

## Hamilton Elementary School - Newsletter

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

February 28th, 2025

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### **Dear Hamilton Families,**

Next week at Hamilton we are in for a special treat. The people from Illuma Dance will be here to instruct our students in Musical Theatre. Every student will have 4 blocks of instruction time culminating in a performance on Friday afternoon. We will be recording the performances so families will be able to watch their children at home next weekend. **Unfortunately, due to the capacity of our gym, the space needed for the performers, and our students and staff audience, we are not able to invite parents to watch the Friday performance in person.** There just isn't enough space in the gym and that would become a real safety issue. So, respectfully, **we ask that you wait to watch the performance at home next weekend with your family.** Thank you for your understanding in this regard and thank you to the Hamilton PAC for their support.

We would also like to thank all the parents who attended conferences this past week with their child's teacher. These opportunities to share the learning going on at Hamilton are so important for a child's confidence and overall academic development.

Mr. McCallum & Ms. Burroughs-Chan

### **A Parent's Guide: Emergency Preparedness - Please see the attachment**

The Richmond Board of Education has as its highest priority the safety of students and staff and upholds the duty of care that is expected from our school community. The district is responsible for ensuring that emergency management protocols are established, practiced and activated as required by provincial legislation and regulations. Schools are places where emergency management protocols are critically important to the well-being of students and staff and to the confidence that parents and guardians have in entrusting their children to our care.

**PAC Reminders:** Join our PAC FB page for up to date reminders: **Hamilton Elementary PAC (Parent Advisory Council)**

**PAC Meeting:**

**Date:** March 5th (Wednesday)

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Place:** School Library (childcare will be available)

\*Come join us to decide the future of our PAC

**Grad Meeting:**

**Date:** March 5th (after the PAC Meeting)

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Place:** School Library

**Krispy Kreme Donut Sale:** Grad Fundraiser

**Date:** March 7th (Friday)

**Time:** Afterschool at 2:45pm

**Place:** Front entrance of the school

\*\*\* Pre-orders are available (\$20/doz). Please contact

Belle: [donabelle\\_g@hotmail.com](mailto:donabelle_g@hotmail.com) or text: (604) 258-0018

>Pre-order deadline: March 1st

**Silent Auction:** Online bidding is now open

Please visit: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-elementary-pac-silent/home>

Bidding will close on March 14th @ 11:59pm Thank you for your support.

**Important Dates**

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

Professor Wow performance 1:00pm	Friday, Feb. 28
Illuma Studio - Musical Theatre Program	Mar. 3 – 7
Krispy Kreme Grade 7 Fundraiser 2:45	Friday, Mar. 7
Last day before Spring Break	Friday, Mar. 14
First day back after Spring Break	Monday, Mar. 31
Immunizations	Friday, Apr. 4
Class Photo Day	Thursday, April 10
<b>*Good Friday- Statutory Holiday</b>	<b>Friday, Apr. 18</b>
<b>*Easter Monday - Statutory Holiday</b>	<b>Monday, Apr. 21</b>
Second Term Learning Updates available online	Tuesday, Apr. 29
Hula Hoop Circus 1:00pm	Friday, May 2
<b>*Pro-D Day – Students do not attend</b>	<b>Friday, May 16</b>
<b>*Victoria Day- Statutory Holiday</b>	<b>Monday, May 19</b>
<b>*Sports Day – 1:30 Dismissal</b>	<b>Friday, Jun. 13</b>
Grade 7 Day	Friday, Jun 20
Final Term Learning Summaries available online	Thursday, Jun. 26
Last Day Students Attend – 2:45 Dismissal	Thursday, Jun. 26
Admin Day - – <b>Students do not attend</b>	Friday, Jun. 27