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.

January 19th, 2023

- Principal's Message
- JessDance
- Did you Know?
- Pizza Day Friday

Dear Hamilton Families,

What a relief to see the sun come out yesterday after all the inclement weather we have been experiencing. This morning there was a renewed energy at the school, and as the students went out for play times at recess and lunch, the cheers of joy radiated around the playground. It's amazing the impact that sunshine can have on us all. Thank you for continuing to support the various things going on at the school such as helping in the library, with the Fruit & Vegetable Program, Hot Food Days, checking your child's agenda daily, and ensuring they come to school each day on time and prepared. Your involvement is a big key to their success.

Mr. McCallum

Beginning tomorrow and running all next week, the instructors from JessDance will be here to work with our students to develop a dance routine. Our classes are organized into groupings of similar age and every child will have instruction every day over the week. On Friday, January 27th, our students will be able to watch their schoolmates perform during the practice presentation before lunch. And in the afternoon, we are inviting parents to come to our school gym any time after 1:15 to watch the students perform their dance routines starting at 1:30. It's nice to be able to begin to welcome you back. We will also be recording the presentation and putting it online so families can choose to watch it at home.

DID YOU KNOW...our grade 6 & 7 girls had their first basketball game against Woodward this week and our boys play at Woodward today. Go Teams!

Some reminders from our Hamilton PAC

<u>PIZZA LUNCH IS ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th</u> If you can volunteer to help, please click on the link below:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F49A5AE23A5FF2-pizza

Upcoming Dates

January 21 Lincoln Alexander Day

22 Lunar New Year

24 World Day for African and Afrodescendant Culture

26 Vasant Panchami (Hinduism)

27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day

29 National Day of Remembrance of the Quebec City Mosque Attack and Action Against Islamophobia

JessDance Program at Hamilton January 20-27 McNair Parent Information Night January 26 JessDance Student Presentations January 27 at 1:30 Kindergarten Hearing & Dental Screening February 3 Pro-D Day - Students do not attend January 30 Pro-D Day - Students do not attend February 17 **BC Family Day - SCHOOL CLOSED** February 20 **Conferences – 12:00 Dismissal** March 8

Spring Vacation March 13 - March 24

Class Photo Day

Good Friday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Easter Monday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Pro-D Day - Students do not attend

Victoria Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Last Day of Classes

March 30

April 7

April 10

May 19

Victoria Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

May 22

Last Day of Classes

June 29

Administrative Day

June 30 (no students at school)