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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

Dear Allan A. Greenleaf families,

Thank you for a fantastic start to the school year! There is already so much to celebrate.

Congratulations to all of our students who participated on our school's baseball teams, running club and cross country team who demonstrated outstanding dedication and sportsmanship.

Congratulations to the cast of ELF JR., who has begun rehearsing and preparing for the musical in December.

Thank you to the coaches and teacher advisors who have made these rich experiences possible for our students: Ms. Robinson, Ms. Crechiola, Ms. Marion, Mr. Straatsma, Mr. Barringer, Ms. Tilton, Mme. Di Pelino, Mr. Dumont, Mme. Griffin, Ms. Steinberg and Ms. Wijayasingha.

Congratulations to our entire community for their commitment to demonstrating the virtue of respect this past month.

Thank you to all students, staff and community members for your support and flexibility through the re-organization process. As a result of this process, we sadly have to say farewell to Ms. Buttenham. Although it is hard to say good-bye, we are pleased to announce that Ms. Buttenham has been expanded to a full-time teaching position at Spencer Valley.

Thank you so much to Ms. Buttenham for welcoming, teaching and supporting our students for the first stretch of the school year. We wish you all the best!

We are welcoming a number of new staff members to our school team:

Mr. A. Hampel- Primary Ms. M. Palios- Primary Ms. I. Stanisavljevic- Class 6B

Please join us in welcoming these new staff members to our school community.

These changes will take effect as of Monday November 5th 2018.

As we continue to work together as a school community, we want to provide clarity regarding the process for addressing concerns that may arise. We ask that any classroom concerns are addressed first with the classroom teacher. If there is a school-wide concern, we ask that you please contact the office to arrange an appointment to meet with administration. For more information regarding the process for addressing concerns, we have attached the "Addressing Concerns @ HWDSB" document. We appreciate your support problem-solving together.

Thank you again for a great start to the school year. Ms. S. Fox & Ms. L. Snell

HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES

School Council is planning a fun filled day for all students on Tuesday, Oct. 31st . All students will be participating in a Dance "Funraiser". More details to follow closer to the date!



All students are welcome to come to school in their costumes, but are also welcome to put it on during one of the nutrition breaks. If putting it on at school, please ensure that it is something that can be done independently. Classroom teachers may send their own information home regarding their individual classroom festivities and expectations.

Our annual Halloween Parade begins after morning announcements. Children in K to Gr. 4 classes will participate in the parade on the playground weather permitting. If it rains, feel free to join us in the gym.

On this day options are:

- wear orange and black
- dress in a costume
- wear your everyday clothes

If students wish to wear a costume here is a list of Do's and Don'ts

Costume Do's -appropriate for school

 use makeup or face paint -check that your costume is safe (i.e. not too long) be creative -have fun Costume Don'ts -no masks that impede vision -no weapons -no violent references HWDSE

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DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1-Virtues Assembly October 3-Gr. 7 Vaccinations October 4-AAG Celebrates October 8-Thanksgiving Day-No School October 11-Gr. 3-8 Cross Country October 17-Buster Bus Presentation October 19-Picture Day October 30-Progress Reports Sent Home October 31-Halloween



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thank you to all parents who attended our first School Council meeting. We are pleased to welcome a number of new members and look forward to their new ideas and commitment to our school community. School Council members this year are listed below as well as meeting dates. Please keep in mind that all parents are welcome to attend meetings if they choose. However, only the names listed below can vote.

School Council Members

Alyson Johnson/David Penton-Co-Chairs Tracey Hood-Treasurer Rebecca Hessels/Tim Louks-Co-Secretaries Christine DiPelino/Tracey Robinson-Teaching Rep Terry Posavad-Non-Teaching Rep **Cheryl Brown** Helen Blevins Jessica Vanderwal Kaitlin Bedford Karen Des Roches Karen Sparkes Marissa Taylor Staci Todd Tobi Graves-Hofer Tracy Segal Yeliz Halil

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Meeting Dates

November 15 January 17 April 25 May 23

All meetings are at

6:30pm in the library.



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JR. GIRLS 3-PITCH

Mrs. Robinson and Miss Crechiola want to congratulate the Junior Girl's 3 Pitch team for their amazing progress and sportsmanship. They were amazing representatives of A.A.G! We were so impressed with their new skills and sense of fair play! They were successful in



and sense of fair play! They were successful in beating both Spencer Valley and C.H. Bray! Way to go girls!!!!!

A huge thank you to our parent helpers, Mr. Ng and Mrs. Hood and to our lovely fans.

THE LUNCH LADY

October is our favourite month of the year with our kid favourite event, **Spooky Hot Lunch!** This *frightfully delicious* menu is sure to make lunch even more fun (with healthy options!) for Students, Staff and Parents (who get to enjoy a break from making lunches).

The Spooky Hot Lunch menu will be offered <u>alongside the requ</u> <u>lar menu</u> on your Lunch Lady Day(s) from **October 25 – October 31.** As always, there is no additional work for you!

Don't forget, Fun Lunches are a great way to boost your **fundraising** earned over the year with every meal ordered from The Lunch Lady!



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SAFE WELCOME PROGRAM

As you may know, HWDSB has a Safe Welcome Program. The program supports a welcoming learning environment by ensuring that parents and other authorized visitors can access elementary schools while keeping students and staff safe. Exterior school doors will be locked during the instructional day, and visitors will access the school during school hours via the main entrance. You will notice that our main entrance is equipped with a video/intercom access system and signage. The access system allows staff to see and talk with any visitors requesting entry into the school. The system also allows school office staff to electronically release the lock on the door. Visitors are asked to report to the office for sign-in. Here are some points keep in mind:

- Visitors' include parents, community members, service personnel and HWDSB staff.
- Visitors will respect and follow the Safe Welcome Protocol.
- Visitors will access the school via the main entrance of the school.
- Visitors will report to the main office upon entry to the school to sign in and receive a visitor pass, if required.

When a child is being picked up, office staff may ask for identification.

Thank you for supporting our continued emphasis on student safety.

VOLUNTEERING AT GREENLEAF

We welcome and value all volunteers in our school. A mandatory Vulnerable Sector Screening with Hamilton Police Services every 3 years is re-



quired for all volunteers. Even if you want to volunteer on occasion to attend a trip or drive students to a game, a police check is required. An offence declaration must be signed within the 3 years of the police check. Declarations can be found on Ms. Posavad's desk. Please sign and return to her when you are in the school.

KERNELS POPCORN

Kernels Popcorn is back! WHEN: Thursday's, second break, during the eating part of break

COST: \$2.25 (note new price)

Profits will go towards purchasing gym equipment as well as helping out with various sport trips.



VACATIONS & EXTENDED ABSENCES



The education of children is a right that we value and hold in high regard. When students are absent from school for extended periods of time, they miss large components of the curriculum taught and it becomes difficult for them to catch up as concepts that are taught build upon previous lessons.

Please note that we do not endorse extended student absences for the purpose of family vacations. We do however respect that you may choose to withdraw your child from school for the purposes of a family vacation. A program of study will not be provided by the school and not all areas of the curriculum may be able to be assessed and reflected on the provincial report card. Please note your child will be removed from the school register after 15 consecutive days of absence. You will be required to reregister your child at the school office upon your return.

"VIRTUE OF THE MONTH: COURTESY

You are practicing **COURTESY** by remembering your manners. Speak politely. Wait your turn. Instead of interrupting someone, say "Excuse me", and then wait patiently for them to give you their attention. Greet people



pleasantly. When you are courteous, you make requests instead of demands. Bring courtesy home. Your family needs it most of all. Courtesy helps life to go smoothly.

I am courteous., I speak and act in a polite way. I show others that I value and respect them.

FROZEN YOGURT

TCBY FRO YO is back! WHEN: Fridays, second break, during the eating part of break



COST: \$2.25 (note new price) BRING: your own spoon (to reduce plastic waste)



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September 2018

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are happy to share that Lunchbox Orders will be offered at Allan A. Greenleaf Elementary School this year.

Not familiar with Lunchbox Orders? Lunchbox Orders is a convenient, online ordering platform featuring local restaurants. An ordering calendar has been coordinated for the school community at <u>www.lunchboxorders.com</u>.

All orders are submitted on the website and payment is processed on-line by Visa, MasterCard, Discover, Debit MasterCard or Visa Debit. Visa and MasterCard prepaid cards are also accepted on the website.

The lunch calendar is NOW open and delivery is scheduled to begin WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10.

The lunch program features the following options:

Delivery Day	Featured Restaurant	DTA	
Wednesday	Subway		
Thursday	Pita Pit		

How to Order:

- 1. Go online at www.lunchboxorders.com and click "ORDER LUNCH".
- 2. New to Lunchbox Orders? Click "Create an Account" to register your family's account.
- 3. Already registered? Please login directly with your current user name (e-mail address) and password.
- 4. Add your child to your account by clicking "add a student" and register your child with their new teacher and grade for the current school year.
- 5. Click "Order Now" (beside your child's name) to view the school's ordering calendar.
- 6. Proceed with ordering your child's lunch by clicking on the blue box for each restaurant featured.

The Benefits:

- 1. With every meal purchased, a contribution will be made to the school's fundraising program.
- 2. Lunchbox Orders is paperless and cashless. Ordering online is fast and easy!
- 3. All menu items featured are compliant with the Ontario Ministry of Education's Food and Beverage Policy.
- 4. Orders may be placed weekly or in advance, for the full length of the program.

Dates to Remember:

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- Lunch delivery is scheduled to begin WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2018.
- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7TH at NOON (12pm) is the ordering deadline for the first scheduled delivery.
- All orders, updates and cancellations must be submitted by Sunday at noon for the following week.
- Please note, new orders will not be accepted after the Sunday deadline.

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If you have any questions, please contact the Lunchbox Orders customer service team at **1.877.426.6860** or by e-mail at **info@lunchboxorders.com**.

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