### Today is Monday, December 6, 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.



December 6th sunset marks the end of Hannukah. Happy Hannukah to all our families of Jewish faith.

Today is the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. Gender based violence happens in our country and to eliminate it will require we all make the effort to educate ourselves to recognize this behaviour and speak up against it.

Our grounds will be quite muddy with the rain from last night. Please take time to wipe your footwear off on the mats at the entrance doors and change into indoor shoes.

Balaclava Giving Tree We need gift cards for the grocery store and restaurants \$5-\$25. Give to your home room teacher by Dec 14 2021.

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Playground rotations
1st NB Break
Blacktop painted games, including BB net – 3A
Gaga Ball – 6A
Climber – 1A
2nd NB
Blacktop painted games, including BB net – 4A
Gaga Ball – 7A
Climber – 1B
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Please take care on the climber today, it may be a little slippery with the fresh snow.

#### 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!