# Today is Monday, December 13th, 2021 Day 2

## MISSION

Balaclava is an inclusive and engaging community where creativity and commitment to equity are utilized to optimize learning for all.

## VISION

We aspire to make the world a better place through informed, responsible, and compassionate action.

### MOTTO

When we look after ourselves and we look after one another, we all succeed.

## Land Acknowledgement

Welcome to Turtle Island. We share and take care of the land and water, with the Haudenosaunee (Ho-Den-Oh-Show-Nee) and Anishnaabe (Ah-Nish-Nah-Bay) people forever, with a good mind and a good heart.

#### Land Acknowledgement

The Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board acknowledges our presence on ancestral Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Confederacy land as determined by the Dish with One Spoon treaty.

The Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt represents the treaty relationship between the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and Anishinaabe with respect to sharing the land and resources thereon.

The intent of this agreement is for all nations sharing this territory to do so responsibly, respectfully and sustainably in perpetuity.

We respect the longstanding relationships with the local Indigenous communities, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River.



At Balaclava, we aspire to make the world a better place through informed, responsible and compassionate action. Food insecurity is a reality for many in our district. Thank you to all who have supported our Holiday Hamper preparations for families in the HWDSB. Any remaining gift cards for restaurants and or groceries can be brought to the office tomorrow morning. All donations will be collected tomorrow afternoon by the Social Work Department in order to prepare the hampers for distribution.

Every year we practice different drills to be sure we know what to do in the event of an emergency. Today we will practice a lockdown drill. Teachers will once again review the protocols to be sure everyone knows what to do and all Covid protocols will be followed to conduct this drill safely. A reminder for all that cellphones should be off and in lockers and should never be used in the event of a real emergency as this could endanger others.



**Playground rotations** 

1st NB Break

Blacktop painted games, including BB net – 2A

Gaga Ball – 4A

Climber - 7/8A

2nd NB

Blacktop painted games, including BB net – 2/3A

Gaga Ball – 4/5A

Climber - 8A



Please stand and join in singing or signing the National Anthem.

When we look after ourselves and we look after one another, we all have a great day. Let's make it a great day Balaclava!