

JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - May 10th, 2024



Artwork demonstrating foreshortening from Ms Baine's R5A Class

CEDARVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL - GRADE 7 INFORMATION NIGHT -

Welcome future Cedarview Hawks!

Cedarview would like to invite you to their Grade 7 Information night. They will be hosting an open house on **Tuesday, June 6th at 6 pm**. There will be a brief information session in the gym followed by school tours.



BUSY BEES IN EF23A - Did you hear the latest buzz about the Busy Bees in EF23A? They combined their knowledge of natural structures and oil pastels to make these BEE-utiful pieces of art! - *Mme Amy*

EQAO - We are planning for the Education, Quality, and Accountability Office (EQAO) 2024 Assessment. This assessment is a standardized test written by all students in grades 3 and 6 across the province of Ontario. The assessment measures student achievement in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics. Please check out the [EQAO website](#) for more information about each assessment. Students at Jockvale will be writing the assessment on the following dates:

- Grade 6 - Junior Assessment: May 27, 28, 29
- Grade 3 - Primary Assessment: May 30, 31, June 3
- Make up days: June 5 and 6

Homeroom teachers continue to prepare their students by introducing them to the online Sample test, available through the link above.



LET'S TALK SCIENCE WORKSHOPS - Let's Talk Science is a national charitable organization committed to preparing youth for evolving career and citizenship demands in a rapidly changing world. Let's Talk Science works with over 55 universities, colleges and research institutes and over 1,400 volunteers, who bring over 28,000 hours of science outreach to Canadian youth and its services are accessed in more than 1,600 communities across Canada. Jockvale is fortunate that all of its classes will participate in workshops this spring!

This week, workshop leaders Ridoy and Nadia worked with many of our classes, including EF1A who did the "Tree of Life" workshop (see photos above): "A floor model 'tree' is laid out while students sit around it in a circle. Each student is then given a large handful of plastic animals to sort on the tree in different categories. The difference between living and nonliving, plants and animals, and 6 categories of animals are reinforced in this activity. Students then make their own 'tree of life' artwork." (<https://letstalkscience.ca/>).



MOTHER'S DAY - We would like to take this opportunity to wish all Moms, Mother Figures, and any other caring adult who takes such good care of our Jaguars a Happy Mother's Day. May your day be filled with kindness, love and sunshine!



TRACK & FIELD @ JOCKVALE

On Tuesday, May 14th, 2024 (grades 4 to 6) and Wednesday, May 15th (grades 1 to 3), Jockvale will be hosting Track and Field days for our students.

It is necessary that all students be dressed appropriately to participate. Please wear clothing that you can run and jump comfortably in (i.e. no jeans) and appropriate running shoes (enclosed toe and heel). Students are also encouraged to wear a hat and sunscreen and to have a water bottle. Students will have regular recess and nutrition breaks.

As this is a big event, we are in need of **parent volunteers** to be with each group during the day as well as assisting the teachers at each track and field station. If you are able to volunteer please send an email to gerald.meilleur@ocdsb.ca . Please indicate your **name, child's full name** and **homeroom teacher**, and we will do our best to place you in a position where you either supervise your child and their class, or will have opportunities to watch them compete in some events. Parents/guardians are also welcome to join us to watch any of the events.



GIANTS IN THE SKY! - We didn't know if we were on Broadway in New York City or at Jockvale last night because the production of Giants in the Sky was just so good - five stars! Congratulations to the cast, stage crew, staff and school for putting on such an amazing performance. We are so very proud of our Jaguars and the production team! Thanks to those families who attended and supported Jockvale and its 2024 musical! A 2025 musical is already in the works!

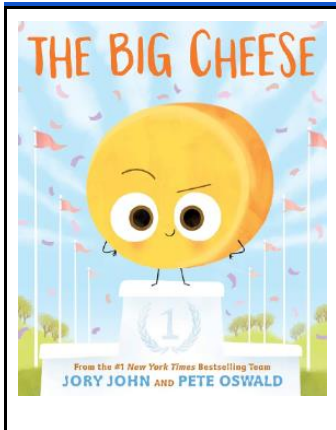
GOING ON VACATION IN MAY OR JUNE? MOVING? - Please contact the office if...

You are going on an extended vacation this spring.

You are moving between now and September and will not be returning to Jockvale this fall.

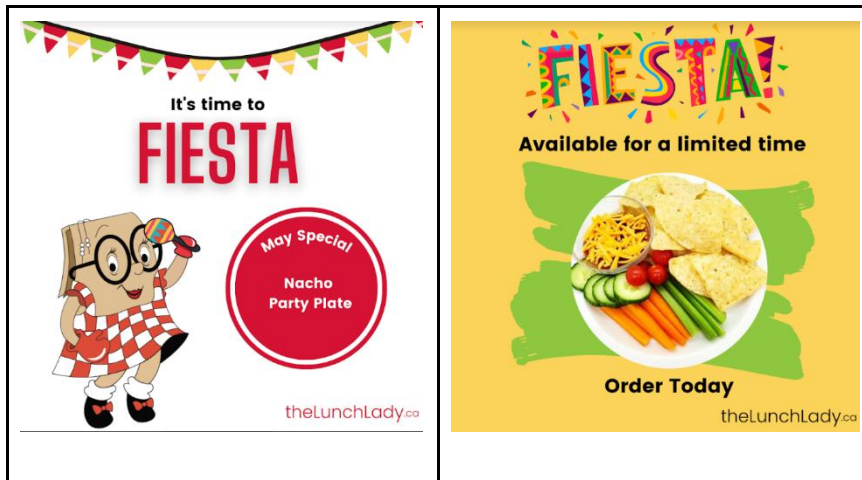
You are moving before June 28th. You are welcome to stay at Jockvale until the end of the year, but you must provide transportation for your child once you move out of the catchment area.

JOCKVALE LIBRARY NEWS



We have been having a lot of fun in the library this week reading The Big Cheese by Jory John with art by Pete Oswald. Cheese thinks he's a pretty big deal and he's not afraid to tell you so! He only does things he's good at so he's always the best. But things begin to change when Wedge moves to town! What happens if Cheese isn't the best anymore?

LUNCH LADY



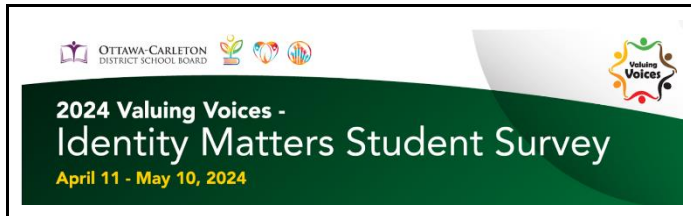
SAFE ARRIVAL SYSTEM (Automated Attendance)



Jockvale now uses the Safe Arrival System which is an automated attendance program. The Safe Arrival System has replaced some of our current attendance routines, like the Google form and phone calls. The system contacts families for unreported absences. Please download the app if you haven't done so already - thanks!

SWIM TO SURVIVE - Permission forms were sent out for R34A and EF34A, who are slated to begin the program on Tuesday, May 14th from 10-11am. However, there has been a minor bump in our plan, with the Walter Baker Pool closing before our last scheduled session. Please stay tuned as we work with the coordinator to find a solution.

VALUING VOICES STUDENT SURVEY



Jockvale needs your help! The OCDSB 2024 Valuing Voices survey is scheduled to close on Friday, May 10th.

This survey collects really important information about students, safety, sense of belonging, experience with bullying, and more. The more parents who complete the survey, the better able we are to support your child at school. Please do not miss this opportunity!

If you haven't already done so, please check your email for the personalized survey link that was sent to you (one for each child). Please complete the survey before the deadline on May 10th.

If you have any questions about the survey, visit: ocdsb.ca/studentsurvey

JESC NEWS

The next School Council Meeting is set for May 15th at 6pm located in the library. All are welcome to attend, childcare can be arranged for those who need it. If you are unable to attend but want to join from home please email sc-jockvalees@ocdsb.ca for the link.

Spring Fling, our annual year end party, is Wednesday, June 12 from 4 to 6 pm on the school yard. There will be a variety of fun activities for the kids all of which are free.

With the rising cost of rentals for inflatables, the school council would like to run our own BBQ this year to raise funds to off-set the cost of the event. This will also make it more affordable for families to purchase dinner and snacks as prices will be much lower than the food trucks from prior years. However, this will only be possible with the help of a lot of volunteers. We are looking for people interested in doing the following tasks:

- Barbeque hot dogs, hamburgers and veggie burgers
- make popcorn or cotton candy
- sell food items
- supervise activities

As the saying goes "many hands, make light work". We are hoping that a large number of people will help out for a short shift to allow everyone a chance to enjoy the event. If you can lend a hand please contact jockvalevolunteers@gmail.com

Have a nice weekend,

Loretta and Karl



MAY 14 - JUNIOR TRACK & FIELD DAY @ JOCKVALE
MAY 14 - SWIM TO SURVIVE (EF34A/R34A)
MAY 15 - PRIMARY TRACK & FIELD DAY @ JOCKVALE
MAY 20 - VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL
MAY 21 - SWIM TO SURVIVE (EF34A/R34A)
MAY 22 - MONDAY SCHEDULE
MAY 23 - TRIP TO MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE
MAY 27 TO 29 - EQAO FOR GRADE 6
MAY 28 - WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN NIGHT
MAY 30, 31, JUNE 3RD - EQAO FOR GRADE 3
JUNE 12 - SPRING FLING
JUNE 25 - GRADE 6 LEAVING CEREMONY
JUNE 26 - GRADE 6 ESCAPE ROOM TRIP
JUNE 27 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Religious/Creed-Based Days of Observance - Ottawa-Carleton District School Board