HILLCREST SCHOOL

April 2018

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Principal's Message

Spring is here, the clock has moved to daylight savings time and the long cold winter is on its way out. As we also know April showers bring May flowers. As much as we love the flowers, the showers can turn our playground field into a muddy mess. Please encourage your child to still bring indoor shoes and help our caretaking staff keep our building clean.

Annually, the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) assess our grade three and six students on their Reading, Writing and Mathematical skills. The assessment is based on the Ontario Curriculum and a grading format is used to ensure that children are scored in a consistent and fair manner. Our teachers have been working all year to prepare the students for the assessment by using materials from previous assessments to ensure that students are familiar with the expectations of the assessment and the format of the assessment. Further information regarding EQAO will follow in the May newsletter.

Open House

Education Week, being held May 7-11, 2018 provides a wonderful opportunity to celebrate student achievement, teaching excellence, and exceptional community support in our schools. It is also a great time for parents and guardians to get into schools and see what is happening in celebration of Education Week. We would like to invite all our parents, friends and relatives to our Open House on Thursday May 10, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Come and browse, come and see the fabulous work completed by our students and all that is being accomplished to help our students reach their full potential. See you on May 10!

Volunteers

We are always looking for willing volunteers. Our healthy snack program runs 5 days a week. We are currently looking for parents who might be able to offer up some time. If you think you would like to assist with the daily snack preparation, or give some time to a classroom assisting students and teachers we would welcome the help! Please see the office for more info about volunteering.

We would like to wish Mrs. Earl all the best, as she retires this month. Thank you for your time and dedication to our students. We have been lucky to have you! Enjoy your next life chapter!

Hillcrest celebrated **Trustworthiness** as our March character trait. We recognized students who demonstrated "strength to take on challenges to do the right thing, even when it may be unpopular". In April we will focus on **INTEGRITY!**

Upcoming Dates:										
Good Friday & Easter Monday	International Day of Pink—	Chocolate Bar Fundraiser—								
March 30 & April 2 NO SCHOOL	April 11 (Wear Pink to School)	March 23—April 6								
Open House -	Gr. 7 Vaccinations—	Victoria Day—								
May 10	May 8 & 9	May 21								

Follow us on Twitter to catch all the latest happenings @Hillcrest_HWDSB / Visit our school's website www.hwdsb.on.ca/hillcrest

Hillcrest's Annual Chocolate Bar Fundraiser

Students who have signed up, will be selling Laura Secord Chocolate from March 23 until April 6. Boxes include 30 chocolate bars for \$3 a piece. Our top sellers will have a chance to win Family Passes for Flying Squirrel, the Niagara Falls Waterpark or the movie theater. The top two selling classes will receive a pizza and ice cream party! Remember if you pay for your complete boxes online, you will receive double the draw tickets!

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International Day of Pink

On Wednesday April 11, 2018, staff and students across HWDSB will join millions of people worldwide who wear pink on this day. We do this because we want to make a statement that we stand against all forms of bullying. It also reminds us that when we stand up and speak out, we can make a difference.

We encourage all Hillcrest students to wear pink on April 11th.

For Sale at Hillcrest

- Pizza day every Friday \$1.50 (MUST be pre-ordered)
- Milk daily \$0.75 (JK-5 pre-order, limited available for sale in the office)



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30 3:30 Band Pizza Orders Due	Day 1								