



CenturyPublicSchool

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*At Century, we think about Character everyday:
Integrity & Empathy are at the core of all we do.*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are proud of your children's work. They are trying really hard!

Term 1 Reports and Term 2 IEP's went home this week. We strive to report in clear language with a focus on strengths and next steps. The marks your child receives are important but not as important as his or her next steps. Please be sure both you and your child understand what needs to be done to improve at school. Finally, you should know that Parent Teacher Conferences are not offered at any of our schools after the meetings in the Fall. However, if you feel the need to meet with one of our fine teachers, please feel free to contact us at school. We would be pleased to discuss how you can support your child's learning at home.

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. Most 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 the maps inside the 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!

Speaking about Character... 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 Leah (Ms. O'Brien & Ms. Perera), Elijah (Ms. Hildebrand & Ms. Epton), Wisal, Seleina, Shada, Raj, Mina & Intisar, and Hernan & Nathaniel (Ms. Hayes). Thanks boys and girls. We appreciate your good work!

Head Lice Season is Here—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.

Century on the Internet and Twitter . We have been working on our school's website and we invite you to take a look. You can find us at <http://centuryps.ocdsb.ca/>. Our goal is to provide you with information about our school and we plan to put more of an emphasis on student work. Watch for this! You can also follow us on Twitter: @CenturyPS. Twitter is an excellent way to pass on critical info. in a hurry. Items such as late busses, snow days, late field trips, reminders about school events can all be sent by us to your cell phone quickly and easily so... why not follow us?

Thanks so much for your continued support. Your children are really doing well!

Dave Petrie
Proud Principal, Century Public School

Century Public School 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 January.

**Ms. O'Brien, Ms. Wagle,
Ms. Perera**
Character— Savio
Academic— Darya

**Ms. Hodgson, Ms. Geetika,
Ms. Keira**
Character— Lorelei
Academic— Hasan

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

Ms. Starowicz Gr. 1
Character— Lina
Academic— Dinesh

Ms. Knelsen Gr. 2
Character— Hassan
Academic— Alyssa

Ms. Jones Gr. 2
Character— Sofia
Academic— Ragdah

Ms. Bickford Gr. 3
Character— Maxwell
Academic— Abdul

Ms. Tratch Gr. 3
Character— Mohamad
Academic— Dorsa

**Ms. Hildebrand/Ms. Epton
Gr. 1/2/3**
Character— Ashley
Academic— Jaxson

Mr. McCann Gr. 4
Character— Aisha
Academic— Mohammad

Mr. O'Brien Gr. 4/5
Character— Meena
Academic— Sam

Ms. McEachen 5/6
Character— Theland
Academic— Mamadou

Ms. Hayes Gr. 5/6
Character— Brandon
Academic— Anthony

EDP
Character—Robbie

CENTURY EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

Wed. Feb. 5	Reports should have arrived at Home
Thurs Feb 12	Red, White and Pink Day at Century, School Council Mtg in Sir Winston Churchill Staff Room @ 6:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb 13	PA Day—No School
Mon. Feb. 16	Family Day (no school for students)
Fri Feb 27	Four Houses Assembly @ 8:45 and Day of Pink

OCDSB Important Dates to Remember

Kindergarten Registration Period	Ongoing
Visit the Century Public School office today, early registration helps us with planning for Sept. 2015	
Student Transfer Application Period	Mon Feb 9—Fri Feb 20
Middle French Immersion Registration Period	Tues Feb 17—Mon Feb 28



Volleyball

Volleyball is in full swing. Both the boys and girls are working hard at developing skills and are coming along beautifully. Volleyball is being offered as a club during recess for our grade 5 and 6 students. They are exploring the game through lead up activities and are gaining a deeper understanding of the skills needed to play the game all the while building strategies.

Middle French Immersion

The entry point for middle French immersion for the OCDSB is grade 4. Students residing in our area who are entering into the program are encouraged to register during the registration period which is: **Tuesday, February 17 to Monday, February 23, 2015.**

As Century Public School is a single track, regular English program site, students entering the MFI program will be registering at Carleton Heights Public School and transferring schools. Please contact Carleton Heights at 224-7922 for further information. the OCDSB website at www.ocdsb.ca.

A Safe and Caring School

From the Office:



Late for School

Please ensure that you are getting ready with enough time to arrive at school for our 8:15am start. The teaching/learning day begins

immediately following our announcements and when children are late they are missing key information and it is impacting their learning as well as the learning of their classmates. Please plan to arrive on time.

Parents in the Hall

It has come to our attention that during the day we are finding parents in our hallways. This is a safe schools issue. Parents who need to pick up their children between the hours of 8:15am and 2:45pm should go to the main office and we will call your child down. All visitors to our school should check in at the office and affix a visitors pass. Parents should not be going directly to classrooms or cubby areas. Thanks for your cooperation.

Transportation

Inclement Weather: School Transportation Cancellations

On mornings when the weather is bad and the buses may not be running because of poor road conditions, please listen to the radio. Announcements will be made on:

CBC 91.5, CFRA 580am, CHEZ 106.1, Virgin Radio 106.9, BOB FM 93.9, Majic 100.3, CHRI 99.1, HOT 89.9

When buses are not running the schools remain open, teachers and staff will be in attendance. If parents choose to drive their children to school, please remember to pick them up again at the end of the day.

If buses are not running, please ensure you make contact with the school by using the online attendance on our website: www.centurypublicschool.ca or by calling 613-224-5672. If you have access to the internet, the web is your best and most efficient option.

When there are no buses in the morning there are no buses for the rest of the day.



