



# Ottawa TEAM News

February 10, 2022

## Principal's Message

Ottawa students continue to learn and grow! Students completed winter assessments (caregiver reports will home next week) and continue to be readers, writers, thinkers, mathematicians, artists...well you get the picture. Ottawa staff continues to learn and grow too! Next Friday, February 18th, our staff will spend the morning in professional development trainings and the afternoon meeting in teams to review data and use the winter benchmark information to inform instruction and supports.

Last week, our administrative team sent out an email letting parents know that we will begin allowing volunteers into our building per staff needs. We know and appreciate how many of you are eager to lend a helping hand! Please be patient, though, as it does take time for teachers to plan and prepare materials as well as teach volunteers how to meet classroom and student needs. Volunteers should not just show up at the building without invitation, and when we do coordinate support, our Full Value Agreement of working together to be safe is at the core of our partnership. Our arrival and dismissal routines will remain the same at this point in time.

Finally, my family and I have made the very difficult decision for me to step-down as the Ottawa Principal at the end of this school year. I wanted to provide ample time for the hiring and transition process to unfold. It is an absolute honor to be the 'lead learner' and to be with the terrific Ottawa TEAM including you and your children. For the remainder of the year, our focus is on learning and growing, celebrating 'lightbulb' moments and shining efforts academically and social-emotionally!

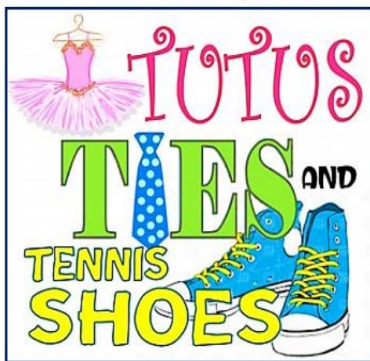
Have a great weekend!

## Daily Schedule:

- ◆ Playground is CLOSED before school.
- ◆ **No Adult Supervision prior to 7:50 a.m.**
- ◆ 7:55 a.m. staff will meet students at their designated door. Students arriving after 8:10 will need to enter through the main entrance.
- ◆ 8:10 a.m. classes begin.
- ◆ If your child is staying home sick, please be sure to call the office 231-348-2130 to report the absence. Please also be sure to list any symptoms that your child may be experiencing.
- ◆ **REMEMBER PE SHOES**
- ◆ If the need should arise that you need to pick up your child early please ring the bell. Ms. Maginnis will walk your child out to you.
- ◆ Item drop off. We respectfully ask that these visits are limited to essential only (forgotten lunch). Please ring the bell, provide Ms. Maginnis with the child and teacher name. You will be asked to leave the items in the drop box outside.
- ◆ Breakfast and lunch are currently available free of charge for all students.

## Two's Day, 2-22-22

### Is Coming Up!



"Think twice" and feel free to make "Two's Day," 2-22-22 a little more special! Dress up with your tutus, ties, or tennis shoes.



## Mark Your Calendars

2/18/22	NO SCHOOL Professional Development Day
2/21/22	NO SCHOOL Mid-Winter Break
2/22/22	Tutus, Ties, Tennis Shoes to celebrate Tuesday 2/22/22
3/15 & 3/17/22	Elementary Caregiver Conferences
3/18/22	NO SCHOOL
3/25-4/4	NO SCHOOL Spring Break

### Parent Communication

We will be working to utilize electronic means of communication, such as email, School Messenger, and the district website [www.petoskeyschools.org](http://www.petoskeyschools.org) to relay information in a timely and consistent manner. This will allow us to more quickly share important information with our parents and families. Please make sure that your email addresses and phone number are current and accurate. Please call the school office (231-348-2130) to update any contact information that you feel may be outdated.

### Health Screening

Please make sure you do not send your child to school if they are not feeling well. It is especially important to keep your child home if they exhibit the following symptoms:

- Temperature of 100.4 or signs of fever (chills/sweating)
- Sore throat
- New uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain
- New onset of severe headache

### Contacts:

Amy McMullen, Principal 231-348-2131

Ashley Maginnis, Secretary 231-348-2130

Rosie, bus questions 231-487-9632

Beth Kavanaugh, lunch 231-348-2183



The Public Schools of Petoskey is preparing to welcome the Northmen classes of 2035 and 2036!

**Little Northmen Preschool is currently accepting applications for children turning 4 by September 1st. Students will attend Monday - Thursday from 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM. Information about tuition rates and other important information can be found on our website.**

**Kindergarten Registration is open for the 2022/23 school year to children turning 5 by September 1st.**

**<https://www.petoskeyschools.org/enrollment/>**

### **\* BE ALERT\* Notifications and Smart911 Profile**

Sign up at [www.cceoem.net](http://www.cceoem.net) for school closing alerts, weather alerts, traffic updates and more.

This is a FREE service that will send alerts to you via text, email or voice call.

**End of day notes: If you need to make a change to your child's after school plan please call the office at 231-348-2130 before 2:30pm. We can not guarantee the delivery of messages after 2:30pm.**

**-Thank you**

**Plan ahead! Please make an afterschool plan with your child and be consistent to the best of your ability. Children do better when they know their end of day plan.**



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