

NOVEMBER



COLLEGIATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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November 2025
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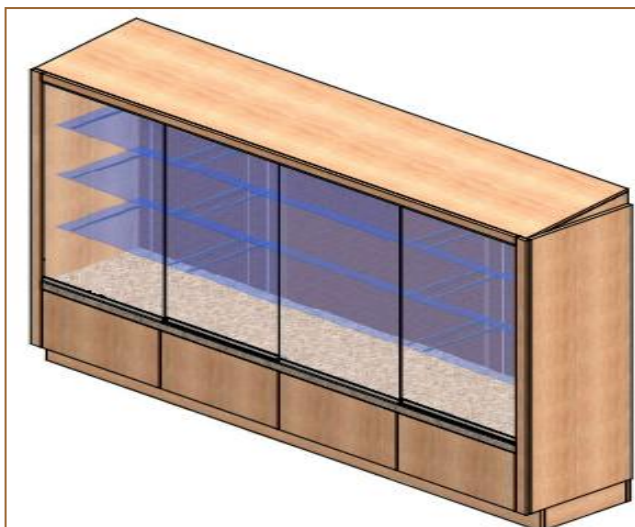


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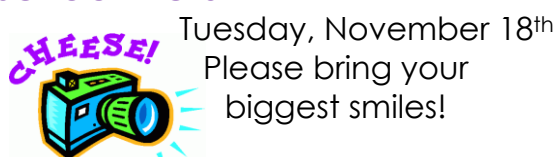
A MESSAGE FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL



With the effort of our Collegiate families and community over the past two years of successful fundraising, School Council is pleased to share that our goal of a display/trophy case is now under construction. We are thrilled this project is being done with cooperation with our Technology Education staff & students at Orchard Park and Council will continue to share the progress and image(s) as the display is being built!

School Council email address is collegiatesc@hwsb.on.ca and will be read by our Council Chairs.

SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKE DAY



Tuesday, November 18th
Please bring your
biggest smiles!

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY DAY – No School

Friday, November 21st

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS & PROGRESS REPORTS

Student Progress Reports will be going home Tuesday, November 18th. Parent-Teacher Interviews will take place on Thursday, November 20th pm or Friday, November 21st.



BELL TIMES 2025 – 2026

School Grounds Open	8:30
Entry Bell	8:45
1 st Nutritional Break	10:33 – 11:13
2 nd Nutritional Break	12:49 – 1:29
Dismissal Bell	3:05
School Grounds Close	3:20



REMEMBRANCE DAY CELEBRATION

On Tuesday, November 11th the students will participate in a Remembrance Day celebration.



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING



Our next School Council meeting is Monday, Feb. 2nd at 6:00 p.m. in the Library. Everyone is welcome to join us!

INDOOR SHOES

As the weather begins to change, we ask that all students bring a pair of indoor shoes that will be used throughout the school to keep the messy weather outside. We need to work together to keep our classroom carpets clean and in good condition, so our children do not sit on wet, muddy carpets. We thank you for your support!



SUBSCRIBE TO OUR e-NEWSLETTER!

1. Type the following into your browser:
<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/collegiate/newsletters/>
2. Click SUBSCRIBE at far right of screen
3. Enter your email address

GRIZZLY VOICES: Student Council GIVING TREE & FOOD DRIVE

Collegiate is participating in a Giving Tree and Food Drive.



Please help by donating new items for our giving tree such as hats, scarves, mittens, socks, etc. and canned foods, pasta, etc., for our Food Drive.



Our Giving Tree and Food Drive will run until December 12th.

SCHOOL SAFETY



Parents, just a reminder that the front of the school building



has **No Parking** and **No Stopping** signs. Several students cross at the crosswalk, and we are having parents/guardians stopping their cars, making and creating an unsafe environment for our students. This is a safety concern for our students.

****Vehicular traffic in School bus loading zones is prohibited.**



Please take every possible opportunity to show appreciation and respect for the service that school bus drivers provide. Your support is appreciated.

Thank you for keeping the safety of our students a priority.

CLASSROOM KLEENEX BOXES



As we continue with allergy season and move into cold and flu season, we would appreciate if all students could bring in a box of

Kleenex to add to our classroom supply! Tissues are in great demand at school and we appreciate your support. Let's reduce the spread of germs and always use a tissue when needed. Thank you!

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Today's Family Program will be running from 7:00am – 8:45am & 3:05 pm – 6:00 pm.

Families can register for both the before and after school program, and the early learning and child care program, by [clicking here](#).

One of our placement team members will connect with families once they register to confirm spaces. Families can connect with team members at childcare@todaysfamily.ca

Should families not have access to technology, they can call us at complete the registration process at (905) 574 – 9344 ext. 112.

ATTENDANCE CHECK – ABSENT OR LATE

If your child is absent or late, please use either...



Safe Arrival Program – by website, app, or phone

- Learn more about Safe Arrival at www.schoolmessenger.com/safearrival

Call the School Directly

- Call the school at 905-662-2990. State your child's name, grade, teacher, reason, and length of absence.

These services are available 24 hours, seven days a week.

HWDSB

Snow-clearing at HWDSB Schools

A responsibility shared by
Board staff, contractors
and the City of Hamilton



HWDSB Staff

Clear, salt and/or sand...

- walkways from the city sidewalk to the school
- school steps and portable steps
- walkways to the portables
- ramps to schools and portables
- area outside entrances and Fire Exit Doors
- Fire Exit stairs & ramps



HWDSB Contractors

After 5cm+ of snow, will...

- Plow parking lots and sidewalks when HWDSB Facilities staff deem it necessary
- Salt and sand the parking lot before school starts
- If required, Head Caretakers may also salt or sand parts of the parking lot



City of Hamilton

Responsible for clearing...

- Snow and ice from sidewalks directly in front of schools, a top priority for the City.
- **Note:** It may take up to 24 hours after a snowfall for sidewalks to be cleared. Report a sidewalk fronting a school in need of clearing at **905-546-CITY (2489)**

What about playgrounds?

Playgrounds **are not** plowed or cleared. Head Caretakers inspect playgrounds and sand and/or salt areas made slippery by changing temperatures.

Students, take extra caution when walking or playing on school property that may be slippery. Principals concerned about weather or playground conditions may hold indoor recesses and lunch/nutrition breaks.



Benefits of outdoor play

Time spent outdoors is an integral part of the school day. There are great benefits when children experience **fresh air, exercise and time spent time outside**. Outdoor play is also a break from the structure of the classroom.

Preparing for the outdoors

It's important that children come to school **prepared for the cold**. This means boots, mittens/gloves, hats and even extra mittens and socks in case they are needed.

When is it too cold for outdoor play?

Principals decide whether to send students outside for recess. HWDSB asks Principals to follow the City of Hamilton guideline that we stay inside when it's at or **below -15C, or -20C with wind chill**.



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or -20C with
wind chill*

Learn more

Please direct questions or concerns about winter outdoor play to your school Principal.

Parents should check www.hamiltonschoolbus.ca
for any potential transportation delays.

HPL Programs November

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Branch Hours Mon-Thurs: 9am - 7pm Fridays: 9am - 6pm Saturdays: 9am - 5pm Closed Sundays	Blue = Adult Orange = Children Green = Teen Purple = Everyone Registration required = ®	Call to Register for Sit to Be Fit 905-768-4488 			1 Family BINGO 10:30-11:30am French Conversation Circle 2-3pm Dynamic Dinos 2:30-3:30pm
3 Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30pm	4 LEGO Build and Play 3:30-4:30pm 	5 Dinosaur Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11am-11:45am Drop-In Tech Help 3-4pm	6 Teen Video Gaming 11am-1pm Knit for a Cause 3-4pm Dynamic Dinos 4-5pm 	7 Music for Babies and Toddlers 11:30am-12pm 	8 Make and Create 10-11am French Conversation Circle 2-3pm Movies For All- Jurassic World: Rebirth (2025) PG 2pm
10 Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Relaxation and Movement 11:30am-12:30pm Live Music: Orchard Park Guitar Class Ensemble 12:30-1:15pm Young at Heart 1:30-2:30pm Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30pm	11 LEGO Build and Play 3:30-4:30pm Craft at HPL - Watercolour ® 5:30-6:30pm 	12 Family Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11am-11:45am 	13 Teen Video Gaming 11am-1pm Knit for a Cause 3-4pm Make and Create 4-5pm 	14 Make Art 11:30am-1pm 	15 Jigsaw Puzzle Swap 10am - 4pm Dynamic Dinos 10-11am French Conversation Circle 2-3pm Craft Cart 2:30-3:30pm
17 Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30pm 	18 LEGO Build and Play 3:30-4:30pm 	19 Family Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11am-11:45am Drop-In Tech Help 3-4pm 	20 Teen Video Gaming 11am-1pm Knit for a Cause 3-4pm Books Out Loud 4-5pm 	21 Library Mini Golf 12-1pm Family Movie - How to Train Your Dragon (2025) PG 2pm 	22 Make and Create - Fingerprint Winter Tree Craft 10-11am Live Holiday Music: Peter Banting Swingtet 1-2pm French Conversation Circle 2-3pm Craft Cart 2-3pm
24 Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30PM	25 LEGO Build and Play 3:30-4:30pm 	26 Family Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11am-11:45am 	27 Teen Video Gaming 11am-1pm Book Club - Anxious People by Fredrik Backman 2-3pm Knit for a Cause 3-4pm STEAM Learning Lab 4-5pm	28 Music for Babies and Toddlers 11:30am-12pm 	29 Craft at HPL - Macrame Wreath Ornament ® 10-11am French Conversation Circle 2-3pm Family Movies- Elio (2025) G 2pm