

Dalewood Golden Hawks

March-
April, 2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,/Guardians:

It's difficult to believe we're approaching March Break. The year is moving so quickly. I can't quite believe we're starting to prepare for EQAO and year-end trips.

March 2, Professional Development Day On March 2 we looked at our Continuous Learning and Improvement Process. This process involves looking at student learning needs and skill gaps and how to address them. This is a process that occurs throughout the year and given the different needs of students in each class, the skills and learning needs vary across classes and will be addressed differently.

We also started a process of creating mission, vision, and values statements for Dalewood school. This process will continue over the course of this year and into the early part of next year as we continue to solicit input from staff, students, and parents/guardians.

Drills We have carried out Lockdown, Hold and Secure, and Shelter in Place drills over the past few weeks. They have all gone well. Fire drills and a bomb threat drill are scheduled for the spring.

Movie/Book/Poem/TV series /article reviews: Would you like to let the Dalewood community know about a movie, book, poem, article, or V show that you have read/watched? If so, please send me a review and we'll put it in the newsletter. You can email it to me at egrattan@hwsb.on.ca I've included my own movie review at the end of this newsletter. Happy writing.

Movie Review

Mr. Grattan

Movie Review

Dunkirk

Despite perhaps resonating more with a British than a North American audience, the movie *Dunkirk* has proven to be popular around the world, in the process becoming the highest-grossing Second World War movie of all time. Writer and director Christopher Nolan tried to avoid a lot of the drama and sentimentality movies like this often engender, instead attempting to offer a more realist, documentary-style approach, with sparse dialogue and a focus on visuals rather than character development. The film looks at the evacuation of Dunkirk in May-June 1940 — a massive endeavor that saw over 300,000 Allied troops rescued from the beaches of Dunkirk after Churchill had estimated about only 30,000 could be saved — from land, air, and sea. The “storylines” converge and provide an interesting perspective on the evacuation. I'm not sure what I was expecting from the movie, but I did leave it feeling empty and unsure, as if I had missed the point of it all. Maybe, as [Kevin Maher](#) in [The Times](#) said: [*Dunkirk*] is 106 clamorous minutes of big-screen bombast that's so concerned with its own spectacle and scale that it neglects to deliver the most crucial element—drama." He also suggested that *Dunkirk* felt like a [Call of Duty](#) video game. I think he may be right. Having said that, Maher (along with me) is in the minority, with most critics giving the movie two thumbs up.

Noon Hour Art Workshop

We continue to run our very popular Noon Hour Art Workshop every Friday.

Also, we would like to encourage parents and students to view the many great artworks on display in the hallways.



Article copied from Public Health Services

When should I keep my child home from school?

Your children should stay home if they...



- vomit or have diarrhea through the night or in the morning (within the last 24 hours)
- have a temperature of 38° C (100.4° F) or higher. See the doctor if fever continues
- have any discharge from the ear or an earache. Go to the doctor same day
- have pink eyes or yellow discharge from the eyes. See the doctor
- have a runny nose with thick mucous, a night cough, or any continuous cough
- have a stomachache or headache. Go to the doctor if symptoms continue or happen often
- have a sore throat
- have a toothache. See a dentist as soon as possible
- have a skin rash of unknown cause. Go to the doctor.

Be sure your current home, work, and emergency contact phone numbers are on file at the school.

Call the school when your children are absent.

For more information:

call Telehealth Ontario 1.866.797.0000

visit the City of Hamilton, Public Health Services website

www.hamilton.ca/HealthandSocialServices.

Sports Shorts

Curricular.....

Dalewood students will be starting human growth and development and our net/wall games/ These units will run until the middle of May. After these units, the students will be starting our striking and fielding and target games.

Extracurricular.....

The boys and girls junior basketball teams have begun. The regular season will start the week after the March break.

Swim team and orienteering will be held in late April. Please listen to the announcements for when the tryouts and the practices will be held.

Intramural Badminton.....

Any students who would like to participate in Intramural badminton are asked to listen to the announcements. The season will run from beginning of April to the beginning of May.

FAMILIES WORRYING LESS TOGETHER

A PROGRAM FOR PARENTS/PRIMARY CAREGIVERS OF KIDS WHOSE WORRIES GET THE BEST OF THEM.

INFORMATION SESSION NIGHT

April 17, 2018

6:30-7:30pm

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board, Education Centre

20 Education Court, Room 180

Hamilton Ontario L8N 3L1



If you are a parent/primary caregiver of a student in Grade 3-6 who is excessively shy, or has intense worries and fears, come learn about the “Families Worrying Less Together” program. This program will give you practical strategies to help your child learn to copy differently

THIS IS A PROGRAM FOR PARENTS AND PRIMARY CAREGIVERS CHILDREN DO NOT ATTEND

This program is offered by the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Social Work Dept.

**P L E A S E S T A Y I N T O U C H W I T H U P T O D A T E
E V E N T S B Y C H E C K I N G D A L E W O O D W E B S I T E**



Dalewood School is happy to sponsor any parents who are wanting to attend the following workshop **MATH FOR MOMS AND DADS (HOW TO TUTOR YOUR CHILDREN).**

Workshops are being offered at Westdale Secondary School (700 Main St. W, Hamilton ON L8S 1A5)

Workshop Dales are being held on the following dates:

Saturday March 24 9am—12pm

Saturday April 21 9am—12pm

Thursday April 5 6pm—9pm

Thursday May 3 6pm—9pm

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE AT DALEWOOD SCHOOL FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

GRADE 8 GRADUATION NEWS

Parents of grade 8 students should look for graduation information to come home soon.

Block your Calendars—Grade 8 Graduation is June 21 @4:30 at Westdale Highschool



OTTAWA SCHOOL TRIP

Forms went home the first week of March and they, plus a \$200 payment were due on Thursday March 29th. School Cash Online is available; cash and cheques can be handed in to their Core teacher. We will send home another update in late April/early May indicating the remaining payment amount, as well as each student's bus number, chaperone and a packing list.



FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

Friendly reminder to please call into the office if your child is going to be late or absent from school. You can also leave a message on the office voice mail

Pizza Days

The next series of pizza days for pre-ordering will be the week of May 22-June 19. We recommend that Pizza orders be done through school cash online.

TCBY & POPCORN SALES

The School Store is selling TCBY Frozen Yogurt for \$2.00 and Popcorn for \$1.50 on Thursdays. This is available for all students to purchase at lunchtime outside of the School Office.





Swim Team:

The Dalewood Swim Team is now starting tryouts. Practices begin April 5 at Dalewood Rec. Centre. The practice times are: April 5, 11, 18, 25, 26 @Dalewood Pool
Times are 3:15-4:14 pm.

The swim meet is Monday, April 30 at 9:15-12noon at McMaster pool.

Parents are welcome to join us to walk over to the pool from Dalewood school and cheer us on at the meet!

At the meet, team members will swim in up to four races depending on their practice times. All team members will swim in at least one race.

We hope to take everyone on the team who tries out. Please be sure though that your child can swim at least 50m (two lengths of the pool) without stopping; otherwise, it won't be safe to be on the team.

Please have your child get a permission form from Mr. Martindale or Ms. Croke.



Hamilton Wentworth District School Board and its Parent Involvement Committee invite you to attend.....

PROFILING VOLUNTEER EXCELLENCE 2018
AN OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION OF HWDSB VOLUNTEERS

All school volunteers are welcome. Registration is required.

Details: Tuesday, April 17, 2018 - 6pm-8pm

Remarks at 6:30pm

Location : HWDSB Education Centre, 20 Education Court, Hamilton.

Register: Please complete the online form at <http://goo.gl/forms/73oSczNRegEWDa1I1>.

Questions: please call 905-527-5092 x0

Registration Deadline is 12pm Tuesday April 10, 2018.

YEARBOOKS!

Dalewood Yearbooks are in development! If you have taken some pictures of teams or events from this year that would be good to include in this year's Yearbook, please email them to Mr. Martindale (pmartind@hwdsb.on.ca). Look for more information about price and timelines for buying a Yearbook later in April!