



# Dr. J. Edgar Davey Elementary School

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## November 2023

### Parent Portal Reminder

Friendly reminder to please log in to your Parent Portal account to ensure we have current and correct contact information. If updates are needed, please call the school.

Other forms that are required to be completed located within the Parent Portal are:

- Verification Form
- Digital Tools Permission
- Media Consent Agreement
- Nutrition Break Consent
- Elementary emergency school closure

To access these forms, parents log into the Parent Portal and click on "Forms". On the left side you will see a screen with all the forms available to choose from.

### Social Studies Curriculum Updates -2023

[Elementary social studies, history and geography: a guide for parents \(gov.on.ca\)](https://www.gov.on.ca/elementary-social-studies-history-and-geography-a-guide-for-parents)

Effective September 2023 the Social Studies curriculum has been revised in Grades 1-3, 6 and now includes Indigenous and Holocaust learning.

### NEW Language Curriculum - 2023

A new language curriculum was released; see the parent guide below for more information.

<https://www.dcp.edu.gov.on.ca/en/language-guide>

### Soup Day

The Rotary Club has begun their monthly soup day at Dr Davey. We are so grateful for their support.

### Athletics

Spectators are welcome at both home and away games; however, all students must be accompanied by their parent(s) to be admitted into the building to watch the games.

### Boundary Setting

We are teaching students to set boundaries and ask for a change in behaviour.

*I feel \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_. What I need is \_\_\_\_\_.  
i.e., I feel frustrated when you are talking over other students because it means you aren't listening. What I need is for you to listen when someone else is talking.*



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## **Snow**

As the temperatures change and the forecast includes snow it is important for students to be aware that at school, snow stays on the ground. Throwing and kicking snow is dangerous and can result in serious injury. We ask that you please partner with us and reinforce this school rule.

## **Cold Weather**

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

Depending on the season, preparing for outdoor play in Canada can mean anything from applying sunscreen to wearing mittens and a hat. During winter, it's important that children come to school prepared for the cold. Students should wear boots, water resistant mittens/gloves and hats. It's a good idea to pack extra mittens, socks, etc. in case they are needed.

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

## **Terry Fox Fundraiser**

Dr Davey school raised over \$800.00! Great job!

## **Dogs on School Property**

Our school community includes many families who are dog owners. We know it is nice to take the dog for a walk when you drop-off and/or pick-up your child at school. We remind anyone who is walking a dog that it must be on a leash. Individuals with dogs on a leash are asked to keep them distanced from children, staff, other parents/guardians, and other dogs. Some children may be afraid of dogs, and the behaviour of a dog can be unpredictable. Service animals are exempt from this expectation.



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## EQAO

Students currently in Grade 4 and 7, that wrote EQAO in the Spring, will have their results sent home on November 13 with the Progress Report.

### Grade 3

Percentage of Fully Participating Students at or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) for the 2022–2023 school year

Mathematics  
**16%**

Reading  
**33%**

Writing  
**26%**

### Grade 6

Percentage of Fully Participating Students at or Above the Provincial Standard (Levels 3 and 4) for the 2022–2023 school year

Mathematics  
**6%**

Reading  
**47%**

Writing  
**43%**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Nov 13 Progress Reports go home
- Nov 16-17 Progress Report Interviews
- Nov 17 PA Day
- Nov 21 School Council 9:10-10:10am

## Attachments

Snow-Clearing at HWDSB Schools