

## **Week of May 1 - 5, 2023**

Hello KOTR Families!

It's nice to see the sunshine for the first time this week.

May kicks off a very busy time in schools, and ours is no exception. There is a lot of information in this week's Family Update - we hope you find it helpful.

### **Student Leadership!**

*Hi my name is Wren, and I'm Gracelyn and we are two students from EF5/6A.*

*We are writing to talk about what happened to the House of Lazarus and why we want to help. If you didn't know, the House of Lazarus is a food bank for the community. Sadly on the 25th of April a fire occurred at the House of Lazarus and for that reason we are starting a food drive to help them. The food drive will take place from the 8th of May to the 19th of May. We will be collecting unexpired and non perishable food items, we will also be collecting soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes and toothpaste. The top three classes that donate the most items will receive free freezies and a pj day. Thank you for your help and generosity, we really appreciate it!*

### **Summer School for Students in Grades 6-8**

It is that time of year again, where information about Summer School and Reach Ahead programs are being shared with families, students, parents and guardians.

Programs are being offered for students currently enrolled in grade 6-8 and 9-12. Summer school programming is being offered in-person or virtually (depending on course). Teachers may also recommend a student for one of these programs.

**All applications for programming go through the KOTR Intermediate Student Success teacher Richard Garrick. Please see contact information at the end of this document.**

If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

### **WHAT DOES THIS LOOK LIKE?**

#### **GRADE 6-8**

**Program duration:** July 5 - July 27, 2023 (students to attend until July, 27, 2023)

**Class Times:** 8:30 am - 3:35 pm

#### **Programming**

Two **non credit** programs are available for OCDSB students currently enrolled in Grades 6-8. These programs are designed to assist students as they prepare for the transition to higher grade levels. Programs offered are:

- Review and Reinforcement Program in Literacy & Numeracy for Grades 6-8
- Getting Ready for Grade 9.

## LOCATIONS

**\*\*Please note that locations may vary based on transportation needs\*\***

Broadview Public School, 535 Dovercourt Ave.

**Jack Donohue Public School, 101 Penrith St. (KOTR MOST LIKELY TO ATTEND)**

**Steve MacLean Public School, 4175 Spratt Rd (KOTR MOST LIKELY TO ATTEND)**

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School, 1515 10th Line Rd

Virtual School

## TRANSPORTATION

Yellow school bus service is available in the morning and afternoon to students attending these programs, and bus passes may be provided to students who live more than 1.6 km from the school site. Students attending AM classes may be picked up in the morning but must make their own way home at noon. Students attending PM classes must arrive on their own but may be dropped off in the afternoon.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **Students are required to attend the full summer school program (July 5 - July 27). Vacations and holidays must not be taken for the duration of the program.**
- **Students may choose to attend for a morning or afternoon or a full-day. Morning class: 8:30 am - 11:45 am. Afternoon class: 12:20 pm - 3:35 pm.**
- **All programs are offered based on enrollment. Continuing Education may cancel classes due to low enrollment.**

## GRADE 8 REACH AHEAD

Grade 8 students entering Grade 9 in the 2023-2024 school year have the opportunity to take the following courses:

- Reach ahead credit courses at the Grade 9 level:

**CGC1DF (IMMERSION GEOGRAPHY GRADE 9)**

**FIF1D (FRENCH IMMERSION GRADE 9)**

**FSF1O (CORE FRENCH OPEN)**

**CGC1D (GEOGRAPHY GRADE 9) (VIRTUAL eLearning Summer Program Asynchronous)**

## GETTING READY FOR GRADE 9 COURSE

Locations: Broadview Public School, Jack Donohue Public School, Steve MacLean Public School, Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School and Virtual School. *(Programs available dependent on enrollment)*

This program is open to any student currently enrolled in grade 8 in the OCDSB in the 2022-2023 school year and who meets the criteria listed below:

- currently achieving at the provincial standard in Language Arts and/or Math
- lacks confidence in academic performance or has learning gaps
- has been identified by their teacher as a student who would benefit from additional practice and preparation before grade 9

What type of learning activities can students expect to take part in?

Students will have opportunities to:

- connect with an OCDSB teacher to receive full group and small group instruction that focuses on Language Arts and Math
- deepen their understanding of key numeracy concepts each week through teacher led activities.
- get feedback on and further develop their literacy skills, in particular writing skills, each week through teacher led activities.

PLEASE NOTE - this is not a program for students achieving above the provincial standard.

Class size: 15-18 students

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Registration:** May 1 - June 23, 2023

**Program duration:** July 5 - July 27, 2023 (students to attend until July, 27, 2023)

**Class Times:** 8:30 am - 3:35 pm

**For more information on Summer School programming or Reach Ahead course options follow the link below.**

[Summer School Programs](#)

**If you have any questions or are interested in applying for Summer School or Reach Ahead please contact [RICHARD GARRICK richard.garrick@ocdsb.ca](mailto:richard.garrick@ocdsb.ca)**

**It's that time of year again...mark your calendars!**

**Freezie Fridays (& two Thursdays)**

The grade 8 classes will be hosting Freezie Fridays on:

- May 12th

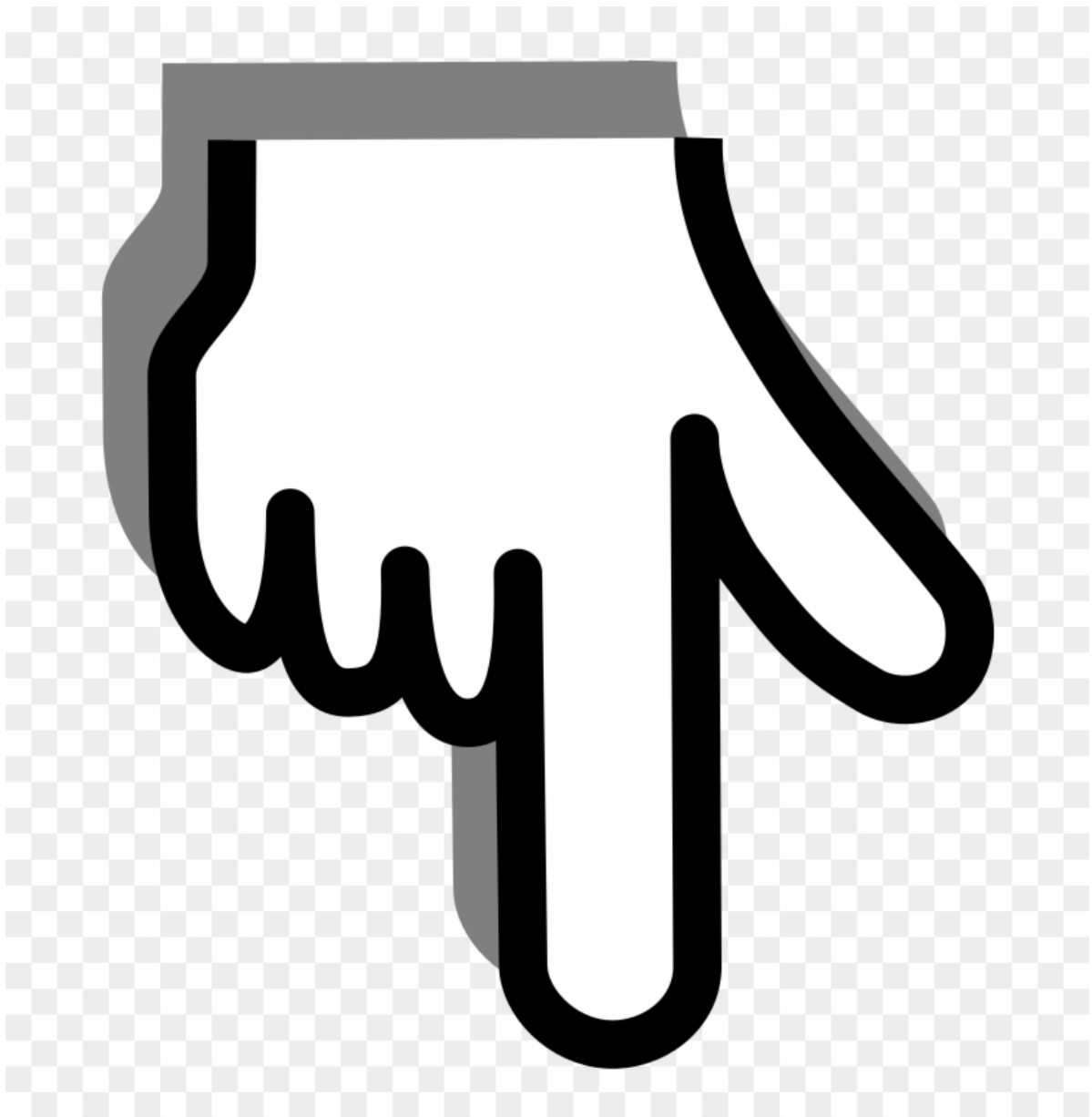
- May 19th
- May 25th (Thursday due to South Trip on Friday)
- June 1st (Thursday due to PA Day on Friday)
- June 9th

Jumbo Freezies are **\$ 1 each**.. One freezie per child. The kindergartens will be provided ½ a freezie for **0.50¢**.

This is a fundraiser for the grade 8 Camp lawah trip and we thank you kindly for your support.

The Grade 8 Team

**Please scroll down for news from our School Council**



# SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS



## POPCORN SALES!

**Thursday May 11** is our first Popcorn Day this year! Students are welcome to bring \$1 dollar to buy popcorn. It will be sold during second recess. Volunteers from our School Council will be selling to each class.

## PARENT/FAMILY PRESENTATION



### **KOTR School Council Presents:**

**From Worried to Well: Supporting the  
Social-Emotional Well-Being of Your Child**

Join Dr. David Tranter who will discuss critical strategies to promote the social-emotional well-being of children.

Note: Time will also be allotted for a Q and A session.

**May 16, 2023 7:00 - 8:30**

**Virtual:** [meet.google.com/udr-qmnm-wou](https://meet.google.com/udr-qmnm-wou)

## Dr. David Tranter

Dr. David Tranter has been teaching and working in mental health, well-being, and education for over 30 years. As a researcher, professor, and the Scientific Director for the Centre for Relationship-Based Education, Dr. Tranter works widely with educators, parents, and mental health professionals across Canada and beyond to support students at all grade levels to reach their highest potential. He is a dynamic and thought-provoking speaker, who has challenged educators across the country to think differently about their role, and to understand the needs of students on a deeper level. He is the co-creator of The Third Path, a pedagogical framework that promotes both student well-being and academic achievement. His book, "The Third Path: A Relationship-Based Approach to Student Well-Being and Achievement" has been adopted widely by educators all across Canada.