

Weekly Family Update
Week of September 30 - October 4, 2024

Hello KOTR Families!

Welcome to our school weekly newsletter! We are pleased to share some exciting updates and important information with you.

The KOTR School Council

Last week, a new Kars on the Rideau School Council was elected. The results are:

Chair: Leslie Pattemore

Vice-Chair: Kayla Fernet

Treasurer: Jess Brazeau

Secretary: Jen Kuyek

Members-at-Large:

Carina Quinn

Tara Robert

Cassandra Tewsley

Megan Nolan

Michelle Macrae

Jennifer Beerwort

Michelle Morgan

Ashley Van't Foort

Lauren Carwardine

Jenna Boivin

Jill Labelle

Sheila Mills

Amanda Lemieux

Admin Staff Rep: Heather Pottle

Teacher Staff Rep: Vacant

Student Reps (2 grade 8s - one from English program, one from EFI program): Vacant

Thank you to all parents/guardians who came forward. Every council meeting is open to all parents and guardians of KOTR students, so we welcome you to join us. Please see our [school website](#) for the dates for the 2024-2025 meetings.

Fresh From the Farm Fundraiser

Fresh from the Farm is an Ontario-based school fundraiser where schools sell bundles of fruits and vegetables grown by Ontario farmers. Schools keep 40% of the total sales, and 50% goes back to participating Ontario farms and farmers. The remaining 10% goes to the Fresh From the Farm organization to cover administrative costs.

We are running the FFF Fundraiser from September 30 - October 15 inclusive. Orders will be available for pickup at the school between November 4 and December 5. The school will

receive a confirmation of our exact delivery date 10 days prior, which we will then communicate to families along with pickup instructions.

Funds raised will be used to support the KOTR concert band.

For sale are:

- For \$22 - 14 lb bags of mixed vegetables (5 lbs potatoes, 3 lbs carrots, 3 lbs yellow onions, and 3 lbs sweet potatoes) - *we are not permitted to make any changes to this package*
- For \$24 - 8 lb bags of Ambrosia apples
- FLYER

Please visit our [School Cash Online link](#) where you can place your order.

October Building the Bridge Home Learning Resources

Please see below the links for the October K-8 Building the Bridge resources for Parents and Guardians. These resources support the Ontario curriculum in Mathematics, Language, Social Studies/History and Geography, Physical Education and Health, FSL, and Science.

[Kindergarten](#) [Grade 1](#) [Grade 2](#) [Grade 3](#) [Grade 4](#) [Grade 5](#) [Grade 6](#) [Grade 7](#) [Grade 8](#)

These resources may or may not align with the topics your child's teacher is teaching at this moment, but are meant to reinforce concepts at home. Please reach out to your child's teachers if you have any questions.

KOTR Parent/Guardian Book Club

Are you interested in joining other parents/guardians in a monthly Book Club? We will be reading [The Anxious Generation by Jonathan Haidt](#).

Please complete this form by October 4th if you are interested.

[KOTR Parent/Guardian Book Club: The Anxious Generation](#)

ICYMI (In case you missed it):

Kars on the Rideau Second Annual Holiday Maker Market

Last year, with the help of our School Council, we held our very first Holiday Maker Market. We also invited student crafters to sell items for a charity of their choosing. It was a huge success and raised over \$1600 that went towards supporting our school's first musical.

Our second market will be held November 16, 2024, from 10am-3pm. We would appreciate you sharing the information with your network of family, friends, and neighbours. Please feel free to use this image to help get the word out, and the [application form](#) for any potential vendors.



Terry Fox Walk/Run/Roll



On **Thursday, October 10th**, all students from JK to Grade 8 at Kars on the Rideau Public School will be taking part in The Terry Fox National School Run Day from 10:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. For our students in grades 4-8, our Terry Fox event will incorporate a 5 kilometer loop around the community and a finishing lap on our track. The JKs-grade 3 students will be commencing on the track and will be staying on school property to complete their run. We welcome parents to come and join us for the event. This year's run celebrates the 44th anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope.

Many people today have a connection to someone who has had cancer. This run can serve as a personal dedication to a friend or relative. Students will be receiving a dedication sticker prior to beginning the run. The sticker that each student will be receiving is to be worn on their shirt during the event. We encourage you to discuss with your children who they are running for.

We are very pleased to be a part of this year's Terry Fox school event as we encourage our students to develop a sense of volunteerism and goodwill. If you would like to make a donation, any amount is greatly appreciated. All monies raised will be forwarded to The Terry Fox Foundation. Please visit our **Kars on the Rideau Public School Online Fundraising Page:** <https://schools.terryfox.ca/KarsontheRideauPSKars> To make a donation, simply click on "Donate" then select "To this school". (Please note the date on the page needs to be revised to October 10th).

To date, the OCDSB has raised over 3 million dollars in support of the Terry Fox Foundation - what an amazing accomplishment and we want to keep that spirit of generosity going!

Thanks in advance for your contributions and support!

Dates to Remember:

September 30 - National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

October 1 - Potluck Breakfast with the Principal - 7:45am

October 3 - Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown

October 10 - Terry Fox Run/Walk/Roll

October 11 - Yom Kippur begins at sundown

October 12 - Dussehra

October 14 - Thanksgiving - NO SCHOOL

Take good care,

Erin and Lara

Principal and Vice-Principal

[Kars on the Rideau PS](#)