



## Parkdale Elementary School

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Newsletter

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome to November! By now you will have received your son / daughter's **Fall Progress Report** which were sent home for JK- Gr.5 students. Hopefully, you were able to attend an interview with your child(ren)'s teacher last week as well. If you have not been able to come in for a parent-teacher interview yet please connect with your child's teacher to re-schedule or plan for a phone interview. It is very important to make sure that students are off to a positive and productive start to their school year and that home and school are working cooperatively together in the best interests of the students.

**Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am** will be our school Remembrance Day Assembly. Parents are welcome to join us at that time. We will have Poppies on sale for students to purchase with a coin donation on the morning of Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, students will go around to each of the classes. Monies collected from the Poppy collection goes to the local Legion to support veterans and their families within our community and country. We ask that students please dress in red and black for our assembly on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

There is some staffing news and updates to share with our school community at this time. Just an update that Mrs. Hill was fortunate enough to be placed in a permanent teaching position at Bellmoore School. Miss Hunter has taken over the Gr. 3/4 class effective early October and will now be teaching the Gr. 3/4 class until the end of June 2018. Mrs. Smith delivered a healthy baby boy in late October. We look forward to meeting him in the new year when they come for a visit. Mrs. Jennings has started as our new Head Caretaker to replace the vacancy left when Mr. Chaston posted to a new school. Mr. Fredson has started as our afternoon part-time caretaker filling the vacancy left when Mr. Alves transferred to a new school. Welcome everyone to Parkdale!

**SAVE THE DATE** – **Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** will be our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Parkdale Holiday Lunch. Stay tuned for further details and requests for volunteer help!! We are excited to be embarking on this event for another year and look forward to a great event! This year we have been fortunate enough to receive some funding in the amount of \$1,000.00 to help offset the cost of the Holiday Lunch through the HWDSB Foundation!

***Have a Great Month of November!***

*E. Birch-Jones*

# BUG BUSTER HEAD LICE CLINICS

Program provides

- Screening (head checks)
- Treatment demonstrations
- Information provided by a public health nurse
- Time to talk to other parents

Visit [www.hamilton.ca/HealthandSocialServices/PublicHealth/HeadLice](http://www.hamilton.ca/HealthandSocialServices/PublicHealth/HeadLice)



## Pita Pit

November 16th Pita DAY!! Forms due back by November 8th

### Healthy Snack Program

Healthy snacks are distributed every day. Our students enjoy the assortment of healthy snacks delivered to their classrooms every day. A special thank you to our parent volunteers who have done a great job of organizing and distributing these healthy snacks.



### Nut Free School

We have several students and staff with severe nut allergies.

They require epipens and would need to go directly to the hospital after contact. Please make sure that you do not include nut products in your child's lunch or snacks.

We must ensure our students and staff are safe



A small bike was found on the school property. If it belongs to you or to someone you know, please contact the office.

### Attention Parkdale Dog Owners:

While it is super exercise for both owner and pet to walk their "human" sibling to school, we ask that owners please keep all dogs both on a leash and on the grass area away from other dogs and away from where students are lining up to enter the school. While many students are comfortable around dogs not all of our student population share this comfort level. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this!



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