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Hamilton

Elementary School

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School Schedule:

8:40 - Warning Bell

8:45 - Classes Begin

10:15 - 10:30 - Recess

11:50 -12:42 - Lunch

2:45 - Dismissal

School / Early Warning #
604-668-6514

Important Dates

April 6th	No School - Easter Monday
April 10th	Class Photo Day
April 10th	Fun Lunch - Chinese Food
April 13th	Immunization Clinic K and some 6/7s
April 15th	Universal Hot Lunch

Monday	March 30th - First Day Back From Spring Break
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	No School - Good Friday

Hello Hamilton Families,
Newsletters in this format will be one of the main sources of communication that you can expect to receive from the Hamilton office this year.

Welcome to Hamilton. We are looking forward to another great year!

1. **For your Information:** the City of Richmond has given us notice that they will be doing some curb and sidewalk work near the intersection of Westminster and Gilley Road from March 23rd until the end of April from 9:00 - 3:00 Mon - Fri. The work will mainly consist of removing damaged sections of existing sidewalk and curb, installation of a new sidewalk and curb and surface restoration work. Wanted to pass along what we know as this may affect your drop off and pick up routes.
2. **Free Universal Hot Lunch:** is an opportunity provided by the School District for all children to receive a free hot lunch at school once a month starting in March. Please see email sent out by Karen Burroughs-Chan for many more details (how to order, ordering due dates, lunch dates etc.) We are looking forward to providing this opportunity. Our next one will take place on April 15th for those who have ordered though Munch a Lunch. Orders are accepted until one week prior to the day.
3. **PAC Events/Reminders:** Please scroll down for exciting PAC activities (Fun Lunch, Fundraisers etc.) Thank you for your ongoing support.
4. **Ministry of Education Student Learning Survey:** is a survey completed by families (at home), staff, and students in grades 4 and 7 (will be done at school). You have the opportunity to fill out this anonymous survey to provide input to the Ministry of Education about the school system. Everyone's feedback is valuable. Click the link below to fill out the survey: **http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sat_survey/access.htm**
5. **Affordability Fund Reminder:** The Student and Family Affordability Fund is still in place if you require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. Please reach out to Mr. Shuto if you could benefit from this fund.

As always, we thank you for your support and look forward to teaching, learning with, and supporting our Hamilton students throughout the school year!

Sincerely, Karen Burroughs-Chan, Trevor Shuto and the Hamilton Staff

Hamilton Highlights!

Throughout the year, in this section, we will highlight some important fun and learning happening at Hamilton so that families can follow along in our journey!

What a way to finish off the week with the Hamilton Talent Show! Thank you to Ms. Bleeker, Ms. C Wong and Ms. Burroughs-Chan for helping organize, coordinate auditions, and support our students to present their talents. We saw a variety of talents from our K - Gr. 7 students including rhythmic gymnastics, dance, soccer, drumming, magic tricks and much, much more. There was even a “synchronized swimming” presentation done by a few of our Hamilton staff members! Some of you have asked what to do over spring break in terms of academics. The best advice is to continue to read with your children. Any kind of text that interests them is great, focusing on asking them to make connections to the text, make inferences, and think critically about what they are reading. As we lead into Spring Break, I hope you are all well and that you will be able to take some time to spend or connect with family and friends. As always thank you for your ongoing support, take care and we will see you back at Hamilton School on March 30th. ~ Trevor Shuto

Hamilton Hawks

We continue to work with our school language / acronym at Hamilton to help build expectations and a culture of care and respect at the school.

HAWKS stands for:

H-Helpful A-Accountable W-Wise K-Kind S-Safe

The students are gaining a good understanding of what this means and how they can demonstrate this in their day to day lives. You can help by discussing the language with your children at home as well. Thank you for your support, it is much appreciated!

School District / Hamilton Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is used at Hamilton and around the District to help remind all of us of the expectations in all School District Buildings as well as when participating in all School District events.

Reconciliation, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Calendar

This is an inclusive calendar, and living document that shares dates of significance, recognition, and celebration for members of the school community. The Multi Faith Society has created a calendar to help highlight dates of significance. Dates for each month will be highlighted here.

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MARCH 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Sugar Moon Zero Discrimination Day (UN) St. David's Day Women's History Month (UK, Australia, USA) Chalandamärz (Switzerland)	2 19-Day Fast begins Eve of Purim 'Alá'	3 Purim Holi Magha Puja (Sangha) Day World Wildlife Day (UN) Hinamatsuri (Japan) Lantern Festival (China, Taiwan) Total Lunar Eclipse Full Moon	4 Hola Mohalla	5	6 World Day of Prayer Independence Day (Ghana)	7
8 International Women's Day (UN) Interfaith Services for Commonwealth Day Daylight Saving Time begins (Canada, USA)	9 Commonwealth Day	10	11	12 Girl Scout Day (USA, Canada) National Day (Mauritius)	13 Birth date of L. Ron Hubbard Jum'at al-Wada	14 Memorial of Shan-tao/Zendo Daishi Sikh New Year's Day
15 Laylat al-Qadr (beginning at sunset to sunset of the next day) International Day to Combat Islamophobia (UN) Mothering Sunday (UK, Europe) Memorial Day (Hungary)	16 Ghambar Hamaspathmaedem begins	17 Festival of Higan-e St. Patrick's Day	18 Global Recycling Day	19 Navvarsha Ramayana Week begins Ugadi (India, Mauritius, Nepal) New Moon	20 Ïd al-Fitr (End of Ramaḍān) 19-Day Fast ends Navroz (Nowruz) Spring Ohigan Ghambar Hamaspathmaedem ends Ostara Shunbun-no-hi March Equinox	21 Naw-Rúz Nowruz (Fasli) Bahá International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (UN) Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling Against Racism and Racial Discrimination (UN) World Down Syndrome Day Harmony Day (Australia)
22 World Water Day (UN) Emancipation Day (Puerto Rico)	23 World Meteorlogical Day (UN)	24	25 Aymbil Oli (First Half) begins Int Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery (UN) Evangelismou (Greece)	26 Birth Anniversary of Prophet Zarathustra Independence Day (Bangladesh)	27 Ramanavami	28 Earth Hour (Intl)
29 Palm Sunday (W) Holy Week begins (W)	30	31 Mahavira Jayanti National Indigenous Languages Day (Canada) Transgender Day of Visibility (TDOV)				

Please see other information, events, and opportunities below!

Hamilton Spirit Days 2026

Friday, February 6

Red and White Day

Wear Red and White to support Team Canada in the Olympics!

Friday, March 6

Crazy Hair and Hat Day

Style your hair in a new, fun, and creative way!

Friday, April 17

Matching Day

Match with your classmates on matching day.
Or wear Hamilton Hawks gear!

Friday, May 22

Beach Day

Wear your beach gear to school: hats, towels, sunglasses, flip flops and more!

Thursday, June 25

Jersey Day

Wear your favourite sport or country jersey to celebrate the Fifa World Cup!

Did you know we fundraise all year round? Support your child(ren)'s education by participating in any of the fundraisers below. Raised funds go towards updating tech, new reading materials, art & music supplies, sports equipment and more! Have questions? email us at **hamiltonsd38pac@gmail.com**.

BOTTLE & CAN DRIVE

Return-it Depot

- Bring your empty bottles and cans to a local depot
- Use the express kiosk to print a sticker tag
- Tag your bag by entering: **604-668-6514**
- Your deposits will be donated!

SHOP & DONATE

FlipGive

- Join our fundraising team with code **KCPJ5J**
- Shop from brands you love
- Each brand donates a percentage back
- Receive a $5 bonus for on your first purchase!

Shop here!

WATERPROOF LABELS

Mabel's Labels

- Customize labels for your child(ren's) items
- Order online, search:
  Hamilton Elementary PAC (Richmond, BC)
- 20% of all purchases are donated

Shop here!

CLEANING THAT CARES

Tru Earth

- A less wasteful and more mindful way to do laundry!
- Shop a variety of products for home or travel
- 30% of all purchases are donated back to PAC

Shop here!

Personal Digital Devices

Personal digital devices should not be used unless permission has been granted. Students are expected to adhere to the Acceptable Use Guidelines and District Code of Conduct.

Read the full policy here: **sd38.bc.ca/devices**