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PLASTIC BAG DONATIONS



Once again Elizabeth Bagshaw will be supporting the Good Sheppard Centre. We are looking for plastic shopping bags to help the Good Sheppard with their food program. Please show your support by sending your student in with any plastic shopping bags from **January 9th to 19th.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 9—19 Plastic Bag Donations
- January 12 Twin Day
- January 26 P.A. Day - No School
- February 5 Kindergarten Registration Begins
- February 7 Grad Photos in AM



www.hamiltonschoolbus.ca
(905) 523-2318

With the extreme weather conditions bus delays often occur. When delays are longer than 10 minutes Student Transportation will post the delayed pick up / drop off time on their website. Their contact information is listed above.

FOOD SALES

In addition to cookies, we are now selling bags of popcorn for \$1 each on Mondays and Fridays at First Nutrition Break . Choose from our 5 delicious flavours: Dill Pickle, Butter & Salt, Salt & Vinegar, White Cheddar, and Sweet Kettle. We will continue to sell milk each day for \$0.75 and TCBY frozen yogurt for \$2 on Tuesdays & Thursdays.



PIZZA DAYS

Watch out for an upcoming flyer about our monthly pizza days in February, March and April!

COLD WEATHER



Parents/Guardians, we have had a few inquiries regarding our policy for outdoor play during cold weather. 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. The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board asks Principals to follow this recommendation and ensure children are not outside when it is that cold. In addition, we assess the condition of the playground as well as consider reported wind chill temperatures in determining if the students will go out. Whenever possible we do try to have the students enjoy a period of outdoor play during the day, so we ask that parents send students to school dressed appropriately for the weather.

SCHOOL CLOSING

Hotline # 905-521-2535

In the event of inclement weather, the Transportation Department advises the carriers to drive predetermined routes to assess the condition of the roads. This is done between 4:00 AM and 5:00 AM. The drivers report back to the carriers and HWDSB begins to receive reports between 5:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. In the meantime, the Transportation Department is verifying the weather forecast through our local media outlets as well as contacting the City of Hamilton Works Department to determine where possible what roads have been cleared or when they are expected to be serviced. The decision to close schools is made in conjunction with our colleagues at the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board based on relevant information at that time. School Boards across Ontario have varying policies about the cancellation of schools. At HWDSB, the cancellation of transportation due to inclement weather immediately triggers the closure of our schools and Board office. Please remember, as a parent/guardian you always have the choice on whether or not to send your child to school. Once the decision to close schools has been made it will be posted/communicated by 6:00 AM via the following: the HWDSB website: www.hwdsb.on.ca, HWDSB's Twitter account: www.twitter.com/HWDSB, HWSTS website: www.hamiltonschoolbus.ca, Local media outlets: CBC Hamilton, CHCH TV, CHML.

Please note it is possible that if buses are cancelled due to **extreme cold** (not inclement weather), the HWDSB may decide to keep schools open.

HWDSB will NOT post a weather alert on its website to signal that schools are open.

For more information about this policy, please view Cancellation of School and Board Administrative Operations at <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/severe-weather/>.