



Janet Lee News – February

Janet Lee Elementary School

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From the Principal's Desk

February promises to be another exciting month with many exciting activities planned for all students.

I want to say a big thank you to the Janet Lee community for another successful fundraiser. With your support, we raised over **\$8000.00**. It is because of your efforts that we will be able to install our second water filling station. We are hoping to have this station installed by March.

There are many exciting things happening at

Janet Lee in February including a movie night, Valentine's Day activities as well as a MADD presentation for our Intermediate Students. As well, we wish Mrs. Chiasson and the band luck as they compete in the Golden Horseshoe Music Festival on Feb. 22nd.

This month also brings home the Term 1 report card. Watch for your child's report card to come home on Feb. 17th. Report 1 is the perfect time to set goals and reflect on strengths

and next steps for learning and improvement. Please return the parent portion of the report card with your signature, in the report card envelope. If you would like to see your child(ren's) teacher(s), please indicate this on the returned portion and your teacher will get in touch to make an appointment with you. Please feel free to connect with your child(ren's) teacher at any time if you have any questions or concerns about your child(ren's)

development and learning.

As always, we continue to strive to provide the best learning opportunities at Janet Lee and welcome any questions or suggestions.

Please check the Janet Lee Website often as we continue to update it with current events and planned activities.

Have a wonderful February!



February Events



Please continue to check the Janet Lee Website and follow Mrs. Anderson on Twitter @JanetLeeHWDSB for upcoming events and special occasions throughout the year.

Feb. 6 – K Registration Begins

Feb. 7 – Lockdown Practice

Feb. 10 – Movie Night (Moana)

Feb. 14 - Red, Pink & White Day, Grades 6-8 Dance

Feb. 17 – Report Cards go Home

Feb. 20 – Family Day - NO SCHOOL

Feb. 21 – MADD Presentation

Feb. 22 – Band to Competition

Feb. 24 – Monthly Assembly 8:10 in the Gym

Feb. 29 – Council Meeting

March 3 – PA Day NO School

Extreme Cold Weather Alerts

Time spent outdoors is an integral part of the school day. There are great benefits when children experience fresh air, exercise and time spent outside. Outdoor play is also a break from the structure of the classroom.

Depending on the season, preparing for outdoor play in Canada can mean anything from applying sunscreen to wearing mittens and a hat. During winter, it's important that chil-

dren come to school prepared for the cold. Students should wear boots, mittens/gloves and hats and it's a good idea to pack extra mittens, socks, etc. in case they are needed.

Principals can always use their judgment to decide whether to send students outside for recess. However, HWDSB asks Principals to follow the City of Hamilton recommendation that individuals stay

inside when the temperature drops below -15 C without wind chill. If you have any questions or concerns regarding winter outdoor play, please feel free to contact the school office at anytime.



School Council

Next School Council Meeting.....

Monday, February 27th

6:30

Library

Movie Night

Community Movie Night in the gym, February 10, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. This event provides a great opportunity for you to come out and join the community to celebrate and have fun!

Doors open at 6:00!



HWDSB Events

Check out www.hwdsb.on.ca / **Events Calendar** to keep current on upcoming events at HWDSB schools & offices.



Kindergarten Registration

HWDSB schools are exciting, enriching places for young learners to receive an education. They learn to explore the world around them, solve problems, and make new friends. Our Kindergarten Program helps students get off to the best possible start. Your child will be challenged and encouraged to do his or her very best. Our caring educators are with them every step of the way!

Registration for September 2017 Begins Feb. 6



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MADD Presentation For Grades 7/8

The school will be hosting an assembly presentation of "In the Blink of an Eye" on February 21st, 2017.

On average, every day in Canada 4 people are killed and 175 are seriously injured as a result of crashes involving alcohol and/ or drugs. Impaired driving is the number 1 criminal cause of death in Canada. The devastating impact on victims/survivors and their families is immeasurable. In an instant, their lives are changed forever.

It is never too early to teach our youth about the dangers of impaired driving and getting in a vehicle with an impaired driver. Traffic crashes remain by far the largest single cause of death among 16 - 25 year olds. Approximately 58% of all motor vehicle fatalities are alcohol and/or drug-related. While young people are significantly overrepresented in alcohol-related deaths as drivers, they are overrepresented to an even greater extent as passengers. The problem of impaired driving among youth in Canada is very real.

Janet Lee Band

The Janet Lee Band has been working very hard over the last few months and had a successful holiday assembly as well as an excellent performance at Juravinski Hospital in December. Our next performance will be at the Golden Horse-shoe Music Festival on February 22nd, followed by the HWDSB Bandfest!

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Mrs. Chiasson

Parking Lot

At Janet Lee we are very lucky to have a parking lot and Kiss & Ride on site. As we grow, these areas become very busy during the morning and after school. Students who live within walking distance are encouraged to walk to and from school. If you have to drop your student off at school it is important that you follow the proper Kiss & Ride procedures. If you are not going to park, but just drop your child off you must use the kiss and ride (not the parking lot). When using the Kiss & Ride parents are to let their children out of the car, ensure they are safely walking to school and then proceed out of the parking lot, allowing a consistent flow of traffic. Drivers are NOT to stop and walk their child(ren) onto the playground under any circumstances. These procedures are outlined on the Janet Lee website.

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Reminder

A reminder that smoking is not permitted any where on school board property at anytime.



No Nuts Please

PEANUT AND NUT SAFE SCHOOL

This year we have students with life-threatening allergies to peanuts or nuts. Please do not send your child with any nut products for lunch or snacks. Working together we can help ensure the safety of all our children.