsen & not in the school lot. Cars in

Important Dates to Remember...

February Pizza dates: Feb. 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

Black History Month Speaker Series at Pinecrest:

In recognition of Black History month we have a number of special speakers presenting to our students in Grades 5-8. Our guests will share from their life experiences and encourage students about what qualities it takes to succeed. These sessions will be held in the round gym and parents are welcome to attend!

- ◆ Feb. 6th, 9am—Reverend Bailey
- ◆ Feb. 11th, 12noon—Janice Anderson
- ◆ Feb. 18th, 11:30am—Paul Harris (Justice of the Peace)
- ◆ Feb. 21st, Stefan Keyes (CTV)
- ◆ Feb. 26th, 12pm—Camile Williams-Taylor
(OCDSB: Director of Education)
- ◆ Feb. 28th, Garth Grey (OPP)

Parent Information Night on Vaping: Thurs. Feb. 6, 7-9pm at Sir Robert Borden High School. All are welcome!

Parent Council Meeting: Thurs., Feb. 13th at 6pm
All are welcome!

PA Day: Fri. Feb. 14th - Please note there is no school today.

Family Day: Mon. Feb. 17th - Please note there is no school today.

Pizza orders open online: Starting Wed. Feb. 26th you are able to go in an order pizza for our 2nd session of pizza. Online orders will close on March 8th after which time no additional orders will be accepted. This is our final pizza session for the year so don’t miss out!

Popcorn Dates: Feb. 27th / \$1 bag



PINECREST’S DAY SCHEDULE

School starts at 8:30am
& Ends at 3:00pm

If your child is late arriving or needs to be picked up early, please be sure they sign-in/out from the office.



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DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

One way of providing information about school events is through email & voicemail. If you have not provided your email address or if it has changed recently please contact our school office to ensure you do not miss out on important information.



Don't Forget...

Extra Clothing at school

Occasionally children may slip in a puddle, slide in some mud or have a bathroom accident. If your child has an extra set of clothing at school, they are prepared for such occasions.

Winter Weather has arrived!

Please dress for the weather



Ottawa Public Health (OPH) Immunization

As a parent, keeping your kids safe and healthy is your number one priority. All children attending school between ages 4 to 17 need to be immunized according to the Ontario Immunization schedule. Immunizations protect children from many serious diseases that are easily spread in schools.



Parents are required to report all immunizations done at the doctor's office to OPH. Under this Act, OPH has the authority to suspend students from school. Notification letters were sent in November to parents alerting them of missing documentation. **Suspensions for the first group will commence on February 24, 2020. Please ensure your child's immunizations are up to date and then contact OPH with to confirm.**

Application Period: Cross-Boundary Transfers

If you or someone you know wishes to register their child at a school other than their home school, they must submit an application for a cross-boundary between **Mon. Feb. 3rd - Tues. Feb. 18th**

PLEASE NOTE: First register your child at their home school, then you may submit your request for a transfer to the school you wish for them to attend. Requests submitted after this period will not be reviewed until June 2020.

FREE MONTHLY LICE SCREENINGS

Offered every Wednesday from 6-8pm at 2120 Robertson Rd., Rm. 209. No appointment required. Located in the same building as CIBC Bank beside McDonalds.

February is HIGHSCHOOL COURSE SELECTION MONTH!

The grade 8 students have all received an option sheet from Woodroffe High School, listing the various course options available to them for grade 9. AT school and during the first week of February, students will be shown how to access their high school course planner through Career Cruising. Then with their parent/guardian, students will go online to: <https://public.careercruising.com/en/> to finalize their course selection. If you have any questions about this process, please do not hesitate to contact me, Mrs. Gitter, or Mr. Gilliland so that we can assist you.

Re: MISSED MILK DAYS DUE TO STRIKE ACTION

⇒ Term 2 of milk is currently scheduled to end for the year on Tuesday, June 2nd. Please note however that due to missed days as a result of the strike, additional days will be added following June 2nd to make up for these days.