

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.

March 2nd, 2023

- **Principal's Message**
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Dear Hamilton Families,

It's so nice to see the sun come out today after yet another winter storm and the ramifications they bring about. I would like to thank everyone in the community for getting through another snowstorm safely. I have noticed a big improvement in the traffic around the school, staff who have shown an amazing ability to get to work coming from all over the metropolis, and our students who conducted themselves responsibly during their break times.

It's an exciting time at the school as we wrap up the second term of the year. The students are gearing up for our Talent Show, Basketball Tournaments, Conferences and completing a variety of projects. Before we know it, Spring Break will be upon us, a time to rest and rejuvenate.

Mr. McCallum

Next week teachers will be hosting our **Term 2 Conferences** at the school. I can't stress enough how important it is for parents to have a chance to come to the school, see the work their children have been doing, and meet with the teacher. It is this connection that parents have to the school and their child's learning that is an important driver in student success.

Please ensure you have scheduled a time to come to the school, and a reminder that **Wednesday, March 8th is a 12:00 dismissal day** so you will need to make arrangements for your child's care in the afternoon.

I would like to officially announce that **Mrs. Livingston's appointment in Learning Services has been extended** after Spring Break until further notice. This means that **Mrs. Burroughs-Chan's appointment as Hamilton Acting Vice Principal and Mr. Mogyorosi's position as Division 3/Resource Teacher have also been extended.**

Congratulations to all three of these amazing educators in their continued roles.

We also have three **Teacher Candidates** with us from both UBC and SFU:

Ms. Hiba Jamal is being mentored by Ms. Foisy in Division 13.

Mr. Derron Siu is being mentored by Ms. Wong in Division 7.

Ms. Ivon Leung is being mentored by Ms. Baatz in Division 16.

Welcome to all these new teachers as they experience their extended practicums at our school.

Monday to Wednesday of next week, Ms. Malin will be hosting the **Scholastic Book Fair** in our school Library. What a great opportunity to both encourage reading in our students and raise money for our library. Thank you in advance to Ms. Malin and the parents who have volunteered to help.

On Friday, March 10th we are all in for a BIG treat. **It's the Hamilton Talent Show!** There have been many students practicing and preparing for this year's event. A BIG thank you to Mrs. Burroughs-Chan for her leadership and hard work in putting the show together. On Friday the students will watch the recorded presentation in their classrooms, and after that, it will be sent out to Hamilton Families to enjoy in your homes. A reminder that this is meant to be watched by the Hamilton Community and NOT meant for distribution anywhere else. We thank you for your discretion and hope you enjoy the show!

Upcoming Dates

March Irish Heritage Month

8 International Women's Day

21 Int. Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

31 Int. Transgender Day of Visibility

Sushi Lunch Day

Scholastic Book Fair

McNair Basketball Tournament

Subway Lunch Day

Conferences – 12:00 Dismissal

Krispy Kreme Sale

Report Cards go online

Spring Vacation

Class Photo Day

Good Friday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Easter Monday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Salema Noon Parent Presentation (Zoom)

Pro-D Day – Students do not attend

Victoria Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Grade 6/7s at Camp Kawkawa

Sports Day

Grade 7 Farewell Day Assembly

Last Day of Classes

Administrative Day

March 3

March 6, 7, 8

March 6 & 7

March 10

March 8

March 8

March 9

March 13 - March 24

March 30

April 7

April 10

May 10

May 19

May 22

May 30 – June 2

June 9

June 23

June 29

June 30 (no students at school)