



### A Message from the Principals:

We would like to first send out a huge thanks you to the Guy Brown community in Waterdown who donated bags of winter coats, snow pants and winter boots. Many of our students were able to take advantage of this opportunity. It was great to see many of our parents/caregivers coming in to meet with our educators, the connection between school and home is one of the biggest factors of student's success at school.

Grade 8 Parent information nights, please check the board's website for specific dates and times:

<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/elementary/plan-for-school/grade-7-8-information-nights/>

Our Volleyball teams have been doing great and we wish them good luck as they continue their season, and a special thanks to our coaches and the staff who have been helping with driving.

If you have given your child permission to leave the school during break time, please note that student may only leave during the second break.

Just a reminder that school starts at 8:10 so please ensure your child(ren) is/are arriving on time.

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### **Trips**

Please note that forms for trips will not be accepted after the due date as supervision ratios need to be determined prior to the trip. Therefore no trip forms will be accepted on the day of the trip. Thank you for your cooperation

### **Wever School Council**

We had our first School Council meeting in September and voted in Co-Chairs for the 2017-2018 school year. I am pleased to announce that the co-chairs of Cathy Wever's School Council are:

Michelle Wood

Louise Noel

We are welcoming new members and all parents /guardians are welcome to attend any meeting. Here are the tentative dates for upcoming meetings (all meetings will begin at 1:45 at Cathy Wever):

Monday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45

Monday, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45

Monday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 1:45

Monday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45

Monday, March 26<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45

Monday, Apr. 30<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45

Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> @ 1:45

\*\* Please note these are tentative dates that are subject to change, please check the school's web site for further information.

### **Fundraising**

Popcorn Sales – Popcorn sales will continue again this year during first break on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Profits will be used to support Cathy Wever's music program.

### **School Safety – Office Check-In**

Just a reminder that all caregivers must check in at the office when entering the school. Please do not enter the school to drop off your child or to pick up your child without checking in at the office.

Thank you in keeping all of our students safe at Cathy Wever.

### **We are a Nut Sensitive School**

Parent and/or students are asked to carefully read labels of all food items that are brought to school to ensure that they **have no traces of nuts or nut products**. Many products now carry a clearly marked “Nut Free” logo.

### **Anaphylactic Management Plan**

If you have not completed the appropriate paper work to ensure the safe administration of epinephrine please pick up a form from your child’s teacher or the office. Once your Dr. has completed this form your son/daughter’s Anaphylactic Management Plan will be completed. **These plans must be updated each school year.**

### **Medication**

All students who require medication to be administered at school must have the appropriate medical form completed by their Dr. Forms are available at the office.

### **Parking Lot**

Just a reminder to all parents, if you are dropping your child off at school we ask that you do not park in the parking lot or stop in the emergency stopping zone. All students should be picked up and dropped off on the playground where students are supervised with staff members. Thank you for your continued support.

### **Supervision and Entry**

Supervision begins at 7:55 AM and ends at 2:45 PM at the end of the day. Students must enter and exit through their assigned doors, all students exit to the playground area unless they are bus students who will exit through the front doors. Parents/guardians are to meet their child(ren) on the playground, we have a lot of students on the playground at the end of the day, making a meeting spot is important.

### **Attendance**

Regular attendance and punctuality are very important habits and routines for all students. There is a direct correlation between regular school attendance, positive work habits and enhanced student achievement. Consistent with the Safe Arrival Check Policy of the HWDSB, it is the parent’s responsibility to inform the school when a child is going to be late or absent. Please call and leave a message at any time (905-522-9965) with your child’s name, teacher, grade and the reason for their absence.

### **After School Program**

Check out the new afterschool program being offered at our nearby recreation centre!

There are only 20 spots available, so don’t delay and register today!

Where: Norman Pinky Lewis

Days: Monday to Friday

Time: 2:15-5:00pm

Ages: 6-12 years

Cost: Free (must register)

Activities: Swimming, Sports, Crafts, Computers, Cooking, Homework Help, Games

Contact: Call 905-546-3122 or email [zina.krawiec@hamilton.ca](mailto:zina.krawiec@hamilton.ca)

### **Personal Belongings and Electronic Devices/Cell Phones**

Students are permitted to bring devices to school however students will be asked to turn off their personal devices. The school cannot be held responsible for any theft or loss of personal devices or items. Please note students are not permitted to take pictures or videos at school.

### **Agendas**

All students in grades 1-8 will receive a Cathy Wever Agenda. This is a great tool to help keep the communication between home and school open. Agendas should be taken home and returned to school every day. Included in the start of the agenda are a number of important pieces of information. Please take a few minutes to review these pages with your child(ren). Cost for agendas are \$3.00, please send this to your child's teacher.

### **Picking Up Prior to Dismissal**

If you are picking up your child prior to dismissal parents/guardians must come in to the office to sign out their child. Once you arrive your child will be called out of class. If someone other than a parent/guardian is picking up your child they must be listed on the school records as an emergency pick up, and identification is required.

### **Calling the School**

Messages can be left for staff members and messages for the office, please note that messages for students can only be shared in emergency situations. Please make prior arrangements with your child(ren). Phone calls cannot be put through to classrooms during instructional time.

### **Volunteers**

All volunteers working within the school including attending trips must have a Vulnerable Screening Check and complete the Volunteer Orientation and appropriate forms. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the school office. If you are planning on volunteering at the school or on a trip please ensure this is completed as soon as possible as a Vulnerable Screening can take up to 6-8 weeks.

### **Bell Times 2017-2018**

Cathy Wever's bell times have changed for the 2017/18 school year

Start time: 8:10 AM

End time: 2:30 PM

\*\*please note that supervision on the playground begins at 7:55 am until the entry bell and ends at 2:45 pm after dismissal.

### **Breaks**

9:50 – First Break

12:10 – Second Break

Please note that students may not leave the school property unless parents have provided a note to their classroom teacher, with the date and parent signature. **Student may only leave during the 2<sup>nd</sup> break with parent permission.**

### **Bussing**

If you have a question if a bus is running late please contact the transportation department, please refer to your child's route number and school.

HWDSB Transportation Department:905-523-2318

**Upcoming Dates for 2017-2018** <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/elementary/plan-for-school/calendar/>

Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup> – Photo Retakes Dec. 1 <sup>st</sup> – PA Day – no classes Dec. 25 <sup>th</sup> – Jan. 5 <sup>th</sup> – Holiday Break Jan. 8 <sup>th</sup> – Classes Resume Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup> – PA day – no classes Feb 5 <sup>th</sup> – FDK Registration Begins (2018/19) Feb 13 <sup>th</sup> – Report Card 1 send home Feb. 19 <sup>th</sup> – Family Day – no school March 2 <sup>nd</sup> – PA Day – no school March 12-16 <sup>th</sup> – March Break	March 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Holiday – no school April 23/24 <sup>th</sup> - Immunization Day G7s May 7 <sup>th</sup> – Open House May 21 <sup>st</sup> – Holiday – no school June 8 <sup>th</sup> – PA Day – no school June 21 <sup>st</sup> – G8 Grad June 25 <sup>th</sup> – Report Card 2 sent home June 28 <sup>th</sup> – Last day of Classes June 29 <sup>th</sup> – PA day
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Please see Cathy Wever’s Web site <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/cathywever/> for additional dates throughout the school year.

**Nutrition Policy Non-Compliance Days for 2017-2018**

Nutrition Free Event	Date
Rotary Christmas Dinner	December 14, 2017
December Holiday Party	December 22, 2017
Valentine’s Day	February 14, 2018
Easter	March 29, 2018
Pink Day	April 11, 2018
Year End Celebrations	June 28, 2018
PLEASE NOTE ADDITIONAL DAYS WILL BE ADDED	

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<b>Spirit Days</b>	
Nov 30	Jersey Day
Dec 22	Red and Green Day
Jan 31	Pajama Day
Feb 14	Bling Day
Mar 9	Green Day (St Pats)
Apr 11	Pink Day
Apr 30	Wacky Hair Day
May 31	Super Hero Day
June 28	Crazy Socks

## Staff 2017-2018

Grade	Staff 2017-2018		Ext	Rm
JSA(A)	A. Mussner/T. Kukulj		109	128
JSB(B)	L. Draper/T. Slade		112	121
JSC(C)	K. Vidler /P.Sparks		113	120
JSD(D)	A. Maclachlan/S. Breckon		108	129
JSE(E)	C.Schinkel/A.Mina		111	122
JSE(F)	J.Dingwell/S.Gould		114	119
1A	L.Steeves		106	131
1B	L.Lisco		105	132
1C	A.Parker		104	137
12A	M.Bellavia		107	130
2A	C.Jaggard		209	235
2B	J.Delle Monache		208	236A
23A	M.Siltamaki		210	233
23B	S.Rasmussen		103	138A
3A	E.Wilson		207	236B
34A	A.Skinner		203	250A
34B	P.Shahid		206	237
4A	M.Cecilioni		205	239
4B	S.Sirkett		204	249
45A	T. Brujic		202	251
5A	D.Pantitis		201	253
5B	C.Wilson		220	204
56A	K.Owen		219	208
6A	M.Fong		222	202
6B	C. Barker		218	209A
6C	L.Robinson		221	203A
7A	M.Cantwell		215	215
7B	K.Kelly		217	210
7C	S.Parker		216	214
78A	J.Urbaneck		213	224
8A	P.Zadvorny		212	226A
8B	J. Nijse(0.8), L.Williams (0.2)		211	228
68	C.Fazzari		102	139
HPE/Dance	K.Grace & C. Foreman		115	123
Music	N.Minotti		214	216
French	E.Hall, M.Nazi, T.Munisteri		161	243
Lib/Media	C.Carrothers		116	103
LRT	J.Swanton (Day 3)		223	206
LRT (K-2)	M.Tansley		223	206
LRT (3-5)	D.Wallace		223	206
LRT (6-8)	K.McCambridge		223	206
ESL	B.Woods			
ESL	T.Opie (Day 1,3,5) (0.6)			
ESL	D. Del Conte			
ESL	D. Martin			
ESL	M. Wiseman (0.5)			
Educational Assistants	C. Owens R. Szocek M. Colvin A. Rivers	C. Day L. Roussell S. Brillinger L. Gardner	V. Raposo G. Piazza E. Coffee	A. Morrison J. Cotton T. Cowan-Johnson
Reading Spec.	J. Burlanette			
Office Admin	S. Langille, L. Milmine, J. Gates			Office
Vice-Principal	J. Ngan			Office
Principal	S. Johnston			Office