

Wing Tips

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April 2018

<u>Arrival Check Program</u> Please call the school to let us know that your child(ren) will **not** be attending school for the day or will be arriving late. For your convenience, the answering machine is available 24hrs/day & 7days/week.

Principal's Message:

April Happenings at Green Acres

Welcome Spring and Happy Easter to our families who celebrated Easter last weekend. Here are some updates regarding events that are happening during the month of April:

Band Fest

On April 6th our grade 7 and 8 students took part in their first Band Festival at Sherwood Secondary School. This is a wonderful opportunity for our Green Acres Band to showcase their musical talent among other HWDSB bands across the city. Thank you to Mrs. Holden for all her hard work in getting our students ready for Band Fest.

Pink Day

April 11th is HWDSB Day of Pink, a day where our students will participate in a variety of activities to raise awareness of anti-bullying. Thank you to our Student Leadership Group for planning the activities for this important day. Students have been busy creating announcements and posters regarding the event. We encourage everyone to wear pink that day.

Grades 4 - 6 Annual Basketball Tournament

Green Acres is happy to host it's annual Grades 4 - 6 Basketball Tournament on April 20th. Thank you to Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Kirkelos for organizing the event.

Money raised from the tournament will go towards the Grade 8 Graduation. Thank you to our Grade 8 students for helping out that day .

We look forward to another great day of basketball here at Green Acres .

Volunteering

The HWDSB Volunteer Policy requires all volunteers have a Vulnerable Sector Screening Report (Police Check). If you are interested in volunteering in your child's class or for a class trip you would need a current police check. For new volunteers the police check must be within six months of the issue date, for returning volunteers the police check will be valid for three years with a signed Offence Declaration completed each year (available in the office). For more information or for a letter to take to the Police Station on King William Street, please call the school office or visit www.policesolutions.ca/checks/services/hamilton/. A police check can take 4-6 weeks, once you have obtained the report please bring it to the office and we will complete the remainder of the forms. Parents will not be allowed to volunteer for trips without a Police Check.

Green Acres School Council Update

Happy Spring from the Green Acres School Council. Thank you to everyone who continues to help us out with our events including the pancake day in February and the monthly pizza days. We could not organize these events without your support. So far this year the pizza days have enabled us to help support the ordering of new team uniforms and will also help us to subsidize school trips.

Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 3, 2018 for our Open House and Cultural Festival. This will be a chance to see the work that our kids have done throughout the school year and to learn more about our Green Acres community. There will be special displays, food, art, and activities all celebrating the diversity of our school. Finally, make sure to get your orders in for the school spirit wear. We are very excited about the t-shirts and shorts.

The next school council meeting is Monday, April 16, 2018. Please feel free to join us. If there are any questions about School Council or any of the upcoming events please do not hesitate to contact us through e-mail at greenacrespublicschool@gmail.com or send us a message on our facebook page: Green Acres School Council Info Page.

Kindergarten Graduation Photos:

On Tuesday, April 17, Creative Images will be here for Senior Kindergarten Graduation Photos. Look for information coming home with your child.



COMMUNITY MEETING: SCHOOL ADDITION/ RENOVATION UPDATE

A public meeting will be held for families at Collegiate Ave. (Zone 6), Green Acres and R.L. Hyslop on **Thursday**, **April 26**, **2018 at 6:00 p.m. at Collegiate Avenue School**. This meeting will review plans for the addition/ renovation as well as plans for transitioning students to the holding site(s) and then back to the new school on the Collegiate Ave. site. Please join us!

Save The Date

Thursday, May 3, Green Acres Open House, School Council Multicultural Event and Green Acres Talent Show! Open House is from 5:30 –7:00, Talent Show 7:00-8:00, Multicultural Event 5:30 –7:00

Thank-you to our School Council for their work in planning the Multicultural Event. Information Flyers have gone home with our K-8 students asking for parent participation for the evening. Look for more information to come home with your child during the month of April.