

Congratulations to our JK – grade 5 students for all the wonderful performances enjoyed at the Holiday and Christmas Concert yesterday. A sincere thank you to Mrs. Crewe, Mrs. Gordon and all the staff for their contributions to this magical event!! Thank you also to our parents and community members whose attendance made the concert memorable for our students.

Thank you for the many generous donations to our Toy Mountain and Snowsuit Fund.

Children and families will be happier this Christmas and Holiday season because of you.

Our Annual Food Drive begins on Thursday February 1st and will continue until Thursday February 15th. We have chosen this time of year because the North Gower Outreach and Food Bank require items during these colder months to help families in need.

Kindergarten Information Night

The Junior & Senior Kindergarten Registration Period kicks off January 22-28, 2018

We would like to invite you to our Kindergarten Information Night!

Topics will include Full Day Kindergarten, the Extended Day Program, French Immersion and general Kindergarten basics. If you have neighbours, family or friends whose child is of age to start Kindergarten this September (must turn 4 on or before December 31, 2018) please let them know about this important evening.

When: Thursday January 24th

Time: 6:30 – 7:45pm

Where: Kars on the Rideau P.S. Library

Lunch Program – Term 2 On-Line Ordering

Term 1 of our Lunch Program ends January 31st and KOTR families will be required to order Wednesday lunches for Term 2 when we return from the holiday break. The online ordering system will be open from January 8th until January 19th to take your Term 2 orders. Term 2 begins February 1st. Ordering instructions will be sent out through e-mail on January 8th.

A big thank you to our parent volunteers who ensured lunches were delivered to all our students this term - and thanks to ALL parents who ordered online and helped us pilot the new system!

Extra-Curricular Activities, Clubs and Sports

The list of KOTR Extracurricular Activities, Clubs and Sports for the 2017-2018 school year has been attached for your information.

Snowhawks Ski & Snowboard Club

The Snowhawks Ski & Snowboard School is offering grade 5-8 students a four-day, after-school ski and snowboard program. The first outing is Tuesday February 6, 2018, and the program then continues February 13, February 20 & February 27. Two trips each to Vorlage and Mt Cascades will provide plenty of variety. Participants are welcome to register for lift tickets and motor coach travel only, or may add on lessons and/or equipment rental as desired. Coach Buses will leave the school at 2:05 p.m. and return to school at 9:15 PM. Deadline for registration is Monday January 22nd, although space may fill before the deadline. Information sheets were sent home with students on Thursday December 21st. A PDF version is attached. Registration is now open online at registration.snowhawks.com. For answers to any questions about the program, please contact Snowhawks directly at Ottawa@Snowhawks.com, or [613-730-0701](tel:613-730-0701).

We wish you a safe and enjoyable holiday

and a very Merry Christmas!!

See you in 2018!!

Additions to Calendar

January 8th – 19th Lunch Ordering Period – Term 2

January 22nd Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program Registration Deadline

(Please Note: Space may fill before deadline date)

February 6th Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ~ Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm

February 13th Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ~ Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm

February 20th Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ~ Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm

February 27th Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ~ Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm

Ski Equipment will be stored on gym stage – Classes not permitted to use the gym stage. It is imperative that students remain in their classrooms until the announcement is made at 1:50 p.m. for their dismissal.

Attachments:

1. Snowhawks Information
2. Extracurricular Activities, Clubs and Sports List – 2017-2018
3. A Look at the Week Ahead – January 8th – 12th
4. Calendar of Events – Snapshot of KOTR school functions and activities for the year

Follow us on Twitter @KOTRCoyotes

For more information on KOTR and for our google calendar of events, please visit our website: <https://karsontherideaups.ocdsb.ca/Pages/home.aspx>

For more information on our Parent Council please visit their website: <http://kotrcouncil.weebly.com/>

Rick Haggart & Sherrie Guthrie

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Together....."We Make a Huge Impact on Little Lives"



Kars on the Rideau Public School WEEKLY KOTR BULLETIN



January 8th – 12th

HAPPY NEW YEAR
and
WELCOME BACK!!

Monday January 8th

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 2 – January 8th – 19th

Tuesday January 9th

Staff Meeting – 2:45pm in the library
School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 2 – January 8th – 19th

Wednesday January 10th


On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 2 – January 8th – 19th

Lunch Program – Wraps

Thursday January 11th

Swim to Survive – EF3B – N. Zahorka

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 2 – January 8th – 19th

Popcorn Thursday 

Recycling Day: BLACK BOX: cardboard only
(no milk cartons as they contaminate)
 BLUE BOX: clean bottles, plastic & cans (no glass)

Friday January 12th

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 2 – January 8th – 19th

Kars on the Rideau t-shirt day!!!!



Mme Winn – EF8B will sing O’Canada

Upcoming Events

January:

17 th	Lunch Program - Subway
18 th	Swim to Survive – EF3B – N. Zahorka
18 th	Popcorn Thursday
22 nd	Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program Registration Deadline***NEW DATE*** (Please Note: Space may fill before deadline date)
24 th	Lunch Program - Pizza
24 th	Kindergarten Information Night – Library – 6:30 – 7:45pm
25 th	Swim to Survive – EF3B – N. Zahorka
25 th	Popcorn Thursday
26 th	PA Day
31 st	Silent Day – Student Council Spirit Day Students and Teachers will challenge themselves to not speak (probably first block only) in support of abused children/women who have no voice
31 st	Milk Program – Last Day – Term 1
31 st	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers

February:

1st – 15th	KOTR Annual Food Drive for the North Gower Outreach Program
1st	Popcorn Thursday
1 st	Milk Program – First Day – Term 2
6 th	Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ***NEW DATE*** Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm <i>Equipment will be stored on gym stage – Classes not permitted to use the gym stage</i> <i>It is imperative that students remain in their classrooms until the announcement is made at 1:50 p.m. for their dismissal.</i>
7 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
8 th	Dance-a-thon – School Council Event
8 th	Popcorn Thursday
13 th	Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ***NEW DATE*** Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm <i>Equipment will be stored on gym stage – Classes not permitted to use the gym stage</i> <i>It is imperative that students remain in their classrooms until the announcement is made at 1:50 p.m. for their dismissal.</i>
13 th	Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
13 th	Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
13 th	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
13 th	KOTR Band Trip Meeting for Parents – 6:00 – 7:00pm in the library
14 th	Lunch Program - Subway
14 th	Report Cards Issued
15 th	Popcorn Thursday
16 th	PA Day
19 th	Family Day
20 th	Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ***NEW DATE*** Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm <i>Equipment will be stored on gym stage – Classes not permitted to use the gym stage</i> <i>It is imperative that students remain in their classrooms until the announcement is made at 1:50 p.m. for their dismissal.</i>
21 st	Lunch Program - Pizza
22 nd	Popcorn Thursday
23 rd	Winter Wonderland Ball – Student Council Event
26 th	MacSkimming Field Trip – R7A, MF7A, R7B
27 th	MacSkimming Field Trip - EF7A, EF7B
27 th	Snowhawks Ski and Snowboard Program ***NEW DATE*** Grade 5-8 - 2:05pm – 9:15pm <i>Equipment will be stored on gym stage – Classes not permitted to use the gym stage</i> <i>It is imperative that students remain in their classrooms until the announcement is made at 1:50 p.m. for their dismissal.</i>
28 th	Character Day – Dress as your favourite character – Student Council Spirit Day
28 th	Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
28 th	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers

March:

1 st	Popcorn Thursday
7 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
8 th	Grade 1&2 Humane Society Presentations (Dog Buddies)
8 th	Pyjama Day – Student Council Spirit Day
8 th	Popcorn Thursday
12 th – 16 th	March Break
20 th	Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library (3 rd Tues. due to the March Break)
20 th	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library (3 rd Tues. due to the March Break)
21 st	Lunch Program - Subway
21 st	Swim to Survive – EF3A – L.Holloway
22 nd	Popcorn Thursday
28 th	Lunch Program - Pizza
28 th	Swim to Survive – EF3A – L.Holloway
28 th	Cake Walk – School Council Event
29 th	Popcorn Thursday
30 th	Good Friday

April:

2 nd	Easter Monday
4 th	Adjusted Day (Monday Schedule)
4 th	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
4 th	Swim to Survive – EF3A – L. Holloway
5 th	Popcorn Thursday
10 th	Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
10 th	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
11 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
12 th	Popcorn Thursday
18 th	Lunch Program - Subway
18 th	Grade 1-4 Field Trip – Gregg LeRock Concert - Algonquin Commons Theatre
19 th	Popcorn Thursday
19 th	Middle French Immersion Information Night – Library – 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
19 th	Set up for Used Book Sale – 8:30 a.m.

20th Used Book Sale – Students – School Council Event
 20th Used Book Sale – Public (3:00 – 8:00 p.m.) – School Council Event
 21st Used Book Sale – Public (9:00am – 1:00 p.m.) – School Council Event
 25th Lunch Program - Pizza
 26th Popcorn Thursday
 27th PA Day
 30th Colour Wars – Student Council Spirit Day
 each homeroom chooses a colour to wear and compete for points

May:

2nd Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
 2nd Swim to Survive – EF3C – A. Didouche
 2nd & 3rd Mathletes - K. Crewe
 3rd Popcorn Thursday
 7th – 11th Mini-Enrichment Program – Carleton University – Grade 8 students - L. Winn
 8th Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
 8th School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
 9th Lunch Program - Wraps
 9th Swim to Survive – EF3C – A. Didouche
 10th Popcorn Thursday
 14th Grade 4 Field Trip – Bill Mason Centre
 15th – 17th Grade 7 & 8 Band Trip to Toronto
 Details to Follow
 16th Lunch Program - Subway
 16th Swim to Survive – EF3C – A. Didouche
 17th Popcorn Thursday
 21st Victoria Day

May (cont'd):

22nd – June 4th EQAO Assessment Period for Grade 3 and 6
 23rd Lunch Program - Pizza
 24th Popcorn Thursday
 28th Grad 4 Field Trip – Bill Mason Centre
 28th Immunization Clinic – Cycle 2 - All Grade 7 students (boys & girls)
 – 2nd dose Hep B & HPV
 29th Immunization Clinic – Cycle 2 - All Grade 7 students (boys & girls)
 – 2nd dose Hep B & HPV
 28th Immunization Clinic - Cycle 2 – All Grade 7 and 8 students – 2nd dose Hep B & HPV
 29th Immunization Clinic - Cycle 2 – All Grade 7 and 8 students – 2nd dose Hep B & HPV
 30th Hudson Sargeant Relays – Grade 6, 7, 8
 30th Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
 31st Crazy Hair Day – Student Council Spirit Day
 31st Popcorn Thursday

June:

5th Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
 5th Regional Track and Field Meet – Grade 3-6
 6th Regional Track and Field Meet – Grade 7 & 8
 6th Dental Screening – JK, SK and Grade 2
 6th Lunch Program - Wraps
 7th Popcorn Thursday
 8th PA Day
 8th Staff Appreciation Luncheon – School Council Event
 12th Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
 12th School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
 13th Lunch Program - Subway
 13th Year End BBQ Celebration – KOTR Staff/School Council
 14th Grade 2 Field Trip – Museum of History – J. Lamarche
 14th Wacky Tacky Day – Student Council Spirit Day
 14th Popcorn Thursday
 15th Boardwide Track and Field Meet – Grade 7 & 8
 20th Lunch Program - Pizza
 26th Report Cards Issued
 27th Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
 27th Milk Program – Last Day – Term 2
 27th Graduation Ceremony at the North Gower RA Centre – 1pm
 28th Awards Ceremony Large Coyotes Den
 Gr. 1-5 at 8:30am
 Gr. 6&7 11:00am
 28th Last Day of School
 29th PA Day



2018
***Snowhawks' Ski & Snowboard Program for
Kars on the Rideau - Grades 5-8***

Registration is under way for the *Kars Traveller 2018*, a ski and snowboard program for Kars on the Rideau students in grades 5 through 8. Key points:

- The program runs after school on four Tuesdays – **Feb 6, 13, 20 & 27.**
- Includes motor coach & lift passes; optional: lesson package and/or rental equip.
- Deadline for registration is Jan 22, but the program may fill before the deadline!
- Registration is online at: registration.snowhawks.com
- Note that the school administration and school council do not accept responsibility or liability for incidents which may result from participation. The *Kars Traveller* is fully operated by Snowhawks Ski & Snowboard School.

Snowhawks

- 30 yrs experience with travelling ski & snowboard programs for children, teens & adults.
- Focus on safety, fun and learning while promoting physical fitness and self-esteem.
- Travel to different hills with our own Snowhawks team of certified instructors.
- For lots more info, see the Skiing/Snowboarding-in-Schools [FAQs on our website](#).

Program Highlights

- 4 evenings – Tuesdays Feb 6, 13, 20 & 27 – incl. motor coach travel and lift passes, twice each to Vorlage & Mt Cascades. Leaves school 30 minutes before dismissal, returning to the school at 9:15 PM. Students must bring supper, or purchase their food at the hill.
- Great Flexibility: sign up for supervised motor coach travel and lift passes only; or add on lessons and/or rental equipment as required. 70-minute lessons are with the same Snowhawks instructor each week, with small class size (from 4 to 8 students).
- More benefits: 20% off helmets & goggles, and 15% off all other new merchandise for the whole family at [Kunstadt Sports](#), right through Mar 15, 2018.

Lessons

- Required for all beginners** and encouraged for all who want to develop skills at all levels, with plenty of mileage on the terrain that's right for you!
- 70-minute lessons in small groups are taught by the same Snowhawks instructor each week to ensure continuity of learning, and fun. Beginner level lessons run all evening.
- Selecting Ability Level: **Beginner** = never-ever, or just once or twice. **Novice** = snowplowing skier; sideslipping or sloppy-turning snowboarder. **Intermediate** = basic, rhythmic skidded turns. **Advanced** = performance turns, with some carving skill.

Equipment, Helmets and Wristguards

- ❑ **Equipment:** Store equipment at the school on program mornings. Or rent equipment for skiing (skis, boots & poles) or snowboarding (board & boots). Note - if renting snowboard and not sure whether you are “goofy” or “regular,” please [email Snowhawks](#) for some helpful hints on determining which foot goes in front.
- ❑ **Helmets are mandatory** - Only a ski/snowboard helmet will do! Bike, hockey, riding helmets, etc. are not acceptable. Helmets are **not** included in the ski or snowboard rental package. If you need a helmet, you can rent one separately from Snowhawks.
- ❑ **Wristguards are strongly recommended for beginner and novice snowboarders (not for skiers)!** You may buy or rent “Dakine” Wristguards from Snowhawks.

Chaperons - Volunteers

- ❑ To volunteer complete the volunteer/chaperon section during online registration. You can also email the lead chaperon, Michelle Pellegrin, at michelledpellegrin@gmail.com.
- ❑ We require several bus chaperons and possibly one designated driver who accompany the program. These volunteers may ski or ride for free. Helmets are mandatory for volunteers on the slopes! Preference is given to returning chaperons, and to those who are available for all four outings (so that chaperons get to know students, and vice versa), and who can attend a 75-minute info-session on the afternoon of Sunday, Feb 4th.
- ❑ Also needed: Some volunteers to help store equipment at the school on (some or all) program mornings from 7:40 to 8:00 AM.

Costs, Registration & Refund Policies (costs are for the full 4 weeks & HST must be added)

- ❑ **\$175** *Kars Traveller* package, including supervised coach travel & lift passes
- ❑ **\$40** Optional 4-week Ski or Snowboard Lesson Package
- ❑ **\$40** Optional Ski (skis, boots & poles) or Snowboard (board & boots) Rental Package
- ❑ **\$15** Snowhawks Helmet rental
- ❑ **\$8** Snowhawks Wristguards rental (snowboarding only; *not* for skiers) or buy for \$23
- ❑ *Snowhawks Scholarships* are available to cover partial program costs for those with a demonstrated financial need. Please contact Snowhawks for details on scholarship program.
- ❑ **Online registration** at registration.snowhawks.com. Payment by PayPal, credit card, Interac email transfer or cheque (returned cheques subject to \$20 fee). Please have ready: participant’s grade; classroom #, teacher name or class code; date of birth; health card #; ability level and, if renting equipment: height; weight; and shoe size.
- ❑ **Deadline for registration is Jan 22, though the program may fill before the deadline!**
- ❑ Cancellation with full refund (less \$20 Admin fee) till 21-days from program start. From then, no refunds for cancellation or missed days, except for withdrawal from the program for medical reasons (with note from physician); withdrawal is subject to a \$20/day hold-back to defray bus and other program costs. Any outing cancelled by Snowhawks would be made up on a subsequent weeknight, announced in advance.
- ❑ Registration Confirmation & regular follow-ups by email, so please add to your email “whitelist” or contacts: ottawa@snowhawks.com & snowhawks@snow-hawks.com

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Kars on the Rideau P.S.
Extra-Curricular Activities, Clubs and Sports
2017-2018

Sports

Cross Country Running - Intermediate	October 17th
Cross Country Running - Junior	October 19th
Soccer - Grade 6	October 25th (Girls) October 26th (Boys)
Bordenball - Grade 4&5	October - November
Volleyball - Junior	January - February
Volleyball - Intermediate	January - February
Soccer - Intermediate	January - February
Bordenball - Grade 6	January - February
Basketball - Intermediate	January - March
Snowhawks Ski Club - Grade 5-8	February
Track and Field Meet - Junior	April - June
Track and Field Meet - Intermediate	April - June
Hudson Sergeant Relay	May
School Track & Field	May
Basketball - Grade 4&5	May
Basketball - Grade 6	May

Extra - Curricular Activities

Choir	All Year
Band & Concert Band	All Year
Terry Fox Run	September 28, 2017
QSP	September / October
Grade 8 Field Trip - Camp Bonenfant	October 13, 2017
Scholastic Book Fair	June 13, 2018 - Year End BBQ
Grade 8 Year End Field Trip	Date TBD

Clubs

Art Club	All Year
Me to We Club	All Year
WITS Crew	All Year
Photography Club	Workshops - Date TBD
Robotics Club	January
Games Club	January
Yarn Club	January - February
Silver Birch Reading Club	January - February
Dance Club Grade 1-4	February - March
Grade 5-8	February - March
Talent Show	March
E.M.C. - Grade 8 Mini Enrichment Program	Spring 2018 - Date TBD