

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.

June 29th, 2022

- **Principal's Message**
- **Epipens to Go Home**
- **Notice of Late Return**

Upcoming Important Dates...

June

30th Administrative Day School open, students do not attend

July

4th-7th School Office open 9:00 – 3:00

7th School office closes for the summer 3:00

September

6th First Day Back - Students in (new) Grades 1 – 7 attend **1 hour only 9:00 – 10:00**

New Kindergarteners - Group A 10:15 – 11:00 Group B 1:00 – 1:45

7th First "Full" Day - Students in (new) Grades 1 – 7 attend all day 8:40 – 2:45

New Kindergarteners - Group A 8:45 – 9:45 Group B 10:15 – 11:15

Dear Hamilton Families,

Well, we did it! The end of another challenging, but very productive and engaging year. I hope you have a chance to watch the year-end video put together by Mrs. Livingston. Hats off to her for creating such a wonderful snapshot of our school year! And thank you to all of the parents who helped make our Grade 7 Farewell Day a huge success!



[Hamilton Year End 2022.mp4](#)

I would like to thank you all, parents, staff, and students for, not only the energy you brought this year, but for all the smiles and laughter we had along the way. Watching the year-end slideshow, it reminded me of all we *were* able to accomplish, Terry Fox Run, Pumpkin Patch & Halloween, Book Fair, Remembrance Day, Children's Arts Festival, Christmas & Band Concerts, Volleyball, Basketball, Pink Shirt & Valentine's Day, Popcorn & Freezie Sales, Track Meet, Camp Jubilee, Grade 7 Farewell, Year-end Field Trips, and so much more. And of course, all the amazing teaching and learning along the way. It's been quite a year!

Wishing you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer. Cheers!

Mr. McCallum and Mrs. Livingston

If your child has had an **Epipen at school and you will need it for the summer** please have them take it home on the last day, or parents can pick them up at the school office after the students have been dismissed for the summer.

NOTICE OF LATE RETURN (SEPTEMBER) Please see attached document

Please note that being absent at the start of the school year has the following ramifications for students:

1. Missed valuable instructional time, therefore missed valuable learning opportunities.
2. Missed valuable teacher and administrative explanations of expectations and routines for the course & school.
3. Missed valuable opportunities to make important social connections at the start of a school year.
4. If a student is not returning on or before September 14, 2022, a school cannot reserve a spot guaranteeing the ability to be enrolled in the school. There may be a need for placement at another school upon the students' late return.

In conclusion, the reason for a late return should only be for extremely extenuating circumstances.

In the event of an unforeseen critical family circumstance occurring on or after July 1, 2022 that causes an unexpected late return to the school, the parent must advise the school as soon as possible by email via the school website or by letter directed to the Principal.