JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - February 2nd, 2024





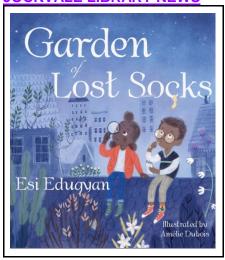


EF1A & EF1B BUILD ICE STRUCTURES - Towers and castles and tiered cakes, oh my! Les amis de EF1A et EF1B had a fabul-ICE time building structures out of coloured ice blocks they prepared last week. We may have quite a few engineers of the future here at Jockvale. Bravo, les amis!

<u>SWIM TO SURVIVE PROGRAM</u> - We are happy to announce that we have secured 60 spots for our grade 3 students to go to Walter Baker Sports Centre in groups of 20 at the end of March. We will have to be creative in our groupings, yet will not need to book buses. More information will be provided closer to the date - stay tuned!

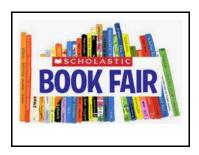
GRADE 4 MIDDLE FRENCH IMMERSION @ BARRHAVEN PS - If your child is in the regular English grade 3 program at Jockvale, they are eligible to attend the Middle French Immersion (MFI) at Barrhaven PS next September. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please attend the information session at Barrhaven PS on February 15th, 2024 from 6 pm to 7 pm. A letter was also emailed to parents/guardians of grade 3 Jockvale English students with more information.

JOCKVALE LIBRARY NEWS -



We are continuing with our new Forest of Reading books in the library. This week we have been reading <u>The Garden of Lost Socks</u> by Esi Edugyan with art by Amélie Dubois. It's the story of two friends who are on the hunt for Max's missing sock. It's a sweet story with stunning illustrations!

We will be taking a break from the Forest of Reading next week as we celebrate the Lunar New Year.



The <u>Scholastic Book Fair</u> will be held at Jockvale from February 12-15 and we need your help. If you are able to volunteer to help with the book fair, please email Ms Matthews (sue.matthews@ocdsb.ca) and she will give you more information. We appreciate your help, we can't run the book fair without you!

JOCKVALE ES SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE -



Movie Night - February 2nd

Doors will open at 6 pm and the movie will start at 6:30.

This is a family event and parents are required to attend and supervise their children during the movie to ensure it is a safe environment for all to enjoy. Spectators are asked to remain seated and keep noise to a minimum out of respect for others watching the movie.

The cost to attend is just \$3 per person up to a max of \$10 per family.

There will be concession sales including pizza, fresh popcorn, drinks, chocolate bars, and candy.

Drinks (pop, juice or water), chocolate bars (Smarties, Aero, Kit Kat or Coffee Crisp) and candy (Skittles, Fuzzy Peach or Swedish berries) will be available on a first come first served basis.



Some of our junior students showing their snowplough skills this week.

<u>JUNIOR SKI TRIPS</u> - Our second Ski Day was a huge success! We thank our staff and parent volunteers for supervising another fun day on the slopes.

The make up date for the ski trip cancelled on January 25th is now February 14th. Please direct questions to Mme Schijns - heather.schijns@ocdsb.ca.

NEW LANGUAGE CURRICULUM - Grades 1 to 8 - Starting this school year (2023-2024), Language achievement will be shown as one overall grade or mark on the report card. Students will also receive specific comments that talk about their strengths, suggest next steps for improvement, with specific comments about progress in reading and writing. It will provide an overall look at achievement in Language. To find out more about Ontario's new Language Curriculum for Grades 1 to 8, check out the Guide for Parents.

<u>OPH GUIDELINES</u> - When it comes to student illness and symptoms, Jockvale follows the <u>OPH guidelines</u>. They are included here for your reference. Please continue to contact the main office with any questions.

Have a good weekend,

Loretta and Karl



FEB 02 - JESC MOVIE NIGHT

FEB 08 - JUNIOR SKI DAY @ MOUNT PAKENHAM

FEB 12 to 15 - SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR @ JOCKVALE

FEB 14 - JUNIOR SKI DAY @ MOUNT PAKENHAM (MAKE UP FOR JAN 25)

FEB 14 - TERM 1 REPORT CARDS EMAILED HOME

FEB 15 - FRIDAY SCHEDULE
FEB 16 - PA DAY - NO SCHOOL
FEB 19 - FAMILY DAY - NO SCHOOL
FEB 26 to MARCH 01 - FEBRUARY FRENZY SPIRIT WEEK
Religious/Creed-Based Days of Observance - Ottawa-Carleton District School Board