

Hamilton Elementary School - Newsletter

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We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the [hənq̓əminəm](#)' (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on who's traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

October 10th, 2024

- **Principal's Message**
- **Canucks Day Tomorrow**
- **Traffic Update**
- **PAC Update**
- **Important Dates for 2024-2025**

Dear Hamilton Families,

Have we been lucky with this Autumn weather, or what? We are keeping our fingers crossed that it continues for our grade 7s and our staff going to Camp Sasamat for their Outdoor Education experience next Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. All the preparations are made, and we are hoping for a great time for everyone. Thank you to Mr. Janz, Ms. Malin, Mr. Mogyorosi, Ms. Miao, and Mr. Barker for their commitment to the program. We will be there as well to ensure everyone is safe and having a positive experience. Wish us well!

Mr. McCallum & Ms. Burroughs-Chan

First School Spirit Day Tomorrow

Many of our students have been asking about School Spirit Days this year so we thought we would start with an easy one for parents. We have decided to have a Canucks Day at the school tomorrow. If your child has an existing Canucks t-shirt, hat, scarf or jersey, they can wear it to school. But no need to go out and purchase anything. Students are encouraged to wear green and blue (Canucks colours) to show their support.

Traffic Update

I was able to meet with a representative from the City of Richmond this week to discuss traffic issues around the school and ways we could improve safety for people, especially walking to and from the school. The corner of Smith & Gilley was of course a big part of our discussion, and he was able to suggest ways they could improve signage and crosswalk lines at the intersection. He also approved the creation of more sidewalks on the westside of the school adjacent to Smith Drive. These things will help, but it is the due diligence we ALL must bring to improve safety around the school including driving slowly, respecting traffic and parking regulations, and always paying attention to pedestrians and other vehicles.

Thank you for your continued support of safety around our school.

PAC REMINDERS:

Krispy Kreme Donut Sale- Grade 7 Grad fundraiser

Date: October 11th (Friday)

Time: 2:45pm (afterschool)

Place: School's main entrance

Price: \$2 for 1 donut

Holiday Photo Mini Session: Nov 2-30

Please visit: [xmas.kuna photography.com](https://xmas.kuna.photography.com)

Early bird deadline: Oct 25th

PAC Fundraiser: \$10 from the session fee will go towards supporting education at Hamilton

Fun Lunch Fridays:

>To order lunch, please visit: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/hamilton>

>>>Deadline to order for Bundle 2: November 8th @ 11:59pm (don't miss out on ordering pizza for your child's lunch)

*****If your child is away on a Fun Lunch day, please email: HamiltonFunLunch@gmail.com**

Still looking for a PAC chair for the next school year.

>If you want to know more about what is involved in being a PAC executive, please check out the PAC 101 Workshop on November 5th @ 6:30pm at Burnett Secondary (pizza dinner is included)

To RSVP (before Oct 25th): <https://forms.gle/yQBmUBKgm6LFb32y8>

Thank you for your support.

Important Dates 2024/2025

***Note: Events Dates in bold indicate changes to the school day or regular hours of 8:45 – 2:45**

***Thanksgiving - Statutory Holiday**

Grade 7s at Camp Sasamat

***Conferences 1:45 Dismissal days**

***Pro-D Day – Students do not attend**

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Remembrance Day Assembly 10:30

***Remembrance Day - Statutory Holiday**

***Pro-D Day – Students do not attend**

Winter Concert - times TBD

Last day before Winter Break

First day back after Winter Break

***Pro-D Day – Students do not attend**

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***Family Day - Statutory Holiday**

Monday, Oct. 14

Tuesday, Oct. 15-17

Wed/Thur, Oct 23 & 24

Friday, Oct. 25

Monday, Oct. 28

Friday, Nov. 8

Monday, Nov. 11

Monday, Nov. 25

Wednesday, Dec. 18

Friday, Dec. 20

Monday, Jan. 6

Monday, Jan. 27

Friday, Feb. 14

Monday, Feb. 17

***Conferences 11:50 Dismissal**

Last day before Spring Break

First day back after Spring Break

Immunizations

***Good Friday- Statutory Holiday**

***Easter Monday - Statutory Holiday**

***Pro-D Day – Students do not attend**

***Victoria Day- Statutory Holiday**

***Sports Day – 1:30 Dismissal**

Grade 7 Day

Last Day Students Attend – 2:45 Dismissal

Admin Day - – **Students do not attend**

Wednesday, Feb. 26

Friday, Mar. 14

Monday, Mar. 31

Friday, Apr. 4

Friday, Apr. 18

Monday, Apr. 21

Friday, May 16

Monday, May 19

Friday, Jun. 13

Friday, Jun 20

Thursday, Jun. 26

Friday, Jun. 27