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Upcoming Events:
Oct 12th – Thanksgiving (No Classes)
Oct 19th – School Pictures - Retakes
Oct 23rd – Pajama Day
Oct 30th – Halloween Activities

Welcome:
What a month September was!

We were thrilled to meet our students last month. It was fantastic to see returning students and students coming here for the first time!

Our Meet the Staff BBQ was a success. Thank you to all those who attended. Our staff was very appreciative to meet and chat with families. We also want to thank people who volunteered to set-up, barbeque and clean-up.

A highlight of October is our school's Thanksgiving meal. We had it again on Friday, October 9th. It was a great opportunity for our staff and students to come together.

In addition to our school meal, we will have a few other special events planned for October. We are looking forward to a great month.

We encourage you to call or email with any questions and/or comments

Mr. Costello & Ms. Tanya

Nut Allergies
O'Leary Elementary is a **peanut-free school**. Foods containing peanuts or traces of peanuts are not permitted.

Bus Passes:
The PSB is limiting bus passes this year. **Bus passes** can **only be granted** for **primary child care situations**.

Please send written notes to school with your child. Notes should contain student's name, and the name and address of the bus stop. We don't want to miss any requests.

If an emergency arises during the day, please call the office prior to 2:00 so that we have time to write and deliver passes.



School Arrival and Dismissal:

- Students can enter school at 8:40.
- Any students being dropped off must enter through the main door and we ask that students are not dropped off prior to 8:40.
- Families use visitor's parking spaces when dropping off students.
- Dismissal bell rings at 2:40.
- Students walk to the bus.
- Students walking/biking will leave after buses have left the parking lot.
- Students being picked up will go to the main door at approximately 2:45.
- Families use visitor's parking lot when picking up students. Please be at school by 2:45 to pick up students.

Remembrance Day
Essay and posters are due by Friday, October 30th if students are entering the Legion Remembrance Day Contest.

- Entry forms will be sent home and these forms must be signed by families.

Remembrance Day Service will be Tuesday, November 10th at 11:00.

School Pictures - Retakes
Retakes will be **Monday, October 19th**.

School Website:
The school website is a source of information for parents, guardians and community members. It can be accessed at: https://oleary.edu.pe.ca/

Save The Dates
Christmas Concert – December 15 (1:00)
Grade 6 Closing – June 24th (4:30)

The **PEI School Food Program** will be available again this school year. Families can register online at www.peischoolfood.ca.

The school lunch program will be offering white milk ($0.55) and chocolate milk ($0.90) daily.

Pizza and Garlic Fingers are now part of our lunch menu at a cost of $2.50 per slice. These will be offered every week.
Pizza – October 13th & October 27th
Garlic Finger – October 20th

Home & School – Playground News
Please check out our Facebook group (**O'Leary Elementary Playground Fundraising**). Feel free to like and share.
https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1Hpz5Na6TB/?mibextid=wwXIfr

We will be having a Pajama Day on Friday, October 23rd where all money raised will go towards our playground fund. All donations are greatly appreciated!

We will need volunteers throughout the year to assist in planning and fundraising. Many hands make light work.



Home & School Fundraiser
One of Home & School's biggest fundriasers is our Christmas Catalgoue. Students took home catalogues and order forms last week. Order forms can be completed online or returned to school. These are due by October 27th.

Money goes to support our students throughout the year.

Regular Hair Checks
We ask that parents/guardians check their child's hair on a regular basis for head lice. This is the most proactive way to control the spread of lice. Parents are reminded to contact the office if head lice are found.

As per the PSB Head Lice Management Protocol, when a child is in a class where a case of head lice is detected, a "letter of attention" will be sent home to parents/guardians of all students in that class so parents/guardians can check their child's hair at home and provide treatment if necessary.

Student Attendance

Every day counts.
Every student matters.

Regular attendance helps students build friendships, stay connected to learning, and develop the skills and confidence needed to succeed. We understand that families may face challenges that affect attendance, and schools are committed to partnering with families to support student success.

Children who attend school more regularly are more likely to feel confident, included, and to succeed academically.



Bus Safety Reminders

We ask you to chat with your children about the following safety items:

- Please be at the bus stop a few minutes prior to bus arrival. Bus times will be confirmed as we move through the first few days of school.
- When waiting for the bus, please stand a few feet away from the edge of the road.
- If children need to cross the road for the bus, please wait until the bus stops before crossing the road and make sure to look in both directions.

We practiced a bus evacuation in late September. Our bus drivers also worked with all Kindergarten students on how to safely wait for the bus, to look both ways when crossing the road, and to make sure that they are being safe when boarding and exiting the bus.



Dress for the Weather:

Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed to be outside for play. In the event that there is light rain, we plan on still going outside for fresh air.

Halloween Activities

We will have Halloween activities at school on Friday, October 30th. More information (activities, costumes, etc.) will be shared as the date approaches.

Book Draw Winners

Congratulations to our Book Draw winner for September:

- Daisy Clements

Check out the ticket at the bottom of the page to enter the October Book Draw.



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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Thanksgiving (No School)	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Photo Retakes	20	21	22	23 Pajama Day	24
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Book Draw

Read with your child and complete the following ticket to be entered into a draw for a **FREE** book.
Return this to your child's homeroom teacher by Friday, October 30th.

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Student Name: ____ Class: _________________

Title of Book Student Read: ____

Parent/Guardian Signature: ____
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