

Kars on the Rideau has had an outstanding week. Our staff has done a magnificent job in preparing their classrooms for your children. I am proud to say that your children are off to a fantastic start and they are in good hands. I am inspired each and every day by the unwavering commitment that our staff, students and families make to Kars on the Rideau and the community at large.

Please mark Thursday, September 21st on your calendar for our Meet the Teacher Evening!

Our Meet the Teacher Evening will be from 5:30 until 7:30pm. The format will be an informal meet and greet inside the school. Parents are invited to come any time during the two hour period. Signs will be posted in the front foyer that will make the process of finding classrooms and teachers easier. This evening provides an opportunity for you to meet your child's homeroom teacher, as well as other teachers/staff members your child may have contact with throughout the week. It is also a good chance to see your child's learning environment. Please keep in mind that teachers have many families to meet, so visits may need to be brief. You will receive more detailed information about your child's progress later in the term (i.e., through various means of communication including parent-teacher interviews).

We look forward to meeting you on Thursday September 21st !

Reminder: Please return all forms that were sent home in the Welcome Back Package as soon as possible. Your prompt attention to this is needed and greatly appreciated.

Lunch Orders

Lunch orders are being processed on-line this year. Please visit KOTR - Lunch Order to place your Term 1 lunch order for your child. You may order lunches from September 5th through September 15th. The instructions for on-line ordering were included with the Welcome Back package and are also attached to this e-mail.

Voluntary Contribution

As we plan and prepare for a fun-filled year of learning and extra-curricular opportunities we kindly ask that each student make a voluntary contribution of \$20.00 toward resources and initiatives such as: technology for all grades, student agendas, educational opportunities, KOTR t-shirt and other student supplies and activities. Your contribution and continued support is greatly appreciated. The voluntary contribution form was included with the Welcome Back package and is also attached to this e-mail for your convenience. Thank you !!

School Council

The first School Council Meeting for KOTR parents, staff and community members is Tuesday September 12 at 7:00 pm. Council meets in the school library and the first meeting determines the Council executive (Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary) and establishes our regular voting members. Council Nomination Forms are attached to this e-mail. Future Council events this coming school year will also be discussed. You do not have to be a formal member to attend a Council meeting and anyone in our school community is welcome at any time. For those new to KOTR, Council is a great way to interact with our staff and meet other KOTR parents. You can make a difference in our school and the experiences your child has at KOTR. We'd love to meet you!

KOTR Yearbooks are still available - please contact the main office.

To report your child's absence please call the school at [613 489-2024](tel:6134892024) or report the absence on-line <https://karsontherideaups.ocdsb.ca/Pages/home.aspx>

Scouting Adventures in North Gower and Kars

Summer holidays are over and as school starts so does registration for a new Scouting year.

Scouting is more than adventure, outdoor experience and friendship. It provides opportunities for youth to grow, achieve new "firsts" and develop into citizens of the world. 1st North Gower – Kars Scouts will discover the best in themselves and in others and are more likely to demonstrate greater self-confidence and optimism about what the future holds.

For more information please see attached.

To register your child into Scouts visit: <http://www.scouts.ca/>

If you have any questions about Scouts this year in North Gower and Kars, please send me an email or give me a call [613 489 0852](tel:6134890852).

The Ottawa Children's Choir

The Ottawa Children's Choir is holding General Auditions for Viva, Concert and Chamber choirs for students 8 to 15 years of age on Saturday September 9, 2017.

For more information please Ottawa Children's Choir or contact: info@ottawachildrenschoir.ca

Attachments:

1. On-Line Lunch Order Instructions
2. Voluntary Contribution Form
3. Council Nomination Form
4. Scouts Flyer
5. Adjusted Monday to Friday Calendar 2017-2018

6. A Look at the Week Ahead - September 11th - 15th

7. 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

Proud Principal of Kars on the Rideau Public School

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



Kars on the Rideau Public School

WEEKLY KOTR BULLETIN



September 11th – 15th

Monday September 11th



Make this a great learning day !!

KOTR R.A.C.E. Day – Kindergarten and Grade 8 – Meet on the track first break at 10:15 am

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 1 - September 5th – 15th

Tuesday September 12th

Staff Meeting – 2:45pm in the library

School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library

KOTR R.A.C.E. Day – Grade 1 and 7 – Meet on the track first break at 10:15 am

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 1 - September 5th – 15th

Wednesday September 13th



Make this a great learning day !!

KOTR R.A.C.E. Day – Grade 2 and 6 – Meet on the track first break at 10:15 am

On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 1 - September 5th – 15th

Thursday September 14th

Popcorn Thursday 

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

KOTR R.A.C.E. Day – Grade 3, 4, 5 – Meet on the track first break at 10:15 am


On-Line Lunch Order Period Term 1 - September 5th – 15th


Friday September 15th

Last Day : On-Line Lunch Orders – Term 1

KOTR R.A.C.E. Day – Open to all students – We will have staggered start times!

– Meet on the track first break at 10:15 am

Mme Zahorka EF3A will sing O’Canada 

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

Upcoming Events

September:

- 18th Practice Lockdown and Fire Drill
- 21st Meet the Teacher Evening 5:30 – 7:30pm
- 21st Popcorn Thursday
- 28th Terry Fox Run - S. Thomson
- 28th Popcorn Thursday
- 29th Terry Fox Run (Rain Date) - S. Thomson
- 29th QSP Kick-off Assembly – 8:30am Large Coyote’s Den – Mr. Haggar

October:

2 nd	Milk Program – First Day – Term 1
3 rd	Lifetouch Fall Photos
3 rd	Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
4 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
5 th	Popcorn Thursday
6 th	PA Day
9 th	Thanksgiving
10th	Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
10th	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library

October (cont'd):

11th	Lunch Program - Subway
11th	Adjusted Day (Monday Schedule)
12th	Jar Walk – School Council Event
12th	Popcorn Thursday
13th	Grade 8 Outdoor Leadership Camp at Camp Bonnenfant
18th	Lunch Program - Pizza
19th	Popcorn Thursday
23rd	QSP Order Deadline
25th	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
26th	Popcorn Thursday

November:

1st	Lunch Program - Wraps
2nd	Popcorn Thursday
2nd	Fall Photo re-take day – Students must bring Proof Packages to the Photographer
8th	Lunch Program - Subway
9th	Popcorn Thursday
9th	Full Dress Rehearsal – Remembrance Day Ceremony 10:40 – 12:40 (set-up for ceremony will remain in place until the next day)
10th	Remembrance Day Ceremony

Morning Schedule for Remembrance Day

8:00-8:30am	Classroom Instruction
8:30am	Students called down for assembly
8:45-10:00am	Assembly in the large Coyote Gym -with video, poetry presentation, band, choir and laying of wreaths
10:00-10:15am	Nutrition Break
10:15-10:40am	Recess
10:40am	Teachers will meet their classes outside on pavement area and have them line up single file to proceed silently to the front of the Cenotaph for a brief outdoor ceremony

Parents are welcome to join us for the Assembly at 8:45am as well as the Moment of Silence and the playing of the Last Post at the Cenotaph at 10:40am



14th	Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
14th	School Council Meeting - 7pm in the library
15th	Lunch Program - Pizza
16th	Popcorn Thursday
22nd	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
23rd	Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
23rd	Popcorn Thursday
24th	PA Day
27th	Immunization Clinic - Cycle 1 – All Grade 7 and 8 students – Menactra, 1st dose Hep B & HPV
28th	Immunization Clinic - Cycle 1 – All Grade 7 and 8 students – Menactra, 1st dose Hep B & HPV
29th	Lunch Program - Wraps
30th	Grade 3 Field Trip – MacSkimming Pioneer Village
30th	Popcorn Thursday

December:

1st	Loonie Toonie Sale – School Council Event
4th	Loonie Toonie Sale – School Council Event
6th	Lunch Program - Subway
6th – 18th	Toy Mountain – Please bring donations to the front lobby
6th – 18th	Snowsuit Fund – Please bring donations to the front lobby
7th	Popcorn Thursday
12th	Staff Meeting - 2:45pm in the library
12th	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
12th	Annual Festive Turkey Lunch at Kars RA Centre for students and staff – School Council Event
13th	Lunch Program - Pizza
14th	Popcorn Thursday
20th	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
21st	Popcorn Thursday
22nd	Last Day Before Winter Holiday Vacation
25th	Start of Winter Holiday Vacation

January:

8 th	Students return to School
9 th	Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
9 th	School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
10 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
11 th	Popcorn Thursday
12 th – 19 th	Lunch Ordering Period – Term 2
17 th	Lunch Program - Subway
18 th	Popcorn Thursday
24 th	Lunch Program - Pizza
24 th	Kindergarten Information Night - Library
25 th	Popcorn Thursday
26 th	PA Day
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
7 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
8 th	Dance-a-thon – School Council Event
8 th	Popcorn Thursday
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
15 th	Popcorn Thursday
16 th	PA Day
19 th	Family Day
21 st	Lunch Program - Pizza
22 nd	Popcorn Thursday
28 th	Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
28 th	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers

March:

1 st	Popcorn Thursday
7 th	Lunch Program - Wraps
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 – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
22 nd	Popcorn Thursday
28 th	Lunch Program - Pizza
28 th	Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
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 – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
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
11 th	Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
12 th	Popcorn Thursday
18 th	Lunch Program - Subway
18 th	Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
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.
20 th	Used Book Sale – Students – School Council Event
20 th	Used Book Sale – Public (3:00 – 8:00 p.m.) – School Council Event
21 st	Used Book Sale – Public (9:00am – 1:00 p.m.) – School Council Event
25 th	Lunch Program - Pizza
25 th	Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
26 th	Popcorn Thursday
27 th	PA Day

May:

2 nd	Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
2 nd	Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow

3rd Popcorn Thursday
8th Staff Meeting -2:45pm in the library
8th School Council Meeting – 7:00pm in the library
9th Lunch Program - Wraps

May (cont'd):

9th Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
10th Popcorn Thursday
14th Grade 4 Field Trip – Bill Mason Centre
16th Lunch Program - Subway
16th Swim to Survive – Grade 3 – Details to Follow
17th Popcorn Thursday
21st Victoria Day
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 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 Lunch Program – Chicken Fingers
31st Popcorn Thursday

June:

5th Adjusted Day (Friday Schedule)
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 Popcorn Thursday
20th Lunch Program - Pizza
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



Kars on the Rideau School Council

Online Lunch Ordering

TERM 1: October 2, 2017- January 31, 2018

It is time to get the first term of the Lunch Program underway! Each Wednesday, during the second nutrition break, parents can order a lunch for students in Grades K-8. KOTR is introducing **online lunch ordering** this year to:

- Improve order visibility & payment accuracy;
- Offer more payment options;
- Simplify lunch ordering for parents and lunch volunteers;
- Reduce paper and money flowing through classrooms.

For these reasons, the Lunch Program no longer supports paper-based lunch order forms. For Term 1 you may order lunches online from **September 5th** through **September 15th, 2017**. After that time, orders will be finalized and sent to our vendors. No changes can be made.

The order system is easy to use! Here's how to get started.

1. **GO TO:** <http://kotr.schoolcouncil.net>
2. **REGISTER:** You must create an account for your family before ordering meals.
 - Click on "**Click Here to Register**" in the login box.
 - The access code you will require is **KARS** (all caps).
 - Your login will be the email you enter and the password you create. (Remember it!)
 - Click the "**Register Now**" button at the bottom.
3. **CREATE KIDS:** For each account you must create the students for whom you will order lunches or milk.
 - **Be sure to enter their correct homeroom class assignment.**
 - Once your child(ren) are created in the system, click on "**Orders**" to select food.
4. **ORDER FOOD:** Order lunches and/or milk for each student you create.
 - Lunches are now ordered by DATE - fill in the order details for each Wednesday lunch is to be delivered to your child. Milk is still ordered daily for the entire term.
 - Click "**Place Order & Proceed**"
 - You must do this for *each student* in your family account.
5. **PAY FOR ORDERS:** You must order online, but you are not required to pay online.
 - You may either pay online using a credit card (through PayPal™) or with cash/cheque.
 - Cash/cheque payments must be attached to a **remittance form** you print from the system (or payment can not be applied to your account).
 - **Payment instalments** are still available. Instructions for post-dated cheques are on the remittance form. Please submit all cheques covering your **entire order amount** at once.
 - Any cash or cheque payment must be delivered to the school **WITHIN 7 DAYS** of placing an order or it will disappear from the system.



Kars on the Rideau School Council

Online Lunch Ordering

We appreciate your patience and understanding while we implement this new system at KOTR. We are all new to the system and there will likely be minor issues, but we are trying hard to deliver the same lunch program everyone has always enjoyed at KOTR. Below are a few things that might help you with the new process.

Tips For Using The New System:

- You do not need a PayPal account to pay online. You can either use your credit card as a PayPal guest (Visa, Mastercard or Amex), or use/create your own PayPal account.
- Should you experience any issues with PayPal or your PayPal account, you must contact PayPal directly to resolve.
- Lunch menu dates and other events can be seen on the "**Event Calendar**" when you log in. You will also get email reminding you of upcoming lunch dates.
- Buttons saying "**Orders**" are used to create food orders but also to **change** them as well. Orders pertain to the student the button is adjacent to. Changes will only be allowed until ordering closes on Sept-15th.
- If you created your children in the system earlier this spring or summer, please be sure to **UPDATE their classroom assignment** as of Sept-5th!
- You do not need to order lunches to volunteer for school roles or events (see below). You just need to register in the system with an email and password.
- There are helpful resources under the **HELP** menu tab. A **support request** goes directly to Lunch Program volunteers at KOTR who can assist.

Now also available online:

Parent Volunteer Sign-Up!

Click the **Volunteer Registration** button when you log in to sign up for various roles and events at the school such as the Cake Walk or the annual Dance-a-thon!
(The system does not manage classroom volunteers).

All the registration info you entered as a lunch parent will be used to contact you about these events. No need to write out your contact info twice! Signing up does not commit you to an event or a role. It just permits Council to contact you when the time comes.



Kars on the Rideau Public School



September 5th, 2017

Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are very excited to welcome your child(ren) back to school for what we know is going to be a great year!

As we plan and prepare for a fun-filled year of learning and extra-curricular opportunities we kindly ask that each student make a voluntary contribution of \$20.00 toward resources and initiatives such as: technology for all grades, student agendas, educational opportunities, KOTR t-shirts, and other student supplies and activities. Your contribution and continued support is greatly appreciated.

If you wish to pay by cheque, kindly make it payable to:

Kars on the Rideau Public School

We ask that students return the slip below along with their donation to their homeroom teacher.

Sincerely,

Rick Haggart

(please tear & return bottom slip with donation)

Student Name: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

Form of Payment: Cash Cheque



Kars on the Rideau School Council Council Nomination Form

This form nominates a parent of a Kars on the Rideau student to sit as a voting member on School Council. Parents do not have to be voting members to attend or participate in Council meetings, however full members have voting privileges when Council matters require a formal vote. Council bylaws and other information can be found at: <http://kotrcouncil.weebly.com>.

By nominating a parent as a member, they agree to:

- Attend monthly Council meetings as regularly as possible (this year Council meets every **second Tuesday** of the month.)
- Participate in Council discussions and decision-making;
- Participate on committees established by Council;
- Support and promote Council initiatives;
- Solicit views of other parents and the school community to share with Council;
- Assist with occasional fundraising initiatives if required.

YES! I would like to nominate a Parent Council member this school year.

Name of Nominee: _____ (can be yourself or another parent)

Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____ (will be added to KOTR Council mailing list)

Child(ren)'s Name(s): _____

Child(ren)'s Class or Teacher(s): _____

1. Is this an employee of the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board? Yes No
2. Is this nominee is being considered for an executive position?
 Chair Vice-Chair Treasurer Secretary No

I would just like to be on Council's mailing list to get regular updates.

Email: _____ (print very clearly!)

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD DURING THE FIRST COUNCIL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2017.

Simply submit this completed form at or before this meeting to become a voting member (and please attend). If more than one nomination is received for an *executive* position, attending members will vote on nominees. Forms can be returned to classrooms or submitted directly to the school office.



1st North Gower – Kars Scout Group



**LOOKING FOR
ADVENTURE?**

**LOVE THE
OUTDOORS?**

COME AND MEET US

When and Where: **Wednesday, September 13, 2017**
ALFRED TAYLOR RECREATION CENTER (NGRA)
2300 Community Way, North Gower ON

Wednesday, September 20, 2017
TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
6656 Rideau Valley Dr. S, Kars, ON

Time: 6:30 – 7:30pm

Who: Beaver Scouts (5-8), Cub Scouts (8-10), Scouts (11-14)
and
Scouters and Volunteer Committee Members (14-100+)

**Looking for 'youth' 5-100 to join us on our
adventures: camping, hiking, canoeing,
campfires, songs, crafts, service,
community, nature and FUN!**

Register online at www.myscouts.ca – Find A Group
or contact Pieter at scouterpieter@gmail.com



Hear anything lately about the 'Great Indoors'?

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It starts with Scouts.

OCDSB 2017-2018 Adjusted Calendar

	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	M	T	W	Th	F	
September						4	H	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4
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October	2	3	4	5	6	9	H	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2
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School Holidays	Monday	37	Thursday	38
P.A. Days	Tuesday	37	Friday	37
Adjusted Days	Wednesday	38	Total	187