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A Message from Our Principals ...

Greetings,

As we approach March Break, with the days getting longer, and the sun feeling warmer, we can definitely see that Spring is around the corner. After the last few weeks of winter weather, we are all certainly ready for it!

On behalf of Mr. Reid, I would like to take this opportunity to wish our entire community an enjoyable and restful March Break. We hope that you take the time to recharge, doing the things you love with the people who are most important to you.

Upon returning on March 20, continue to work hard, try your best, and be respectful, responsible and kind as we head into a busy few months that lie ahead.

Have a wonderful March Break everyone.



Enthusiastic skippers!

Mr. S. Yull



Dates to Remember ...

Week of March 12—March Break

March 21— "Rock Your Socks" Junior Basketball Season—ongoing Tuesdays—Pizza Wednesdays—Art Club Thursdays—Popcorn \$2.50 Fridays—Skipping Club, Fro Yo \$4 Day 2 & 4—Checkers Club Daily— Badminton Intramurals Gr 7&8

Month of April-Battery Blitz!

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Skipping Club

Skipping club happens every Friday before school led by Ms. Urfey and Ms. Lenarduzzi. Grade 3 and 4 students gather to learn new skipping techniques and to have fun with friends. The skippers say they really enjoy learning crossovers, double under, and long rope jumping. Some participants say they were a bit nervous to learn new tricks but during their time at skipping club they have built their confidence and they are excited to learn new things. Even though the early mornings are a hard start for some of the kids (especially on a Friday!), the friends, tricks, and skipping make up for it! Skipping club is a great place to build confidence, play with friends, achieve goals, develop healthy habits and learn new things—keep it up skippers!!

~Sophie T. & Violet B.

Battery Blitz Month of April





Greenleaf will be participating in a Battery Blitz!

Through the month of April, students and families will be participating in a Battery Blitz! Students are encouraged to collect as many used batteries as possible for the month of April. This is a contest sponsored by *Call2Recycle* and *Earth Rangers*.

Since it started in 1997, Call2Recycle has diverted almost 40 million kilograms of batteries from Canadian landfills. With its partnership with Earth Rangers and schools across Canada, Call2Recyle is hoping to increase environmental stewardship by students through encouraging recycling and the reduction of waste.

We will begin our collection in April—but you can begin your battery collection at home this March Break!

"Everyone can play a role in protecting our environment, which is why it's especially inspiring to see elementary school students take the lead in cleaning up their community through the Battery Blitz Collection Contest," said David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. "This important initiative by Call2Recycle and Earth Rangers teaches students how to recycle batteries, which helps reduce waste and litter, keeping our air, land and water clean for

future generations."



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION continues....

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) schools are exciting, enriching places where children learn to explore the world, solve problems and make friends. Your child is eligible for the two-year kindergarten program in the calendar year that they turn four or five. Registration starts each year on the **first Monday in February (February 6th) at your home school**. Visit <u>Find My School</u> to find your home school.

<u>Please visit the HWDSB Kindergarten Registration site for current infor-</u> mation and online registration links.



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Art Club news coming next edition!

Sports Update

Sports at Allan A. Greenleaf have been going strong. Unfortunately for us Grade 8s, the basketball season for both senior girls and the senior boys has officially ended with the playoffs. We had a great season and a huge thank you to Ms. Little for coaching the boys and Ms. Ashworth and Ms. Tirimacco for coaching the girls. Tryouts have begun for both junior teams with the same coaches. Good luck to the junior basketball players as their season begins after March Break. Badminton intramurals have started up for Grade 7 and 8 students who wish to participate. It is a great way to have fun and try a new sport! We play at first break and are currently in our round robin stage. Thank you to Ms. Marion for running our intramurals every first break! We are very grateful for all the activities Greenleaf has to offer.

~ Daniel M



Kindergartens at RBG

We had a BLAST at the RBG! There were so many things that we learned at the RBG with so many different things to see and do.

There were many different frogs

and turtles in different structures. We saw some very colourful (bright blue, yellow, orange) frogs and learned that they are poisonous. The colours warn their predators that they are dangerous! Tadpoles were swimming around ponds—and we also saw turtles and snakes! Some of the snakes we saw were venomous! We played many different games with our friends. One of the most exciting things about the trip was the bus ride!



