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هذه المعلومات مهمة للوالدين ، يرجى ترجمة شخص لك إذا لزم الأمر.

Bu bilgiler, veliler için gerekirse birisi size tercüme lütfen önemlidir

Thông tin này là rất quan trọng cho phụ huynh, xin vui lòng có một người phiên dịch cho bạn nếu cần

Principal's Corner



Dear Parents and Guardians:

Well, March Break is coming up shortly and it will serve as a nice time for families to connect and celebrate the terrific accomplishments of the students at *Sir Isaac Brock*. The students have shown increases in academic attitudes and achievement, and it is a tribute to the hard work of the students and support of their parents and teachers.

As principal, I am very pleased with the personal growth of our students and the ongoing acts of kindness towards one another. We still have room for improvement, but I am confident with the support of caring adults at school here and parental support at home that our students can lead others to be kind as well.

As always, the key to your child's success is effective and ongoing communication with the school. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's subject and / or homeroom teacher if you have any questions, concerns, or wish to discuss your child's progress.

Mr. Tye

Principal

Sir Isaac Brock Awards



Ms. Corbett's Class (JK / SK) Sydney A. for saying her name, and knowing all of the letters; Izaak H. for making better choices; Jenny B. for doing more writing, and writing in her journal

Mr. McDermid's Class (JK / SK) Rae-Lynn H., Areeza K., Sarah Q., Benjamin S.

Miss Williams' Class (JK / SK) Jasmin C., Serenity S., JJ W.

Ms. Orr's Class (Grades 1 / 2) Connor N. for positive attitude and trying hard; Jaxon P. for perseverance and hard work; and Dasan T. for working hard on counting and making an effort

Ms. Redden's Class (Grades 1 / 2) Shiv P., Aleigha P., Daysha Vardy

Miss Cianciolo's Class (Grades 2 / 3) Nazish K., Kiona P.

Ms. Tomic's Class (Grades 2 / 3) Dhanvi P.

Mrs. Grybas' Class (Grades 3 / 4) Zainab A. for showing kindness for others; Gureshaan G. for academic excellence

Mr. Crouch's Class (Grades 4 / 5) Hannah B., Hurr K., Maddison P. for being kind to others

Mrs. Platis' Class (Grades 4 / 5) Taylor B. and Rylan M. for thinking "win win"; Emma M. for responsibility; Sejal P. and Rachael T. for appreciation



Another successful PJ Day and Pancake Day! Many special thanks to everyone who helped out! We could not have done it without you! A warm thank you to Mrs. Neubrand, Mrs. Sjoblad, and Mrs. Jones!



curiosity.

creativity.

possibility.

HWDSB

Pizza - every Wednesday (\$2 per slice)

Popcorn - every Friday (\$2 per bag)

Pita Day - Friday, March 31st (\$5 per pita)



Noise Cancelling Headphones!



Let's face it. Sometimes we need things to be quiet. And, just like us, our children feel the same way...which is why Sir Isaac Brock has implemented the use of noise cancelling headphones. By allowing our students the option to use these noise cancelling headphones, it blocks out noise, which reduces any unwanted sounds. It's just another way to help our students cope and learn.

We Ask "Why Wear A Helmet"

The Healthy Dragons Health Action Team are collecting submissions for the Hamilton Helmet Initiative Poster Contest! The slogan this year is **"My Brain is Awesome – that's why I wear a helmet!"**. Students can submit original artwork on 8.5 x 11 paper by the **deadline March 3, 2017**. Submissions should contain artwork only, no words. Consent forms will be given to interested students and submissions can be emailed to lcorniel@leadingconnections.net with an image of the poster and a copy of the consent form.

Winners will receive a new bike, helmet, and lock. The overall winner will have their poster made into a billboard in Hamilton, and one thousand dollars (\$1,000) will be given to the school they are from.

For more information and a consent form, please contact Katharine Muis, Public Health Nurse at Sir Isaac Brock at Katharine.muis@hamilton.ca. Also, check out the Hamilton Helmet Initiative here: <http://www.mcmasterchildrenshospital.ca/body.cfm?id=402>



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! Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board is proud to announce that Kindergarten is available for four and five-year-old students at schools in September. Registration has already started, so please be sure to register soon if you haven't already done so. (Registration forms can be found at <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/earlyyears/kindergarten/#Register>.)

Your child can attend HWDSB Kindergarten if they are...

- Age four or five by December 31st (Kindergarten attendance is optional); or
- Age six by September 1st (full-time school attendance is required).

What to bring to registration?



- proof of status in Canada, i.e. Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident, Refugee, etc.
- proof of age
- proof of address
- guardianship/custodianship documents (if applicable)
- immunization records – for City of Hamilton Public Health Services
- health card number – optional
- completed Student Registration Form (please note that the form cannot save to your computer with your completed information, please fill in the content and print).



Transportation concerns? Call Hamilton Wentworth Transportation Services (HWTS) at (905) 523-2318.

The Big Crunch

We are very happy to share an exciting, city-wide event taking place **March 9th**! It is called the **Great Big Crunch** and it is a special day of good food education, including a massive, synchronized bite into a crunchy apple to celebrate local food and healthy eating!



Canada Child Benefit

Filing taxes may not be your idea of fun, but it can make a big difference to your family's income. New financial supports such as the Canada Child Benefit (CCB) can mean hundreds of extra dollars per month for low and middle income families who have children up to the age of seventeen (17). The only catch is, you must file your taxes in order to access this extra money! For example, a family with two (2) children and earning \$28,000 a year could be eligible for a tax free benefit of \$900 a month through the CCB – that's \$10,800 per year! Families receiving social assistance are eligible for the benefit too, and it isn't deducted from Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program. The Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, City of Hamilton, and community partners want to make sure everybody who is eligible can access the money to which they are entitled. There are plans in the works to expand free

community tax clinics in Hamilton. In the meantime, please visit www.cra.gc.ca/getready to find out more about filing your taxes and receiving the Canada Child Benefit.



What is Dreambox?

The students at *Sir Isaac Brock* have embarked on a journey to improve their math skills using an online tool called "Dreambox". Dreambox will challenge your student with math questions and as your child answers them, the program will adapt the level of difficulty up or down as your child needs. It is best if students can play for twenty (20) minutes at least three (3) times per week. We hope that you will support this by allowing your child to use a device (e.g. cell phone, tablet, laptop, or desktop) if available. Our only other request... please DO NOT help your child with the questions! Although this can be tempting, it will not help your child as the program will think that your child can handle harder and harder questions and will lead to frustration.

How do we get started????

- * iPhone, iPod, iPad: download the Dreambox apps (green and blue). These are free apps but students will enter through the green app.
- * Launch the app and enter this school code: zrb9/s9pc
- * Your child will select his / her teacher's name
- * Your child will log in and have a great time practicing his / her math skills!
- * Desktop / laptop: open your webbrowser (e.g. Chrome, Explorer, Firefox, etc).

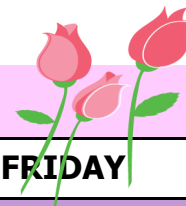
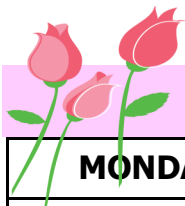


- * In the address bar type <https://play.dreambox.com/login/zrb9/s9pc>
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**PA Day
(NO School)**

Friday, March 3rd, 2017





MARCH 2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 (Day 1)  Pizza Day (\$2)	2 (Day 2)	3 PA Day (no school)
6 (Day 3)  Helmet Order Forms Due Today	7 (Day 4)	8 (Day 5)  Pizza Day (\$2)	9 (Day 1) JK / SK Trip to Mountsberg Conservation Area   The Big Crunch	10 (Day 2)  Popcorn (\$2)
13  <i>March 12th: Daylight Savings Time (don't forget to turn your clocks forward)</i>	14	15	16	17  St. Patrick's Day
20 (Day 3)  First Day of Spring	21 (Day 4)	22 (Day 5) Pita Pit Orders Due Today   Pizza Day (\$2)	23 (Day 1)  School Council Meeting 5:00 p.m. School Library	24 (Day 2)  Popcorn (\$2) Monthly Assembly
27 (Day 3)	28 (Day 4)	29 (Day 5)  Pizza Day (\$2)	30 (Day 1)	31 (Day 2)  Popcorn  Pita Day



CONTACT INFORMATION CHANGES!!

If your home, cell, or work phone number has changed, please inform the office immediately. In an emergency, it is important that the office be able to contact parents quickly.



ABSENCES! Just a friendly reminder...if you know your child will be away, please be sure to call the office to let us know. The office is very busy, and it is a Board policy to ensure each and every child arrives to school safely. As a result, we ask that you please keep us informed if your child will be absent due to illness, an appointment, vacation plans, etc. **Our phone lines are open 24-hours a day**, and you can leave a detailed voicemail message by calling (905) 561-0814. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.