



Principal Weekly Apr 13rd , 2017



I hope all families are looking forward to having a long weekend together. While some rain is in the forecast, hopefully there will be a chance to enjoy some spring weather.

Our School Council will be having the next meeting on Tuesday, April 25th at 7pm. We looking forward to seeing any interested parents.

We also wanted to make sure that all families come out to our Open House day on Tuesday May 2nd from 5-7pm. It will be a fantastic opportunity to formally show case the Dalewood building post renovation. We still have people coming to the school and amazed to see the renewed building. Our staff and students are also planning on showcasing many of the fantastic activities happening in the school. Dalewood truly is a school full of opportunity. Please feel free to invite neighbours who may be former families and alumni. There will also be food trucks on site for families to have dinner on site.

Take care,

Simon Goodacre
Principal

Parents can always contact me if you have any questions, email is an excellent way to reach me sgoodacr@hwdsb.on.ca you can also follow me on Twitter @sgoodacreHWDSB

Activities Around Dalewood

Remember there is no school on Friday Apr 14th or Monday Apr 17th

Mama Mia – Unfortunately Mama Mia conflicts with the recently announced Orienteering tournament. We have rebooked the date to Wed May 3rd. A separate letter has gone home with students who have signed up for the trip.

Open House –The Dalewood Open House will be on Tuesday May 2nd from 5-7pm. Come and celebrate the renewed Dalewood building. There will be food trucks, so plan on coming for dinner and not having dishes to do that night. Come see some of the amazing activities that are currently happening along with a celebration o the history of the building.

Student Council – Our Student Council is planning some upcoming events: an activity day as a fundraiser, a spring dance, and a multicultural day. Information will be provided over the announcements and through presentations to individual classes.

EQAO Administration Dates – Thurs May 25- Fri June 2 The administration dates for the EQAO test for grade 6 students. Please avoid having appointments and absences booked during this time.

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Ancaster High Duathlon – Dalewood students have been active participants in the Ancaster High Tri-a-Tri event in past years. Due to some renovations at the Ancaster Community Centre, some adjustments have been made to the event [hopefully] for this year only. The event is a Duathlon only and the date has been pushed back a little later than normal. Unfortunately the event is during the EQAO timelines; as such, it will only be available to students in grade 7 and 8.

iCubed presentations - i-Cubed – Investigate! Invent! Innovate!. (Students identify problems in their daily lives and invent products or processes to solve those problems based on concepts they learn in class.) This is a board focus similar to Chase the Future 2041. <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/chasethefuture2041/> Various classes at Dalewood are working on these projects and will have a presentation on **April 24th 12:30pm-1:30pm**

Cricket – Dalewood is happy to be starting a cricket club. Please see Mr. Savelli for details

Athletic Time Frames – Announcements and meeting regarding permission forms and tryouts are usually held approximately a week before activities. Students should listen to announcements for information.

Orienteering team – May 26th
Golf team starts early May.
Track and field starts early May.
Soccer - May 23rd

For a calendar of major school dates, please visit <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/dalewood/events/>

Information

Homework Helps – Is a free online math tutoring program offered by TVO. Students in grade 7 to 10 can access live certified teachers online to assist with math instruction. <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org/> Students can login through the HUB with some of the account permissions already signed up.
<http://home.hwdsb.on.ca/students.php>

Ansle Wood Community Association Message

The Ainslie Wood Community Association is holding its community clean up day on Saturday May 13th from 1-3. The meeting place is the playground

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at Alexander park on Whitney Ave. (Riffle Range and Whitney is the closest intersection) All supplies will be provided. High School students can earn volunteer credits. For more information please email awccleanup@gmail.com

Hamilton Community Foundation – Adolescent Brain Under Construction Dr Jean Clinton

<http://hamiltoncommunityfoundation.ca/event-list/apr19/>

Join us as renowned expert Dr. Jean Clinton shares her recent findings on adolescent brain development and how environment and experience play key roles during the formative teenage years.

April 19th 7-9pm Hamilton Spectator Building.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Will using TipOff cost me money?

It depends on your phone plan. Standard text messaging rates apply.

What should I report?

We hope you will share anonymous tips on bullying, student safety and crime to make you school safer.

What number do I text?

You can text 905-963-0066. You can also use web chat at <http://goo.gl/kq4snT> or download and use the smartphone app. This creates what we call a 'conversation.'

Can I also call that number?

Yes, but TipOff will not engage in phone conversations. The automated prompts allow you to connect via text, or to contact emergency supports.

Will TipOff provide counselling?

No. TipOff's operator will never offer counselling. It is an information service. It will refer you to 911 if you are in crisis. Your school can provide the full support it does every day.

Download the TipOff App!





How will my tip be used?

TipOff labels each tip according to the type of incident and where it occurred. (e.g. #bullying, #theft, #onschoolproperty).

Labels help HWDSB learn more about the needs of our students and schools. It also helps staff understand how TipOff is being used.

Your tip will always remain anonymous in the TipOff system. School officials may ask for your identity if your tip is of an urgent nature that requires face-to-face conversation.

HWDSB staff review conversations frequently to understand how tips are handled, how many tips are being received and how satisfied users are with TipOff.



HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



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The anonymous reporting service at Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board.

School safety starts with you!

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