



## Hopewell Avenue Public School Council

### ***ParentSpeak***

*(Council's monthly newsletter)*

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“Meet the Trustee Candidates” on **Tuesday, October 12th, in the Library of Hopewell School, from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.**

# Meeting Notice

School Council Elections

7:30 pm - 9 pm

Tuesday October 12

Hopewell Ave. Public School Library

School Council is...

**Social:** Joining Council offers a great opportunity to meet new people. (Parents, teachers and administrators)

**Constructive:** Nothing beats the rewarding feeling of seeing projects from their initiation to completion and the impact it has on the children. Our committees make good things happen.

**Educational:** It provides great information sharing around issues in education. Learn about: curriculum, staffing, operations and policies.

**Charitable:** Every year Council looks for ways to reach out to less fortunate schools in our zone and our city. Whether it is in the donation of goods or funds, social responsibility is one of Council's important goals.

**Political:** Council contributes to community issues and has a role in advocating for changes in public education.

**Supportive:** Council is representative of our parent community and has a role in hearing their concerns and assisting or advising them on solutions and available resources.

School Council is a fantastic way to get tapped into the school community. Being an active member opens the door to countless opportunities and enrichment for our children. School Council is always hoping that **more parents will share their ideas and their time to keep our great programs and commitments alive.**

**All Parents are welcome.**

**For more information visit our website @ [www.hopewellschoolcouncil.com](http://www.hopewellschoolcouncil.com)**

The elected positions on Council are:

Chair  
Vice Chair  
Treasurer  
Secretary/Past Chair  
Primary Eng. Rep.  
Primary EFI Rep.  
Junior Eng. Rep.  
Junior EFI Rep.  
Junior MFI Rep.  
Intermediate EFI Rep.  
Intermediate Eng. Rep.  
Special Needs Rep.  
Communications  
Events Coordinator  
Volunteer Coordinators  
Hopewell Rep to OCASC

### Council Activities Include:

(Not an exclusive list)

- Fundraising- pizza & Subway lunch, grocery coupon program
- Resource Purchases-Technology and literacy resources for the classrooms
- Communications- ParentSpeak newsletter and council website
- Sales: Ski, Skate and Bike sales
- Sports: Cross country Skiing
- Space Camp
- Parties- Beach Party and end of year Fun Day
- Grassyard improvements
- School Supply Shopping Help

### Budget:

In the 2009/10 school year the Council raised \$38,704.55

### Council Communications

Council is trying to reduce paper but still maintain strong communication with Hopewell parents. However, we only have email addresses for 60% of Hopewell families. If you have not done so already, **please register your email via** the homepage of Council's website at [www.hopewellschoolcouncil.com](http://www.hopewellschoolcouncil.com).

**We really need the emails for the new students in JK, grade 4 MFI and grade 7.**



### Volunteer for Pizza Lunch

We are looking for a pizza lunch coordinator to take over from Claudia San Martin who has been running this fundraiser for the past few years. Claudia would like to work with a new pizza coordinator this year to show them the ropes so they would be trained up for the 2011/12 school year. If you are interested please email [parentspeak@gmail.com](mailto:parentspeak@gmail.com)

### Volunteer for The Safe Arrival Line

The administration is looking for a volunteer to coordinate the Safe Arrival Line. If you are interested please email [louise.andoff@ocdsb.ca](mailto:louise.andoff@ocdsb.ca)

### Dates to Remember

Meet the Teacher: October 5  
Thanksgiving: October 8  
Pizza Lunch: October 8 and 22  
Subway Lunch: October 15 and 29  
Council Meeting: October 12 at 7:30pm