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Dear Families,

Dec. 9th, 2020

We are writing to inform you that our school will be holding a secure schools protocol lockdown drill next week, so that staff and students are prepared in case of an emergency.

The drill may involve a visit by members of the Hamilton Police Service on Tuesday December 15, 2020 to inform and support best practices as they relate to the safety of the school community. We appreciate the co-operation of our students and staff during the drill.

The secure schools drill must also be aligned with the current public health advice and measures. This means that the standard procedures **will only be discussed and explained** by teaching staff in order to comply with physical distancing, face mask protocol, and the promotion of proper hand hygiene guidelines. In the event of an actual emergency/crisis, priority is on the imminent threat, not enhanced public health measures.

It is also important that we all remain aware of secure schools terminology used in all of Ontario's publicly funded schools. You can learn more about HWDSB's approach to secure schools at <https://hwdsb.info/secureschools> .

Sincerely,

Nanci Simpson
Principal