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*At Century, we work on Character every day.
Integrity, Empathy and Resilience are at the core of all we do.*

School Spirt Matters. One great way to show your school spirit is to wear our cool Century Gear. An order form is include in the newsletter. Check it out!

BIG CHANGES for Busses & Bell Times for 2015-16. Starting next fall, **Century will start and end 15 minutes earlier and so our day will begin at 8:00 and end at 2:30.** Further, the walk zones for all schools in all boards in Ottawa have been reviewed and big changes are coming. **Many of our students in grades 1 to 6 will be walking to school next year.** The walk zones for our Kindergarten students are unchanged and so most of our Kinders will receive transportation to school. Please have a look at page two of this newsletter to see whether or not a bus will serve your family. We are in the process of creating more personalized communication to ensure there are no surprises in the fall. Questions or concerns - please call!

Character cries out at Century... Century Shout Outs! At Century we look for ways to recognize children who show themselves to be good people and good learners. Cyclone Shout Outs are read on the announcements. It's our way of showing that we value integrity and empathy. This month Shout Outs go to Yasmin & Malak (Mr. McCann), Simon (Ms. Hayes), Amber & Jenna (Ms. McEachen). We appreciate your good work!

Century's Annual Community Potluck is on Thursday, April 30th from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at Merivale High School and you are invited! Many children and their families have joined Century's vibrant community from all over the city and all over the world and so we are all going to get together to have dinner, get to know each other a little bit better and celebrate our diversity. A flyer is included in this Newsletter. Please complete page and send it back to school straightaway so we know how many chairs we will need. Further, after the meal, there will be an opportunity to perform. Should you, your family or your child wish to share a cultural performance with us we will be thrilled to watch. There is a spot on the back of the form for this information too. See you at the Potluck at Merivale High School.

Head Lice Season is Still Here and we are finding more and more - yikes! Ottawa Public Health recommends that **parents check their children's head weekly for Head Lice.** Lice do not pick and choose their victims based on social status, and it is not a sign of un-cleanliness. If you discover head lice on your child, notify the school and/or childcare provider immediately. Children with head lice should not attend a school or childcare facility until they have had the first of two treatments. If your child does get head lice, be sure to check all other family members, including adults.

The Condition of the Yard Varies From Day to Day. Some days we are requiring children to wear all winter gear and other days we are allowing them to remove hats & coats. On warmer days, we expect children to have boots and snow pants to be on the snowy fields. Please continue to send your children to school in winter clothing so they can focus on learning after recess instead of being distracted by very wet pants and feet - yuck! Your assistance is appreciated.

Thanks so much for your continued support.

Dave Petrie
Proud Principal

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Character and Academic Pride

Each month Century Public School celebrates the accomplishments of students. We are working towards building global citizens, ones who embody positive character and a commitment to academics. Each month two students are selected from each class who clearly have demonstrated what is representative of good citizenship. Congratulations to those students who were selected in February.

Ms. O'Brien, Ms Wagle & Ms. Perera, JK/SK
Academic— Zoe

Ms. Jones, Gr. 2
Character— Yakoub
Academic— Simon

Mr. O'Brien, Gr. 4/5
Character— Khadar
Academic— Luke

Ms. Nicole, Ms. Jessie, Ms. Geetika, JK/SK
Character— Mohamed, Jae Yoon
Academic— Liam

Ms. Bickford, Gr. 3
Academic— Haider

Ms. McEachen, Gr. 5/6
Character— Amber
Academic— Qiyuan

Ms. Tratch, Gr. 3
Character— Luotes
Academic— Owen

Ms. Hayes, Gr. 5/6
Character— Noor
Academic— Jad

Ms. Westine, Ms. Whiteduck, SK/Gr. 1
Character— Narjis
Academic— Jalal

Ms. Hildebrand/Ms. Epton, Gr. 1/2/3
Character— Yara
Academic— Jayden

EDP
Character— Julie

Ms. Starowicz, Gr. 1
Character— Kally
Academic— Connor

Mr. McCann, Gr. 4
Character— Omar
Academic— Mahammud

Ms. Knelson, Gr. 2
Character— Katie
Academic— Jasmine

Century Events

Fri, April 3rd	Good Friday—no school
Mon, April 6th	Easter Monday—no school
Thurs, April 9th	School Council—6:30 p.m. in the Century Library
Tues, April 21st	Gr 6 tour of Sir Winston Churchill 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Weds, April 22nd	Administrative Professionals Day!
Thurs, April 30	Community Potluck @ Merivale High School, 6 to 8 p.m., info attached
Fri, May 1st	Four Houses Assembly @ 11:15 a.m.
Ongoing	Kindergarten Registration



From the Office



Milk Orders

Milk orders for the spring term are due **Tuesday April 7th** to the office. The form is available on line on our school website www.centurypublicschool.ca

Guest Sign-In

All schools work to keep their environment as safe as possible and Century is no different. When adults arrive to the school we ask that they all sign-in, and this must also include our parent community. Any person other than a Century Staff member must sign-in and be wearing a guest badge. Thank you for your cooperation.

Student Lates

Throughout the year it is common that some students may be late for school but when this becomes the norm it is a problem. Our school day begins with the bell at 8:15am.

“Tell Them From Me” Student Survey for Gr 4-6 Students

As per the Education Act, all OCDSB students Grades 4 through 6 are being asked to participate in an anonymous school climate survey. Century students in Grades 4 through 6 will be completing the survey this month.

A letter and notice of non-consent have been sent home with all Century students in Grades 4, 5 and 6. The student survey is completed at school and takes approximately 40 minutes to complete. It is completely anonymous and confidential.

If you do not want your Grade 4, 5 or 6 child to participate in the anonymous survey, please fill out the bottom portion of the form and return it to Ms. Rainer in the Office by Friday, April 17th.

Community Events

Ottawa Children's Choir Auditions

The Directors of the Ottawa Children's Choir, Jackie Hawley and Allison Prowse, invite you to audition for the upcoming season. Auditions are open to **students ages 8-15 (as of Sept 1, 2015)**. Auditions will be held the mornings of **Saturday, April 25, 2015 and Saturday, May 30th, 2015**. For more information or to book an audition, please email info@ottawachildrenschoir.ca or call 613-233-4440. www.ottawachildrenschoir.ca

Redirecting Children's Behaviour - Parent Workshop

Adrienne Clarkson Elementary School Council welcomes [Marion Balla](#) from Adlerian Counseling and Consulting Group to host a parent workshop. Children learn from an early age that negative behaviour guarantees attention and involvement by adults. As parents and teachers, we need to monitor our reactions to ensure that cooperative behaviours are being encouraged on a daily basis. This workshop, [Redirecting Children's Behaviour](#), will offer strategies to re-channel challenging behaviours toward life skills training and new options for children to consider. Methods of encouragement to increase positive experiences between children and adults will be highlighted.

When: **Thursday, April 16, 2015**

Where: Adrienne Clarkson Elementary School Gym
170 Stoneway Drive, Barrhaven
Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

FREE Childcare, please RSVP at aceschoolcouncil@gmail.com to reserve your childcare spot, space is limited.

Centrepointe Early Childhood Resource Centre presents the following parent workshop:

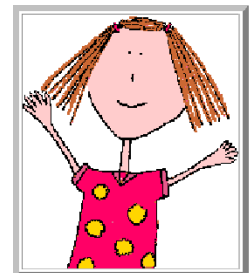
Building Resilience in Young Children

Tuesday, April 7, 14, 21 and 28th 6:30-8:30 pm

Resilience is the ability to steer through life challenges and find ways to bounce back and to thrive. Children build their resilience when they are given opportunities to learn skills and participate in meaningful activities at home and in their community. Practical tips for parents: on simple messages about how to build resilience from infancy to age 6.

Parent Workshops All workshops require pre-registration via phone at 613-225-4819 or email at: info@centrepointechildcareservices.com

Centrepointe Early Childhood Resource Centre
75 Hemmingwood Way, Nepean, K2G 5T6 613-225-4819



Century Public School invites you to a Spring Community Potluck!



This is an invitation to all of our families (new and old) to get together over a good meal, make new friends and celebrate our many cultures.

- Thursday April 30th from 6:00 to 8:00 at Merivale High School
- Everyone brings a dish of food and a serving spoon
- We provide paper plates, cutlery, seats, tables and entertainment
- we all share the wonderful food
- Please complete the table below and return it to school straight away

It is important that we know how many people are coming so we can have enough tables, chairs, plates, etc.

We are looking forward to seeing you

Your family name Eg. "The Kwans"	How many are coming?	What dish you will bring?	Do you or your child want to perform? See back of this sheet.

Performance Outline

The reason we are inviting children and / or their families to perform is to provide an opportunity to celebrate our multi-cultural community. This is not a Talent Contest. Please give us an idea of what you would like to do.

Who will perform: _____

What will be performed: _____

From what Country, Region or Culture does it originate: _____

We will have a sound system, a piano and can play CDs and iPods. We will require your music 1 week in advance so we can organize the show.

What will you need for your performance? _____

Should we have questions about your performance, who should we call?

Name: _____

Best number to call: _____

Thanks for your support!