

JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - SEPT. 8TH, 2023



Dear Jockvale Families,

Happy Friday! We did it - our first week of school is in the books! It was a positive (and hot) week, and our Jaguars enjoyed meeting their educators and friends. We are excited to be back and it shows. We will be celebrating our students' ideas and actions with the "Paws" program in which we recognize our students' "pawsitivity" for demonstrating positive [character traits](#) and citizenship. The character trait being highlighted in September is "Acceptance".

CLASSROOM PLACEMENTS - As a school team, we put a great deal of thought and time into organizing classes. We consider a variety of criteria, such as the academic and social needs of our students. Jockvale continues to receive registrations and are subject to potential class reorganizations according to board directives. We want to minimize additional changes and transitions for our students. Families will be informed of any changes that affect their child(ren)'s class placement.

DRESS CODE - The OCDSB has a dress code policy. It is important to note that the school will not **intervene with respect to style or choice of clothing, only clothing messages**. This includes, but is not limited to the wearing of hats, style of shirts, and length and positioning of clothing.

1. The Board recognizes that all students have the right to express themselves fully in school through choosing clothing, hair styles, jewelry and accessories that appropriately represent and affirm their varied identities.
2. Clothing may not depict, advertise or advocate the use of alcohol, tobacco, cannabis or other controlled substances.
3. Clothing may not depict nudity or feature profanity.
4. Clothing or personal possessions may not use or depict bias, prejudice or hate speech targeting individuals or groups based on prohibited grounds of discrimination.
5. Inappropriate dress includes any clothing or personal possession that has representations and/or language that depict violence, profanity, discriminatory, hateful, or sexually explicit images or sentiments is prohibited.

LITTERLESS LUNCHES - The Jockvale community is asked to pack litterless lunches and snacks. Our students and staff are asked to bring all green, recycling and waste back home at the end of the day. Not only does it help ensure that green, recycling and garbage are properly sorted at home, it helps the school better manage its waste. Additionally, it helps raise

awareness around making litterless food choices and helps parents understand what their child eats at school. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Terry Fox: Canadian Hero

JOCKVALE RUNS & WALKS FOR TERRY FOX: Fundraising & Parent Volunteers -

Jockvale is proudly taking part in the annual Terry Fox School Run to continue Terry's dream of a world without cancer. Our event will take place on September 22nd (rain date: September 26) from 11:15am to 1:15pm (approx.) on school property. We will be collecting Toonies for Terry on September 19th, or families can make a donation electronically through our [fundraising page](#). (When donating electronically, you do not have to fill out all the boxes about student/class etc., just your email address and payment information.)

We are looking for parent/guardian volunteers! If you are available to help out, please fill in this [Google Form](#) by Wednesday, September 13th. If there is a lot of interest, we will do a draw for helpers, and send home the volunteer form with your child. Please contact brittany.findlay-mitchell@ocdsb.ca if you have any questions.

MEET THE EDUCATORS - Please join us at Jockvale on Tuesday, September 19th to meet your child's educators!



 **MEET THE EDUCATORS** 

Please join us at
JOCKVALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
for our
MEET THE EDUCATOR EVENT
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th, 2023
Time: 4 pm to 6 pm

Jockvale Elementary School Council
will have
Snacks and Drinks for sale



Enjoy the weekend!

Loretta and Karl



SEPT 19 - TOONIES FOR TERRY
SEPT 19 - MEET THE EDUCATOR @ JOCKVALE (4 pm to 6 pm)
SEPT 22 - TERRY FOX WALK/RUN
SEPT 27 - FIRST SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING @ JOCKVALE
SEPT 27 - ROWAN'S LAW DAY
SEPT 30 - NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION