

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.

February 2nd, 2023

- **Vice Principal's Message**
- **Grade 7 info**
- **Metal Cutlery**
- **Did you know?**
- **Message from the PAC**
- **Community Centre Updates**

Dear Hamilton Families,

What a way to end the month of January with a bit of snow! It was perfect for snow people building which the kids excitedly decorated our back field with. This week we welcomed Ms. Malayeri into Div. 12 and said, "see you soon" and "congratulations" to Ms. McDuff on her next adventure and we hope to see her back at Hamilton TTOCing soon. Our focus this month is kindness. We will be thinking about how we can show kindness to others, the community, and to ourselves and remember that "no act of Kindness, no matter how small is ever wasted." – Aesop

Mrs. Burroughs-Chan

Online applications for the **McNair Mini Program** are due **Friday, February 3rd @ 5pm**. You can find the application here: <https://mcnair.sd38.bc.ca/mini-school/mini-school-application>

We have transitioned into using **metal cutlery** here at school. Students have been doing a great job borrowing from the office, cleaning the utensil, then bringing it back to be used again. This has been great to reduce our plastic waste here at school and helps remind us all to be environmentally conscious. You can help us out by remembering to send cutlery with your child on hot lunch days.

DID YOU KNOW...we have had 7 basketball games this season this far! Both the Grade 6/7 Girls and Boys teams have had lots of success and have been lucky to be so supported by their families and friends during our games. Go Hawks Go!

Some reminders from our Hamilton PAC

HOT LUNCH HAT TRICK:

Monday, Feb 13th- **Burritos & Tacos** (order & payment deadline: Feb 3rd @ 11:59pm)

Friday, March 3rd- **Sushi Lunch** (order & payment deadline: Feb 24th @ 11:59pm)

Friday, March 10th- **Subway Lunch** (order & payment deadline: Mar 3rd @ 11:59pm)

To order: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/hamilton>

***Order all your child(ren)'s lunches before February 3rd at 11:59pm to save on credit card transaction fees

Weekly Wednesday hot lunch: Order deadline is Wednesday at 9pm for the following Wednesday's hot lunch.

To order: <https://got2eatmeals.com/hamilton-hawks>

Next Fruit & Veggie Distribution: Tuesday, February 14th- Snap peas

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

***Thank you Michelle S. and Fatuma A. for washing over 400 apples!!!

Next PAC Meeting: Thursday, February 9th @ 6:30pm. Stay tuned for the meeting link ...

Purdys Chocolates Fundraiser for Easter- more information to follow

Bottles & Cans Drive: ongoing passive fundraiser

Please use the school's phone number **(6046686514)** at the Return It kiosk

COMMUNITY CENTRE UPDATES

Family Day Fun

Sat, Feb 18

Celebrate family day at this event featuring a bouncy castle, balloon animals, arts and crafts, giants board games, snacks and a magic show with Graham the Magic Guy.

10:30 am – 12:30pm

All ages - **Free**

@Hamilton Community Centre

Mon, Feb 20

Family Day - Family Open Gym - Drop-In

9:00am – 12:30pm

All ages - **Free**

@Hamilton Community Centre

Family Day - Badminton - Drop-In

12:45 – 2:45pm

All ages - **Free**

@Hamilton Community Centre

Family Day - Youth Open Gym - Drop-In

3:00 – 5:00pm

13 – 18yrs

Free @Hamilton Community Centre

Family Day - Women's Floor Hockey - Drop-in

5:45 – 7:45pm

18+ years

Free @Hamilton Community Centre

Thank you,

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Upcoming Dates

February	Black History Month
	1 World Hijab Day
	20 Family Day
	22 Pink Shirt Day

Kindergarten Hearing & Dental Screening

Pro-D Day – Students do not attend

BC Family Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Conferences – 12:00 Dismissal

Spring Vacation

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

Administrative Day

February 3

February 17

February 20

March 8

March 13 - March 24

March 30

April 7

April 10

May 19

May 22

June 29

June 30 (no students at school)