## JOCKVALE'S FRIDAY MESSAGE - SEPT. 27th, 2024



**NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION** - Both the <u>National Day for Truth and</u> <u>Reconciliation</u> and Orange Shirt Day take place on September 30th. The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is a day of mourning and remembrance for Indigenous Peoples, and offers an opportunity to reflect and honour survivors, their families, and communities. (https://www.canada.ca/en/canadianheritage/campaigns/national-day-truth-reconciliation.html)

<u>Orange Shirt Day</u> is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual, family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of "Every Child Matters". The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations.

On Monday, September 30th, we encourage all students and staff to wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.



**JOCKVALE RUNS & WALKS FOR TERRY FOX** - We are thrilled to share that Jockvale raised **\$2000** for The Terry Fox Foundation this fall! Amazing! We are thankful for your generosity and support, as well as the enthusiasm of our awesome students and staff. Thank you, Jockvale Families!



<u>JOCKVALE GOES ICE SKATING</u> - For the first time in almost five years, Jockvale students (grades 1 to 6) and staff will be ice skating indoors at Walter Baker Arena next door! Homeroom teachers have signed up for dates between October 15th, 2024 and February 25th, 2025. These trips are free of charge! Your child's homeroom teacher will contact you about dates, times, permission forms, and volunteer opportunities.

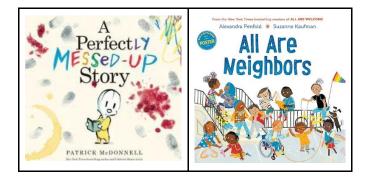
Students will require ice skates, CSA approved helmets, and appropriate winter clothing to participate.

Although the school cannot provide skating equipment for all students, we have some skates and helmets. We are seeking donations of gently used skates and helmets to build our collection. Please contact Gerald Meilleur (gerald.meilleur@ocdsb.ca) or the school (613-825-1224) about equipment donations. Thanks!

**JOCKVALE LIBRARY** - The library has been open for two weeks now and most of our students should have had at least one chance to visit so far.

The first week we read <u>A Perfectly Messed Up Story</u> and learned about how to take care of our books. This week we read <u>All Are Neighbours</u> and we learned about being a community.

Please remind your child to take good care of their library books and to keep them in a safe place at home. Please send your child's books back to school on their library day each week. We appreciate your help keeping our library in great shape. If your child is a primary student they should have a library bag with their name on it. We ask that you please use this bag to carry the books back and forth between school and home to try to help minimize damage to the books.



<u>JOCKVALE ON INSTAGRAM</u> - Jockvale is on Instagram! You can find us by looking up @jockvale.ocdsb, where we share photos featuring student work, class activities, and school events. Check us out!

## **SAFETY @ JOCKVALE** -

**BACK GATE -** In the fall and spring, we lock the back gate of the school yard from approximately 9:30 am to 2:00 pm. The public path adjacent to our back yard has a lot of foot traffic and we want to prevent unwanted interactions and potential problems. We also have our duty staff monitor the fence lines during recesses. Thanks for your support.

## JESC NEWS -

School Year 2024-25 JESC elections Results: Chair- Sarah Allen

Vice Chair- Sarah Monroe Secretary- Elise Currie Treasurer- Kate Evans Fundraising Chair- Krista McIsaac Communication Chair- Ashley Rohr Volunteer Coordinator- Caitlyn Prevost Principal- Loretta Dupuis Vice Principal- Sara Azarbar Office Administrator- Brenda Feldbruegge Teacher Representative- Sara Baines Parents At-Large:

- Andre Bergeron
- Lauren Reis
- Cheryl Strautman
- Fiona Stanfield

Next School Council Meetings are set for the following dates at 6pm and all are welcome to attend.

- October 9th, 2024
- November 13th, 2024
- December 11th 2024
- January 8th 2025
- February 12th, 2025
- March 5th, 2025
- April 9th, 2025
- May 14th, 2025
- June 4th, 2025

Great news! After receiving such a positive response the trial of "The Baker", you will soon see the option on School Cash Online to submit an order for your child to receive a pie every Monday for the rest of the school year!

Enjoy the weekend,

Loretta and Sara



OCT 08 - BUS SAFETY PRESENTATIONS @ JOCKVALE OCT 14 - THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY - NO SCHOOL OCT 15 - IEPs EMAILED HOME OCT 15 - SKATING TRIPS BEGIN Religious/Creed Based Days & Dates of Significance