

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 25th, 2023

- **Vice Principal's Message**
- **JessDance**
- **Kindergarten Registration**
- **Grade 7 info**
- **Did you know?**
- **Message from the PAC**

Dear Hamilton Families,

Hearing the music from the dance program in the hallways and seeing the students practicing their moves has been a joy to see. I think we are all excited and energized to share with the community our new dance moves. We have been fortunate this week to welcome Mrs. Monger to Hamilton while Mr. McCallum is away at a conference. It's hard to believe next week is already February. Thank you for all the hard work from the students, the thoughtful teaching from the staff, and the continued support from families, all of you have made it a wonderful start to our second term and 2023!

Mrs. Burroughs-Chan

Ms. Ueno from **JessDANCE** has had us moving and grooving all week. On **Friday, January 27th** students will be able to watch each other perform during our rehearsal before lunch. Then after lunch we are looking forward to welcoming families to **come to our school gym any time after 1:15 to watch the students perform their dance routines starting at 1:30**. We will also be recording the presentation and emailing the link so families can choose to watch it at home. Each dance group has been asked to try to wear certain colours if they have them, families do not need to purchase anything above or beyond what they already have.

- Div. 1/2 - **White and/or Black**
- Div. 3/4 – **Red and/or Black**
- Div. 5/6 – **Black and/or White**
- Div. 7/8 – **Orange, Pink or Black, red baseball cap if they have it**
- Div. 9/10 – **Red and/or Black**
- Div. 11/12/13 – **Blue and/or Black**
- Div. 14/15/16 – **Blue, Pink and/or Black**

Kindergarten Registration is open for the 2023-2024 school year. If you wish to register your child for next school year you will find all the information in the school district website:

<https://sd38.bc.ca/student-registration/kindergarten-registration>

Grade 7's course planning visit from McNair counsellors happened this week. There will be an Open House at **McNair** and info on the **Mini School Program, Thursday January 26th @ 6:30.** Online applications for the Mini Program are due **Friday, February 3rd @ 5pm.** You can find the application here: <https://mcnair.sd38.bc.ca/mini-school/mini-school-application>

DID YOU KNOW...our school raised **\$530 for the Richmond Food Bank!** That is on top of all the food and toiletry items we collected and donated. Thank you for your support and donations they were so gratefully received.

Some reminders from our Hamilton PAC

There was some unexpected drama during last Friday's Pizza Lunch. Fresh Slice has issued an apology for their late delivery service. There was a medical emergency at their location which caused our pizza delivery to be delayed. THANK YOU to all the volunteers & admin staff who worked as a team to get the pizzas out to the students as soon as the delivery arrived. Fresh Slice has dropped off discount coupons as a goodwill gesture. These will be distributed to all students. Thank you for your support!

Next Fruit & Veggie Distribution is Tuesday, January 31st

Please sign up if you are available to help: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f49a5ae23a5ff2-fruit>

Next Fun Lunch Fundraiser: Burritos and Taco on Monday, February 13th. Stay tuned for more information ...

Upcoming Dates

January 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
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BC Family Day - SCHOOL CLOSED	February 20
Conferences – 12:00 Dismissal	March 8
Spring Vacation	March 13 - March 24
Class Photo Day	March 30
Good Friday - SCHOOL CLOSED	April 7

Easter Monday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Pro-D Day – Students do not attend
Victoria Day - SCHOOL CLOSED
Last Day of Classes
Administrative Day

April 10
May 19
May 22
June 29
June 30 (no students at school)