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November 2018

Arrival Check Program 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.

Staff Changes

Green Acres said goodbye to Mr. Burgio on October 31. We were sad to see him go, but are excited that he was successful in obtaining a permanent teaching position with our board and wish him well at Memorial City. Mrs. Manoukian will take over for Mr. Burgio on Monday, November 5. She will be teaching Phys. Ed, Health and Library to our Primary and Intermediate Comprehensive Class. We welcome Mrs. Manoukian back to Green Acres.

Remembrance Day

This year Remembrance Day falls on Sunday, November 11. Staff and students will be taking part in an assembly at 11:00 on Friday, November 9. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Thank you to Mrs. Holden for her work in coordinating the assembly.



Picture Re-Take Date

Our picture retake day will be Monday November 12th in the afternoon.

Clocks went back!

Just a reminder to our Green Acres Community that Daylight Savings Time ended on November 3rd and clocks went back one hour on Sunday, November 4th.

November Student Leadership Happenings

Here are Student Leadership happenings during the month of November:

Hat & Mitten Drive - Nov19th-30th (all hats and mittens will be donated to a local shelter)
Bullying Awareness Week - Nov 19th-23rd
Blast from the Past/80's Day - Nov 13th

Junior Swim Team

Good luck to our Junior Swim Team on November 21st as they compete in the Swim Meet at McMaster University. Thank you to Mrs. Gear and Mrs. Dempsey for their time in coaching our team this year. Good Luck at the meet!

Newsletters

Please subscribe to our School Newsletter by visiting www.hwdsb.on.ca/greenacres/ and clicking SUBSCRIBE. This will also give you updates when something has been updated on our website/calendar. You will need to subscribe each school year. Please call the office if you would like a paper copy of the newsletter each month.

Volunteers at Green Acres:

Part of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board's Volunteer Policy is that any volunteers working with children must have obtained a Vulnerable Sector Screening Report. This is essentially a criminal record check and is put in place to protect our students. To obtain a report, an adult can pick up an application form from the Police Station, complete the form and submit either in person at the Hamilton Police Services Headquarters on King William Street in Hamilton or online. The cost is \$25.00 and the report is valid for 3 years with the HWDSB. It could take up to 4-6 weeks for the report to be prepared. Once you obtain the report, bring it to the school office for approval and complete the Volunteer Forms for Green Acres School. If you are interested in volunteering, complete this process as soon as possible, so that you can take advantage of opportunities as they arise.

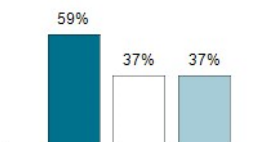
If you volunteered last year and intend to continue volunteering you will need to come in and sign the Offence Declaration and Volunteer Agreement Form for this school year.

You will not be permitted to attend school trips without a Police Check!

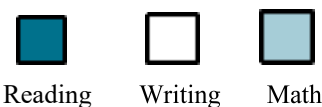
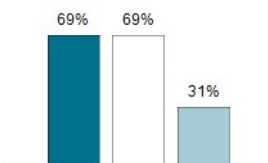
EQAO Results
Achievement Data

Students at or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4)

Grade 3



Grade 6



Staff have spent time going over our EQAO results and will be using this set of data, Report Card data and classroom data to identify our students needs as we set our goals for our school's Annual Plan. Kindergarten and Grade 1 will focus on Reading and Grades 2 - 8 will focus on Math.

Green Acres School Council Update

Thank you to everyone who came to visit us during Meet the Teacher and voted on fundraising ideas. People were very interested in fun events that bring our school community together as well as spirit wear and bake sales (although the bake sale idea was more popular with the kids).

So, we are pleased to announce that we will be hosting a Dance-a-Thon on Tuesday, November 27 from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. in the gym. Pledge sheets will be coming home soon. Basically, kids will be asked to get pledges from their family and friends in exchange for them promising to dance for 30 minutes over the course of the night. Pledges can be anything; some people may pledge \$0.25; others may pledge \$5.00. The minimum amount of pledges to participate will be \$2 and children must be accompanied and supervised by an adult. The night will also include a bake sale, light snacks, refreshments for purchase, dance demonstrations by local artists, and dance-offs that the kids can participate in. We look forward to seeing everyone there and it should make for a fun night. We also hope to be able to reveal our new spirit wear options this same night. All proceeds will go directly back to the school to help pay for supplies for the Home Reading program and supplies for the Student Success Room. This is in line with the Green Acres School Annual Fundraising Plan as approved by the HWDSB.

We are so thankful that we have been joined by several new members this year. Keep in mind more people are always welcome. Please remember that coming to one meeting does not make you committed. Please feel free just to check it out. Some people will attend all of the meetings; others can only attend a few. Some people aren't able to make the meetings, but offer to help out with special events. Any and all contributions only help to make our school community stronger.

See you at the Dance-a-Thon.

Green Acres School Council