



THE CHEDOKE CHRONICLE

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**Friday,
September 6,
2019**

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See our Calendar on our Website for Upcoming Events!

Dear Chedoke Community,

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we begin the first week of school, there is some key information we wish to communicate with you.

Agendas

Each student in Grade 1-8 will receive a school agenda. The school agenda is a valuable tool we rely on to ensure communication between home and school. Please take time to review the General Information section at the front of the agenda to become familiar with our school procedures and the code of conduct that supports our students. There also tips for parents throughout the agenda, as well as a weekly goal setting section. Research shows the importance of setting goals to develop intrinsic motivation and achieve a greater degree of success at something.

Lates and Absences

We know there are times when students will be late or absent beyond their control: sickness, appointments, etc. However, it is important we continue to encourage students to be on time and in school as much as possible. Being late or absent not only interrupts your child's learning but the learning of others as well. We encourage everyone to sign up for SchoolMessenger at <http://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. It is our preferred way for you to communicate to us your child's absences and lates.

Payments to the School

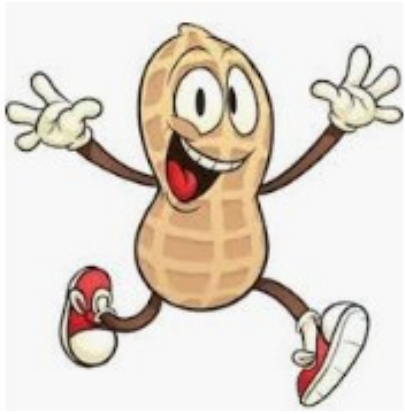
Throughout the year there will be many opportunities for you to purchase items for your child. Collecting and counting cash is a time consuming process and sometimes children lose money given to them. We encourage all our families to sign up for School Cash OnLine at <https://hwdsb.schoolcashonline.com>. It is an easy way for money to be transferred from your bank account to ours. If you need assistance doing this, we are planning to offer 1-1 help on our Meet the Teacher Night (September 12th).

Neighborhood

Please be respectful of our neighbours and help to keep everyone safe. Obey all traffic and parking signs. We are a school that values safety and community.

Thanks!

WELCOME BACK



PEANUT AND TREE NUT ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL

- DO NOT SHARE FOOD
- WASH HANDS AFTER SNACK AND MEAL TIMES
- ASK QUESTIONS IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF "SAFE" FOODS
- READ ALL INGREDIENT LABELS

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US PROVIDE A
SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR FRIENDS
WITH FOOD ALLERGIES!



MEDICAL ALERTS

If your child has ASTHMA, EPILEPSY, DIABETES or is ANAPHYLACTIC....please notify our office immediately!!!!

If interested in our Roots of Empathy program.....please contact the school



Do you have **a baby who will be approximately 2 – 4 months at the beginning of the school year?** Would you like to volunteer with your baby in a Roots of Empathy classroom? We promise it will be rewarding for you and your baby, and for the students who will discover their shared humanity in your baby, themselves and each other.

VOLUNTEERING AT CHEDOKE!!

Please find enclosed the Guidelines from the Volunteer Handbook for the HWDSB.

If you are interested in Volunteering at Chedoke School, please refer to the requirements needed.

We welcome new Volunteers and welcome back our Volunteers already on file with us!

The office will support you in any way we can! Please read below:

How Do I Volunteer?

Let a school principal know that you want to volunteer. Principals are responsible for finding volunteers who meet the needs of their students. To find volunteers, principals consider the skills, knowledge and backgrounds of applicants. HWDSB listens to and responds to students interests whenever possible.

What Do I Need To Do To Volunteer?

Talk with the principal about your interests and expertise.

Complete a mandatory Vulnerable Sector Screening before you begin volunteering through Hamilton Police Services.

How To Complete a Vulnerable Sector Screening:

1. Complete the PDF form found on the Hamilton Police Service website:
<http://www.hamiltonpolice.on.ca/HPS/Services/Records/Criminal+Record+Check.htm>
2. Bring the completed form to Records Business Centre at 155 King William Street in Hamilton
3. Or complete online at: www.policelutions.ca/checks/services/hamilton
 - After receiving your police clearance, show the original to the principal to review. Keep the original document, which is valid for three years.
 - Each year, your school principal will ask you to complete an Offence Declaration form to declare any Criminal Code convictions since the last Vulnerable Sector screen.
 - Provide two references that you permit the school to contact.
 - Once accepted, complete an orientation training session.

Volunteer Roles and Responsibilities:

As a Volunteer, I:	As a Volunteer, I am NOT:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide new opportunities, teach new skills and build knowledge for students in HWDSB • Strengthen relationships with the school community and students • Maintain confidence of students' personal Information that is shared while working with students • Work with school staff to ensure that my work respects staff Collective Agreements • Act as an HWDSB representative by following Board policies, and codes for dress and behaviour • Report incidents of misbehaviour and bullying to staff advisor or school principal • Work with my principal who may assign further duties 	<p>Responsible for: Discipline of students Evaluation of students Identification/diagnosis of student learning strengths and difficulties</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to be the sole supervisor for some Physical Education/Sports Athletics and need to work with a Staff Advisor. For example: A Staff Advisor must be present for Hamilton-Wentworth Interscholastic Athletic Council (HWIAC), Southern Ontario Secondary Schools Association (SOSSA), Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) competitions • A Staff Advisor will accompany and be responsible for teams when participating in out-of-town or overnight competitions

Should any issues arise that cannot be resolved, the Principal holds the responsibility to find a more suitable placement or notify the volunteer of their dismissal.

Can I Drive Students As A Volunteer?

*****Driving students is not an expectation of volunteering. Driving students is considered on a case by case basis.*****

Should driving students be required, the school will provide a Volunteer Driver Form, which indicates agreement to drive students. The principal provides final approval. A driver must:

- Be 18 years of age or older
- Hold a valid Ontario Class G License
- Meet HWDSB's required insurance amount

For more information, please consult your school principal.

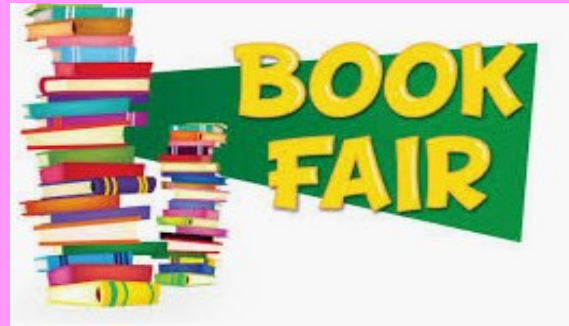
If I have an accident, am I covered under HWDSB insurance?

Volunteer drivers are not covered under HWDSB's Fleet Automobile insurance. If you are in an accident while driving students, you should contact your personal insurance company.

HWDSB's negligence insurance will apply to volunteers participating in a school-sponsored activity. This insurance does not include a loss-of-income provision if an injured volunteer loses time at work.

Volunteers are not provided with Workers' Safety Insurance Board (WSIB) or accident insurance through HWDSB.

HWDSB's liability insurance will protect volunteers supervising students for in school or co-curricular activities



September 12th
5:00pm-6:30pm



School Council
September 17th—6:00pm



REMINDER—NO SCHOOL
P.A. Day September 20, 2019

PIZZA DAYS & SCHOOL STORE

Will start up in October.....dates to
come....stay tuned



Mark Degner
Principal

Suzie Milinovich
Vice-Principal