



# Janet Lee News – March

## Janet Lee Elementary School

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## From the Principal's Desk

Yes, it is already March! Thank you once again to all of the staff, students and families for making the month of February amazing at JL. A big congratulations to the JL community for all of the amazing donations towards our Kidney Foundation Clothing Drive. The community brought in approximately 2500 lbs. of clothing which was donated to support families dealing with Kidney Disease. If you didn't get a chance, check on the article in the Stoney Creek News about this successful event for Janet Lee.

As we look forward to warmer weather, here at Janet Lee we are continuing to be busy with many activities and events around the school. This month brings many opportunities for our Senior students with soccer, cricket and ultimate frisbee tournaments. As well, McMaster Engineering will be visiting our Grade 5-8 students to provide STEM workshops to support engagement in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

March also brings our photographer back into the school to photograph all Grade 8 students for graduation. Please be sure to get your money in for your Grade 8 Graduation Class Composite on the day of photos— March 28th!

Thank you to all families who continue to come out to support Janet Lee at our monthly awards assemblies. If you are interested in joining us, our monthly assemblies start at approximately 8:20 each

month in the gym. They are a great opportunity for us to celebrate all of the exciting things happening at our wonderful school. This month the assembly will be on March 31st.

Just a reminder that March Break runs March 13th -17th. The school will re-open on March 20th! Enjoy your break with family and friends!

Have a wonderful March!

Mrs. J. Anderson

## March Events



Please continue to check the Janet Lee website and follow Mrs. Anderson on Twitter @JanetLee\_HWDSB for upcoming events and special occasions throughout the year.

March 2 – Soccer Team to Redeemer

March 3 – PA Day — NO SCHOOL

March 7 and 8 – Gr. 5-8 STEM Workshops

March 7 – Cricket Team to Redeemer

March 10 – Ultimate Frisbee

March 13-17 – March Break!

March 20 — Return to School

March 27 – School Council Meeting

March 28 - Grade 8 Graduation Photos on the Stage — AM

March 31- Monthly Assembly

## Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart is designed for students in elementary school. Part of Jump Rope for Heart is kids skipping and playing with their classmates as they celebrate raising funds for critical research.

Jump Rope for Heart offers much more than a great day of fun...it also helps to:

- Motivate kids to get active
- Reinforce healthy habits such as healthy eating and physical activity
- Teach the importance of social responsibility, helping others in the community and across Canada
- Empower kids to make a difference by supporting a good cause
- Boost school spirit



Thanks to the support of parents, teachers and principals, Jump's popularity continues to grow. Jump Rope for Heart celebrates its **35th Anniversary this year!** Close to 4,000 schools across Canada embrace Jump Rope for Heart. The program is building to **1 million kids** Jumping this year alone.

Event will take place on April 28th, 2017

### School Council

**Next School Council Meeting.....**  
**Monday, March 27th**  
**6:30**  
**Library**

### YMCA AFTER-School Program Registration Dates

Start and end every school day with the YMCA! Your child can enjoy unique YMCA programming after the school bell rings right in your neighbourhood. Children thrive in an environment where everyone belongs, explores, learns and has fun together. Program at Janet Lee runs from the bell until 6:00 pm daily. New registration for JK/SK children begins March 8th

2017 and new registration for Grades 1 and up opens April 19th 2017. Please contact [hamilton\\_sacc@ymca.ca](mailto:hamilton_sacc@ymca.ca) or 905 317 4916 for more information.



### HWDSB Events

Check out [www.hwdsb.on.ca](http://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!

**PLEASE REGISTER TODAY FOR SEPTEMBER 2017**



## News from the Band

Congratulations to the Senior Band who brought home a Silver at the Golden Horseshoe Music Festival.

The band will continue to practice regularly for Bandfest in April.

Canada's Wonderland School Music Festival will be held in June.



## Attention Gr. 8 Students

Grade 8 Graduation Photos will be on March 28th in the gym on the stage. Please remember to bring your money and order form for your Grade 8 Class Composite!



As we look ahead to the Spring and warmer weather, please note the following dates for the **EQAO Primary and Junior Assessments**. These assessments, for Grade Three and Grade Six students, will be administered from May 23rd - June 5th, 2017.

## Cool Little Kids®

There will be a Parent Information Night on April 4th, 2017 from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m., Education Centre, 20 Education Court, Hamilton, Ontario for the next upcoming session of Cool Little Kids Parent Group.

Cool Little Kids Group is a Cognitive Behavioural Therapy based prevention group for parents/caregivers of anxious students in FDK- grade 2.

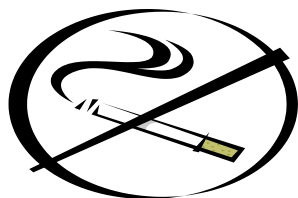
RSVP by: March 30, 2017 Call: 905 527 5092 ext. 2923 Email: [coolittlekids@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:coolittlekids@hwdsb.on.ca)

*This program is offered by the  
Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board  
Social Work Department*



## 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.



# Education Quality and Accountability Office

As we look ahead to the Spring and warmer weather, please note the following dates for the **EQAO Primary and Junior Assessments**. These assessments, for Grade Three and Grade Six students, will be administered from May 23rd - June 5th, 2017.

Yearly, after each assessment, EQAO makes approximately half of the test items (questions) public. These booklets, as well as examples of the students' answers from the past five years are available on the EQAO website - Parent Resources or at this link:

<http://www.eqao.com/Parents/Elementary/036/BookletsandGuides.aspx?Lang=E&gr=036&yr=14>

"A Guide to EQAO Assessment in Elementary School" is another resource available on the EQAO website - Parent Resources. This guide, available in 21 languages, answers commonly asked questions such as "What is on the EQAO assessments? Do EQAO results count towards students' grades?". To access this guide in English click on the following link:

[http://www.eqao.com/pdf\\_e/14/guide-elementary-assessments-english.pdf](http://www.eqao.com/pdf_e/14/guide-elementary-assessments-english.pdf)

Math, Reading and Writing are components on both the Primary and Junior Assessments. Here are some suggestions that you might find helpful in supporting your child's learning in Mathematics at home.

## **PRIMARY**

Include your child in everyday activities that involve addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Play games and do puzzles that require reasoning.

Solve problems with your child and talk about the different steps in the solution.

Have your child show you how he or she can solve problems in different ways (e.g., through sketches, charts, graphs, words, tallies).

Let your child know that everyone can learn mathematics.

## **JUNIOR**

Have your child help you solve everyday problems that require different operations and formulas to solve them.

Play games with several steps.

Ask your child to describe a problem and explain what additional information is needed to reach a solution.

Have your child show you the steps he or she has used to solve different problems.

Let your child know that everyone can learn mathematics.