

Billy Green Elementary School

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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Dear families,

We are excited to welcome students back to class for the 2025-26-school year.

We are thrilled to see students, staff and families again. Each new year is a new opportunity for students to reach their full potential, make new connections and learn and grow with their school community.

A friendly reminder that the first day of school will be **Tuesday September 2, 2025.** Our first day of school for our FDK students is **Wednesday September 3, 2025**.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Meet the Staff: Wednesday September 10, 2025
- PA Day: Friday September 17th, 2025

<u>Communication between Home & School</u>: We invite families to keep up with communications from HWDSB by <u>subscribing to email updates</u> or <u>following HWDSB on social media</u>. <u>Important school updates</u> are always shared by school messenger and posted to our website. Please be sure to place our email address as a safe sender so that emails are not filtered into your junk mail. Also, ensure to subscribe to updates from our website at <u>Billy Green Elementary School</u>. To subscribe, scroll to the bottom of the page and follow the prompts.

We will continue to share school monthly updates through our **Gator Gazette** that is shared via email and posted on the school website. Please be sure to take a read of each issue so that you are familiar with the comings and goings of our school community. If you have school-specific questions, please reach out at 905-573-7330 or by email at billygreen@hwdsb.on.ca

Here are some important points to remember as students prepare for the start of the school year:

<u>Billy Green Spirit Wear</u>: This year we will again be offering the opportunity for families to purchase Billy Green Spirit wear. The deadline to purchase is **October 3rd**, **2025**. A link to the items available can be found here:

WEBSITE: @schooltee.com ACCESS CODE: BILL.HAM

<u>HWDSB School Device Policy and Code of Conduct:</u> A reminder that we continue to promote expectations for reducing distractions and respectful interactions throughout the school day. This includes **prohibiting the use of personal devices** unless permitted by the educator for instructional





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purposes. For information about HWDSB's Code of Conduct and Reducing Distractions in classrooms, please click here: Reducing Distractions in Classrooms and Schools | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board

<u>Volunteers always needed</u>: We welcome our Billy Green Community of caregivers and parents to support our school by volunteering their time for school events, trips and more. Please note that all volunteers require a Vulnerable Sector Check. Once you have received your vulnerable sector check, please reach out to the school for next steps.

<u>School Council Membership</u>: Our School Council is a powerful voice of caregivers and parents who support curriculum and instructional programming at the school. This group meets every second Tuesday of each month. We invite you to join us for our first meeting where elections will also take place on **Tuesday September 30**th at **6:30pm** in the school library. If you have questions about this opportunity, please do not hesitate to reach out to me by email at <u>sbeatric@hwdsb.on.ca</u>.

To see the **2025-2026 school year calendar**, please visit <u>School Year Calendar | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board</u>

Please find **2025-2026 Transportation information** here: <u>Hamilton Wentworth Student Transportation</u> Services

We know students can feel a range of feelings leading up to the start of the school year, but we are here to support their back-to-school experience. If you would like to connect with me in more detail to discuss your child(ren)'s return to classrooms and learning spaces, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Susanna Beatrice Principal, Billy Green Elementary School

