



Bennetto
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JANUARY NEWSLETTER

A School where everybody belongs!

A Message from the Office

Welcome back and happy New Year to everyone in the Bennetto community. The staff and I hope you had a spend some quality time was a busy month for all of classroom celebrations, a included singing festive tunes along with individual class parties and the Grade 6-8 Dance.

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relaxing break and were able to with family and friends. December us. We finished the school year with school-wide holiday celebration that

We are really excited to welcome Mrs. L. MacNab to our school community as Vice Principal. Mrs. MacNab comes to us with a great deal of knowledge and experience supporting all learners.

OUTDOOR RECESS IN COLD WEATHER



On cold days, we monitor the weather prior to each outdoor break. Depending on the conditions, we determine if an outdoor, indoor or shortened recess is suitable. The City of Hamilton's Public Health and Community Services Department recommends individuals stay indoors when the temperature drops below minus 15 degrees Celsius without wind chill. We will follow the Public Health recommendation and assure that the students are kept inside on these days. On other cold days, staff and administration on outdoor supervision monitor the students and the conditions to make the decision to shorten outdoor time if necessary. Teachers will help to remind students to wear all their outdoor accessories (hat, scarf, gloves, snowpants etc).

Bennetto School: 905-528-6341

Comic Book Art Tour

On January 25th, all students in Grades 2-5 will be participating in a comic book workshop at the school. Students will learn to draw characters along with professional artist, Anthony Stanberry.

Be sure to ask your child about this outstanding and exciting opportunity!



Photography

Dr. Lindsey George from the Family Health Team on James N has begun working with all students in grades 7 and 8 to develop skills in photography. She was in last week and is due back in early March. In the meantime, students will be given opportunities to practice these skills using a number of school cameras.

Olympics

The Olympics are coming soon and at Bennetto we will be holding a number of events throughout February to join athletes from around the world and to cheer on our Canadian participants. Stay tuned for specific dates and details. Plans to date include a Bennetto winter play day, a variety of classroom and school events as well as medal counts for classroom select countries.



Key Information:

Running Shoes: With the cold weather upon us we are reminding you of the importance of having your student bring running shoes with them to each Phys Ed class. We want to make sure the students can have fun and be active in each class while also making sure they have safe and proper footwear. It is recommended that students leave a pair of running shoes in their locker to ensure they have them for gym as well as inside the classroom instead of boots.



Sr. Boys and Girls Basketball: The Sr. basketball season is upon us and our coaches Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Van der Vinne, Mr. Hawkins, and Mr. Hewitt are looking forward to a fun and exciting season. Due to our limited gym space, we are requesting that only family members of the team come as spectators and they must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Shopping for School Lunches: When shopping for lunches, consider choosing foods from all 4 food groups. This can help your child be ready to learn at school. Below are some tips to help guide your decisions:

- ◆ Shop the outer aisles at the grocery store
- ◆ Enjoy plenty of vegetables and fruit
- ◆ Make at least half your grain products whole grain
- ◆ Choose lower fat milk and alternatives (1% or 2%)
- ◆ Select lean meat and alternatives
- ◆ Limit food and beverage choices that are less healthy

Eva Rothwell Centre

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

DROP IN PROGRAMS

Monday to Friday

3:00-6:00pm

5-18 years

No Charge, Free

Activities: Games room, Creative Crafts, After school Snack,
Be Active in the Gym, Music, Computers, Literacy Express Train, Breakfast program, and much more...

Registration: Sign up for free

P.A. CAMP – Begin the Adventure and Learning...

Various days in January to June 2018

Public and Catholic School Boards

Grades 1 to 8

9:00-4:00pm /\$5.00/per Child/per PA DAY

Early and Late drop off/pick up Available for an
additional \$5.00/child/week - (8:00-5:30pm)

Register today, Limited Spaces

Visit our website for Registration Forms – www.evarothwell.ca or pick up the forms
at the Centre

Bug Busters

The City of Hamilton, Public Health Department will be running clinics to screen and offer parents to help and assistance in treating head lice.

Clinics are every Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00pm at the Eva Rothwell Centre.