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NEWSLETTER

School Start Time: 8:45a.m.

Dismissal Time: 3:15 p.m.

(Please no calls for pickup after
2:30 p.m. as we can't guarantee
we can meet your request as it is
a very busy time of day.)

"BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE"

"We become caring people by doing caring things."

Principal's Message:

We had a fantastic September with many events to kick off the school year. This year, we divided all students and staff into ten Colour House teams. We will have monthly Colour House challenges and "just for fun" spirit days designed to promote team building, leadership, a sense of community, and civic-mindedness. In September, we had our Colour House kick-off and our "Squirt the Shirt" activity where teams dyed their team t-shirts using spray bottles. Our October challenge will be announced soon!



It was my pleasure to see so many families at "Meet the Teacher" and at this year's first School Council meeting. Many parents have signed up to receive my "text blasts" for timely Oneida news. Please see the instructions at the end of this newsletter if you would like to sign up.

Oneida students participated in the Terry Fox Run on Sept. 28th. It was a great day for running. We accumulated 1439 km in one hour of running. That's almost 6 km a student. So far we have raised \$1750 from donations and online pledges, surpassing our goal of \$1500!

Our Fair Day was Friday, September 29th. The Cheerleading squad and the Spirit team were excellent Oneida ambassadors at the Caledonia Fair. Oneida students' art exhibits were very well received!



We wish all our families a happy Thanksgiving on Monday, Oct. 9th.

Mrs. Judy Townson

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Busses:

Just a reminder that our front driveway cannot be used between **8:25-8:45** and **3:00-3:30** as buses are dropping off and picking up students. Some buses are not always on time, which is why that area must be left for buses only during those times.

Safe Arrival and Dismissal:

If your student is not arriving by bus, we have designated 7 parking spots for student drop off at the gym end of the school. This should help get several cars off the road at high traffic times. If you are parking in one of these spots, please do not drive through the bus loop. Kindly use the far entrance as your entry and exit point.

Arrival and Pick-ups: School starts at 8:45. If you are dropping your child at school, please see them safely to the painted walking path that takes them to the back playground. Dismissal is at 3:15. If you are meeting your child at the door please promptly escort them back to your vehicle.



Please note that students arriving through the front door of the school after the 8:45 bell has rung need to sign in at the office for a late slip.

Picture Day – For all our students will be on **Wednesday, October 11th**. Re-takes are scheduled for Thursday, November 23rd.



School Council There will be a meeting on Tuesday, Oct.24th @ 6:30 p.m. All parents are welcome to attend.

Milk Program White or chocolate milk is available every day during the first Nutrition Break. **Milk cards can be purchased on the School Cash Online (KEV) cashless system only.** We will not be accepting cash. A milk card for 5 cartons costs \$3.50 or a milk card for 10 cartons costs \$7.00, or 30 milk card for \$21.00. Milk cards not completely used up at the end of last year will be honoured.



Lunch Lady and Pizza Days Pizza days will be every Friday starting October 6th. *The Lunch Lady* is being offered every Tuesday starting October 10th and twice weekly (Tuesdays and Thursdays) starting the first week in November. Please visit www.thelunchlady.ca to see the menu and to place orders.

Looking Ahead at Oneida Dates

Oct.3	Professional Activity Day- No school
Oct.4	Junior Soccer Tournament – Dunnville
Oct.5	Intermediate Soccer Tournament - Dunnville
Oct.9	Thanksgiving Day – No school
Oct.11	Picture Day – all grades (Re-takes Nov. 23)
Oct.19	Cross Country Team – Taquanyah
Oct. 20	Cross Country – rain date
Oct.23	Immunization Clinic –Grade 7
Oct. 24	School Council 6:30
Oct. 31	Black and Orange day

Sign up for important updates from Mrs. Townson.

Get information for Oneida Central right on your phone—not on handouts.

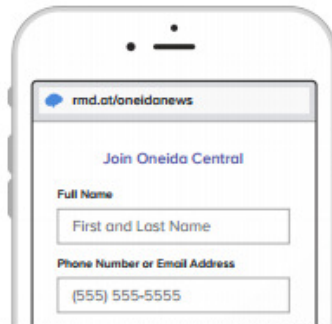
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On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/oneidanews

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @oneidanews to the number (519) 488-9376.



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Parents:

Are you interested in receiving information directly to your phone from the school? Want a reminder that it's Picture Day, or that the phones are down or that busses are running late? Follow these instructions to receive my text blasts to keep you in the loop!

No phone? No problem. Use the link provided to subscribe via email.

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