

Hamilton Elementary School - Newsletter

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*We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the **hən'q'əmin'əm** (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.*

April 29th, 2022

- **Hamilton Village Mall Demolition**
- **Eid Mubarak**

Dear Hamilton Families,

It's hard to believe that when we return to school next week it will be May. Hopefully this unusually cool, wet, and unpredictable weather will begin to abate as we move into a new month. May and June are always busy months in an elementary school, and it will be nice to get back to some of our annual traditions. Our intermediate students have been engaged in our Track Attack program where they go out three times a week to practice for our upcoming Zone Track meet on May 25th. Division 7 is off to the Cheakamus Centre near Squamish on May 11th and our grade 7s head to Camp Jubilee for the day on the 19th. June is all about Sports Day, our Grade 7 Farewell celebrations, and year-end class festivities.

Beginning May 9th, developers will begin the demolition process on the old Hamilton Village Mall across Smith Drive from the school. This means as of that date, there will be no further access to the parking lot at the mall. **Parents are encouraged to use the drop off zone at the front of the school.** Dropping students off on Smith Drive may seem convenient for some, but there are serious concerns for safety, as students are then having to cross Smith Drive to access the school. We ask that everyone please strictly adhere to all posted signs around the school and to respect our neighbors when dropping off and picking up their children. The drop off zone in front of the Community Centre is the safest place to drop off and pick up your children, **but we will ALL need to be more patient, arrive a little earlier, and go SLOWLY.** Thank you for caring about the safety of our students.

As the month of **Ramadan comes to an end**, we would like to extend a **Happy Eid Mubarak** to all our Muslim students and families. May your celebrations during this special time bring peace, happiness, and prosperity and of course lots of special foods for everyone! Happy Eid from our school family to yours!

Thank you for your ongoing support!
Mr. McCallum and Mrs. Livingston

Upcoming Important Dates...

May

- 8th Mother's Day
- 13th Concession Stand Fundraiser
- 19th Grade 7s to Camp Jubilee for the day
- 20th Pro-D Day – **Non-instructional Day**
- 26th Welcome to Kindergarten – Time TBD
- 23rd Victoria Day – **School Closed**
- 25th Track Meet at Minoru for grades 4 - 7
- 26th Welcome to Kindergarten 1:00 – 1:45 and 2:00 – 2:45

June

- 10th Sports Day **1:30 dismissal**
- 19th Father's Day
- 24th Grade 7 Grad Day
- 28th Farewell Assembly
- 29th Last day for students
- 30th Administrative Day