

## 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.*

April 13th, 2023

- **Principal's Message**
- **Summer Learning Opportunities**
- **PAC Reminders**
- **Important Dates**

Dear Hamilton Families,

April continues to roll along at a hectic pace. This is such a rich month of learning for our students. As you walk around the school there are so many different activities our students are engaged in. One of our biggest events of the year coming up is our May 4<sup>th</sup> Track Meet at Minoru for our grade 4 -7 students. This week we began our "Track Attack" practices where the students rotate through a series of stations enabling them to develop their skills in the various track & field events. Thank you to Mrs. Pattyson and Mrs. Burroughs-Chan for taking the lead and organizing this year's event.

Tomorrow marks a very important time for many South Asian families in our community. Vaisakhi is one of the most important events of the Sikh calendar, a day to celebrate 1699 – the year when Sikhism was born as a collective faith. All the best to those who celebrate Vaisakhi tomorrow!

Mr. McCallum

### **Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Programs**

***Attention Richmond families!*** Did you know that Richmond Continuing Education Summer Learning Program is **FREE** for BC students who are Canadian Citizens, Permanent Residents and students who have Refugee status?

*With an array of exciting and enriching courses and camps to choose from, your child is sure to have a memorable summer. Choose from Elementary Enrichment, Summer Exploration, Summer Fine Arts, Academic Full Credit, Academic Completion, Secondary Enrichment, and Secondary Enrichment Skill Building Courses. We also offer Summer Camps for both elementary and secondary students, with options for ages 6-16. Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow and learn in a fun and engaging way! Keep your child's learning journey going strong this summer and sign up now for Summer Learning 2023.*

*For more information go to our website at [www.RichmondCE.ca](http://www.RichmondCE.ca)*

**PAC Reminders:**

**Pizza Lunch- Grad Fundraiser: April 24th (Monday)**

To order your child's Pizza Lunch, please visit: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/hamilton>

Order & payment deadline is: Friday, April 14th @ 11:59pm

**Weekly Wednesday Hot Lunch:**

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

\*\*\*Order deadline is Wednesday @ 9pm for the following Wednesday lunch

\*\*\*There is a pull down menu option to order up to 4 weeks in advance.

\*\*\*New menu items

**PAC Meeting: April 19th (Wednesday) @ 6:30pm**

Please join us in the school library. We are very excited to be able to meet in-person again! We welcome all parents, guardians and kids to attend. Childcare is available.

\*Come and meet other parents and school admin

\*Get updates on school activities, events and fundraising

\*Ask questions and get answers

\*We are looking for new Executive PAC members to replace our parent volunteers who will be leaving us when their children graduate in June

**We will not receive any government funding if we can not form an Executive PAC Team for September.**

**Fruit & Veggie Distribution:**

Please sign up if you can help with distribution to the

classrooms: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f49a5ae23a5ff2-fruit>

**Neufeld Farms:**

Please visit: <https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2023-hamilton-elementary/ref/em>

Order deadline: April 17th (end of the day)

Pickup: April 26th (Wednesday) @ 6:00-6:15pm

**Ongoing Bottles & Cans Fundraiser:**

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

**Popcorn & Ringpops:**

Coming soon ...

Thank you for your support!

**Upcoming Dates      April is Sikh Heritage Month**

Kindergarten Dental Screening	April 18
Kindergarten Hearing Screening	April 19
PAC Meeting 6:30pm – library	April 19
Hot Lunch Day - Pizza	April 24
Track Meet at Minoru for Grades 4 -7	May 4
Saleema Noon Parent Presentation (Zoom)	May 10
<b>Pro-D Day – Students do not attend</b>	<b>May 19</b>

**Victoria Day - SCHOOL CLOSED**

Welcome to Kindergarten  
Grade 6/7s at Camp Kawkawa  
Sports Day  
Grade 7 Farewell Day Assembly  
Last Day of Classes  
Administrative Day

**May 22**

May 25

May 30 – June 2

June 9

June 23

June 29

June 30 (no students at school)