

September 26 – Terry Fox Run

We are excited to host our **27th Annual Terry Fox Run** on **Friday, September 26, 2025, from 2:00–3:00 p.m.** (Rain date: **Monday, September 29**). All classes are invited to participate as students walk or run around the perimeter of our school property in honour of Terry's legacy of courage and determination.

After the run, freezies and apples will be delivered to each classroom as a refreshing treat.

Reminders for students:

- Wear weather-appropriate clothing
- Bring proper footwear and sunscreen
- Bring a refillable water bottle

Please note: **pledges will not be collected at school.** If you would like to make a donation, please visit our school's fundraising page: [Balaclava PS – Terry Fox Run](#)

September 30 – Orange Shirt Day & National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

At HWDSB, we honour our relationships with the host nations, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and Six Nations of the Grand River and maintain reciprocal relationship with Hamilton's vibrant and diverse urban Indigenous communities. We hold space to respect Survivors of Residential Schools and Federal Indian Day Schools, current students, families and communities. Tuesday, September 30, 2025, is both Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Everyone is encouraged to wear orange at school and work to honour Survivors of Residential Schools and center intergenerational healing and wellness.

Athletics & Extracurriculars

- **September 22** – Our **Senior Boys** participated in the 3-Pitch Tournament. Junior boys will be participating September 25. Good luck to the teams!
- Students in **Grades 3–5** have signed up for **Cross Country** and will begin training soon. We're looking forward to cheering them on at their upcoming meet.

Meet Your Child's Teacher Evening

Save the date! On **Thursday, October 16, from 5:30–6:30 p.m.**, families are invited to join us for our Open House. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teacher and

hear about all the great learning happening in classrooms. More details will be shared closer to the date.

Lockers & Personal Belongings

A reminder to please ensure that your child's locker has a lock on it to help keep their belongings secure. We also encourage students not to bring valuables (such as electronics, money, or special items) to school, as the school cannot be responsible for lost or stolen items. Thank you for helping us keep our school safe and worry-free!

Kindergarten Artwork

Mrs. Moase's kindergarten crew has been hard at work turning paper, paint, and imagination into pure magic! We've got some future Picassos (and maybe a few Van Goghs!) in the making, enjoy a peek at their colourful creations.



We're looking forward to an exciting few weeks ahead and hope to see many of you at our upcoming events. Thank you for your continued support in making our school a welcoming and vibrant place for all students.