

Important Dates:

March - Days of Significance

March 11th to 15th **March Break - no school**

March 18th **Welcome Back to School**

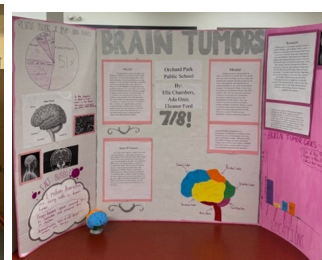
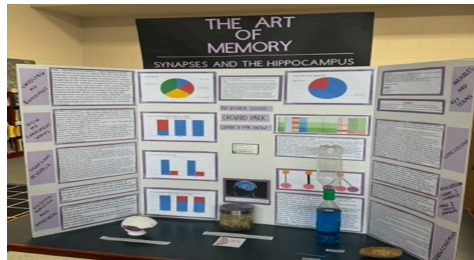
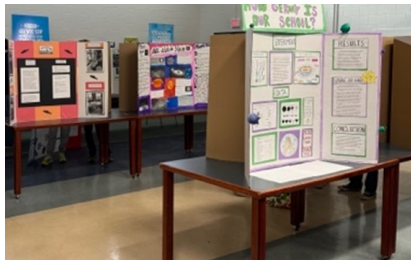
Happy Ramadan

Ramadan occurs on the evening of March 10 and concludes with Eid on April 8 or 9 or 10. During this time, we can offer a variety of accommodations. Please contact the homeroom teacher so we can best support your child(ren) during these times.



Grade 8 Families - For planning purposes, we want to let you know that Grade 8 Graduation Pictures will be on Thursday, March 21st.

FOCUS ON LEARNING GRADE 7 and 8 SCIENCE



Our grade 7 and 8 students were engaged in a Science Fair this past week. Here are the thoughts from one of our grade 8 students on the event...

When the science fair was assigned, I was unsure about it. Science isn't my favourite subject, and from my understanding, this would be a lengthy project. Once I came across what I wanted to study and experiment with, I became extremely excited and got to work immediately. Overall I feel like the project helped me to have a strong interest in science. It was a great experience and allowed every student to research deeply into a topic they are interested in while using scientific methods and learning to manage their time, organize a project in

a visually pleasing manner, and practice their speaking skills by talking about a topic and answering questions solely based on their background knowledge as we had no idea what to expect from students or parents who asked questions. The hardest part of the experiment was creating the board. It was the method of presenting all of your work over the past few months, on a piece of cardboard for teachers, students, and families to see.

All lost and found items are on display in the foyer until next Friday, if you think your child has lost an item please stop by to look.

Firehouse Subs are now available to purchase for March 28th.

Check out the new options for Pita Pit starting after March Break.

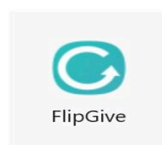
Flip Give Fundraiser

https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?fundraiser_nme=J+M&joincode=X6WH3V



The image shows a FlipGive fundraiser page for the Orchard Park Panthers. At the top, the FlipGive logo is displayed next to a yellow sticky note pinned with a red pushpin that says "Updates". Below the logo, it says "JUST 24 DAYS LEFT!" and "HELP THE OP PANTHERS REACH \$300!!". The team name "Orchard Park Panthers" is prominently featured, along with a description: "Funds will be pooled to purchase outdoor equipment to revamp the outdoor space at OP." The location is listed as "Niagara Falls # X6WH3V Elementary School". A progress bar shows "\$229.12 EARNED". To the right, there is a handwritten "thank you!" in blue ink. Below the team information, a large red arrow points to a summary box containing three statistics: "Days Left 24", "Players 9", and "Supporters 24".

ON MOBILE



OR

DESKTOP



<https://flipgive.app.link/teams/>

A reminder to please coordinate plans for pick-up that are out-of-the-ordinary, before the school day and communicate them with the school through Safe Arrival. We will do our best to have your child ready to go and at the office for the time you indicate in the Safe Arrival system. It is also a good idea to communicate with your child's teacher and let them know as well.

The office at Orchard Park can be a busy place. In an attempt to minimize disruptions during instructional time, we are asking that unexpected dismissals and phone calls to relay messages to change pick-up arrangements be limited to emergencies only.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation as we work to provide your children with an uninterrupted school day.

Have a great weekend!

Orchard Park Staff