

OTTER NEWS

September 19, 2022

Upcoming Events	
Date	Event
September 19	Day of Mourning the Queen – No school is session
September 20	First full day of Kindergarten
September 20	Terry Fox Run (12:45-1:45PM)
September 22	Meet the Teacher BBQ (4:00-6:00PM)
September 23	School Improvement Day – students not in session
September 29	Orange Shirt Day
September 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – Statutory Holiday, students not in session

Kindergarten Placements

Kindergarten students will be starting in their homeroom classes on September 20. Please contact the office if you are unsure about the location of their classroom.

Terry Fox Run

We are excited to be back together to Run for Terry. North Otter students have been raising money to meet our goal of \$800 for cancer awareness and research. Students can donate either by cash or using [School Cash Online](#). We will be doing our traditional route around the block and on school grounds. Kindergarten classes will stay on school grounds and do the green field loop. Any parents who have concerns about their child participating are asked to contact the classroom teacher.

Meet the Teacher BBQ, September 22, 4:00-6:00PM

We are excited to meet our parents on Thursday, September 22nd. The PAC has graciously offered to host a BBQ and serving food for those who will be visiting us between 4:00-6:00PM. We ask parents to enter the classroom using the classroom exterior doors when you are doing your tour of the classroom. PAC is still looking for volunteers to help with this event. If you are able to help, please contact northotterpac@gmail.com

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Due to the statutory holiday on September 30th, North Otter will be remembering National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (Orange Shirt Day) on September 29th. We encourage parents to talk with their children about why we recognize the day. We know orange shirts are hard to find this time of the year and if you find yourself without one, that's ok. We often have students/staff pin an orange heart or orange shirt on their shirt to show they care.

Students Arriving Late

If your child is arriving late, please keep in mind that attendance has already been submitted and students will need to check in with the office. If you arrive after 8:40AM, please drop your child off at the front of the building and have them check in with Mrs. Hajt.

Staying Connected

Much of the communication this year will come from school-wide emails and information posted on the school website. Please ensure that we have your most up-to-date email address on MyEd. The calendar on our [school website](#) shows all the events as they are added or amended by our school staff and front office.

Volunteers Welcome

The Breakfast Club is looking for volunteers to help with serving meals during the morning. If you are able to help out, please reach out to Cheri (cherimcbride@gmail.com) and let her know your availability.

If you are interested in volunteering for other future events at North Otter, please complete a [volunteer form here](#)

Otter Athletics

We are excited to welcome back the volleyball and cross country teams at North Otter. This week we will be hosting a meeting for all grade 6 and 7 students interested in competing this year. Please encourage your child to attend the meeting and to give the sport a try. No prior experience is needed and it's a great way to connect with new friends.

Athletic fees will be \$20 and cover the cost of athletic gear (tshirt, water bottle, bag, etc.).