



HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



# HESS ST HAPPENINGS

APRIL 2017

## Principal's Message

Spring is here! With the nicer weather, we are happy to spend more active time outdoors. We know that physical activity helps gets students' minds ready for learning. We are also looking forward to a number of field trips plan for our students to explore the natural environment and our downtown area. These are wonderful opportunities for students to enhance their learning.

The final meeting for the Pupil Accommodation Review working committee will be this week. At this meeting, a number of proposals will be prioritized. This list will then be shared with the trustees and the final decision will be shared with communities before the end of the school year. As a school community, we thank you for your continued involvement and support with your students' education. It has been amazing to see the passion and dedication of our families to our school.

Thank you,  
Estella Jones, Principal

## Riddles

- Q #1** If there are four apples and you take away three, how many do you have?
- Q #2** I add five to nine, and get two. The answer is correct, but how?
- Q #3** The ages of a father and son add up to 66. The father's age is the son's age reversed. How old could they be?
- Q. #4** What weighs more – a pound of iron or a pound of feathers?

Answers are on the next page.



## Important Dates

- April 4—Band Trip
- April 7, Band & Choir Trip
- April 7—Vision Screening
- April 10—RBG Trip (Gr. 4/5)
- April 12—Day of Pink—Anti bullying
- April 12, Gr. 5/6 Ancaster Fair Trip
- April 13—TALENT SHOW
- April 14—Good Friday (No School)
- April 17—Easter Monday (No School)
- April 22—Earth Day
- April 26—D. V. C. trip (gr. 4/5)
- The EQAO assessment will take place for all grades 3 and 6 students between May 23 and June 2017.

## Contact Us

If your child is going to be absent, please call the school and let us know.  
**(905) 527-1439**



**It's almost tax time. But this year, filing taxes could mean hundreds of dollars in additional income for families in Hamilton!**

Several new financial benefits have become

available to Canadian (and Ontario) families over the last couple of years. In July, 2016 the Canada Child Benefit was launched by the new federal government and provides financial support to families with children under the age 17. A higher benefit is provided for children under the age of 6.

A family with two children and an income of \$28,000 could potentially receive more than \$900/month, \$11,000/year under the new program. While the benefit is higher for lower income families, middle income families earning up to \$120,000 annually may also receive a portion of the CCB.

The Canada Child Benefit complements other tax-credit programs to help alleviate poverty amongst low income families, but many of these benefits must be accessed through filing taxes. It's also important to note

## EQAO

**EQAO** is a large scale assessment for all students in grades 3 and 6 in Ontario. Questions align with the Ontario curriculum in reading, writing and mathematics. The assessments student achievement objectively and in relation to a common standard. Please go to [eqao.com](http://eqao.com) for more information and/or check out the following links for examples of past questions in mathematics. Families and their students can review or try the questions to get more comfortable with the format and types of questions that may be asked.

Answers to Riddles.....

- A #1 You took three apples so obviously you have three.
- A #2 When it is 9am, add 5 hours to it and you will get 2pm.
- A #3 There are three possible solutions for this: the father-son duo could be 51 and 15 years old, 42 and 24 years old or 60 and 06 years old.
- A #4 Both would weigh the same – come on, a pound remains a pound, irrespective of the object!

**NOT DOING YOUR TAXES?**  
**You could be missing out!**

Ne pas produire une déclaration de revenus?  
 Vous risquez de rater beaucoup de choses!

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**¿No está haciendo su declaración de impuestos?**  
**¡Podría estar perdiéndose de algo!**

不报你的税？你可能错过了什么！

**Canshuurtaada ma xareyneysid? Waxaad weyn kartaa!**  
**Ban không khai thuế? Có thể bạn sẽ bỏ mất cơ hội!**

**Join us for the March 30th Tax Clinic – 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.**  
 Presentations: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Hamilton Public Library  
 Central Library | Lloyd D. Jackson Square, 55 York Blvd

■ *Saturday, April 29, 2017*

9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Sir Allan MacNab Secondary School  
(145 Magnolia Drive, Hamilton)  
AND

■ *Saturday, May 6, 2017*

9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Delta Secondary School  
(1284 Main Street East, Hamilton)

To donate, go to [www.promprojecthamilton.ca](http://www.promprojecthamilton.ca) for a list of participating drop-off points.

What's available to visiting students?

- Formal wear: gowns, dresses, skirts / tops, suits, dress shirts, vests, dress pants, ties etc.
- Accessories, shoes, jewelry, shawls, purses, hygiene products
- Volunteers on-site to apply make-up, as well as demonstrate make-up tips and fun up-dos
- Seamstresses on-site to address minor fitting issues



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