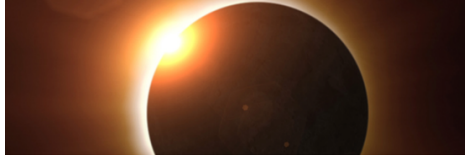


Friday April 5, 2024.

Good afternoon Osler community,

Welcome Back  
Solar Eclipse  
PAC News (along with an attachment to this email)

We are so happy to see everyone back reconnecting with peers and moving back into school routines. It's lovely to chat with students about their Spring Break and find out what activities they participated in.



Partial Solar Eclipse

As you are likely aware from news reports, there will be a solar eclipse on April 8, that will impact Vancouver from approximately 10:40 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. Environment Canada's [forecast](#) for the day cloudy with a chance of showers which should somewhat obstruct the solar eclipse but does not completely block the sun.

The Vancouver School Board has provided direction based on advice from Vancouver Coastal Health's medical officer, that younger students who may not be able to follow directions closely or understand the risk associated with the eclipse should be kept inside with the blinds down during the solar eclipse. As such, please be advised that outdoor activities between 10:40 a.m. and 12:20 p.m. will be restricted for Osler students. This means that students will remain indoors during the recess break and in the lunchroom until 12:25. Staff may choose to provide an outdoor break before or after 10:40am, or after 1:00 pm.

During a solar eclipse, public health advice is to use proper eye protection. Students and staff have been informed to avoid looking directly at the sun during the eclipse without proper eye protection. We ask for your assistance and support to educate your children on the importance of wearing protective glasses or certified eclipse glasses or handheld solar viewers (e.g., ISO 12312-2) if you choose to observe the eclipse with your child.

As the solar eclipse is an educational opportunity for students, school staff may provide viewing alternatives to outside activities, including live streaming of the eclipse in classrooms.



### **Osler Running Club Race Info**

This is a friendly reminder that there is an exciting opportunity for the Osler Kilometer Club to participate as a team in The Longest Day Race. Students are starting to sign up J **The race will be held in the evening at UBC on Friday, June 14.**

Students can enter as a runner in **the Kid's Mile** (1.6 km) or the **5 km Road Race**. In preparation for the 5 km, we will be starting to extend Friday Kilometer Club runs to longer distances starting next week.

**Please register using this link.** Family members and students who do not run in Kilometer Club are more than welcome to join us:

- <https://www.thunderbirdstrack.org/longest-day-2024/registration/longest-day-road-race-2024-race-entry>

Early bird pricing is until April 14. When asked for a team/club name, please list **Osler Running Club** on your registration.



The Osler Staff Appreciation Lunch is on **Thursday, April 18th!** Help us celebrate our wonderful Osler Teachers, Principal, Admin, Teaching Aides, Supervision Aides and Engineers with your savoury/sweet foods, drinks and anything families would like to provide.

Please use the linked signup sheet below so we know what to expect. Item dropoff between 9-10am and if you have any containers or cutlery items you need to pick up, please return between 2:30-3:15pm the same day. Both times by the office. If there is no one there in the morning, please leave it on the office desk as we may be going up and down setting up. If you are able to help with setup/clean up, please also use the signup sheet!

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LteFcte6Sl2voCukaRkbFv85U2-rUBvZZZ4Lr\\_2bHeA/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LteFcte6Sl2voCukaRkbFv85U2-rUBvZZZ4Lr_2bHeA/edit?usp=sharing)



SAVE THE DATE for the Osler Spring Fair!

**Friday, May 10th from 4:30-6:30pm**, we are bringing back the Spring Fair for our 2nd year. Expect lots of fun with games, prizes, a DJ, BBQ, Cake Walk and more!

We need volunteers to make sure we can run as many stations as possible for our kids to enjoy. Please consider volunteering your time on the fair day. We are happy to have parents, family members including older siblings help support! Sign up on the form below

<https://forms.gle/tYkULgXwsjLCnUfP8>



## Our Gift Card Fundraiser is Back for Spring!

By purchasing Gift Cards, you can help raise funds while doing your regular shopping. These Gift Cards don't have an expiration date and can be used anytime. They are perfect for Mother's Day, Father's Day, birthdays, and appreciation gifts, as well as your general family shopping and gasoline needs.

When you buy through our program, a portion of the sales goes directly to OPG/PAC where we put that money to good use to enhance our school. It's a win-win – you get to support Osler, and it won't cost you an extra cent!

We encourage you to share this fantastic opportunity with your extended family and friends – the more, the merrier!

To order your Gift Cards:

1. **Print out** and **complete** the attached order form. Be sure to include your child's name, class teacher, preferred pickup method, and your contact information.
2. Make cheques payable to **“Osler Parent Group”** and include your child's name and class teacher in the cheque's notes.
3. Submit **both** pages of the completed form along with the payment to your child's teacher by **Friday, April 12th, 2024.**

Orders will be ready for pickup during the week of April 22nd. We will email you when orders are ready for pick up or if there are any delays.

Thank you in advance for your continued support. If you have any questions or need assistance, please reach out to Dannis at [ilovechocolateoneverything@gmail.com](mailto:ilovechocolateoneverything@gmail.com).

Enjoy your weekend,  
Rosemary Thomas  
Principal at Osler

