

Weekly Reminders from Earl Kitchener School...

Monday, March 18th: First Day Back To School

Thursday, March 21st: World Down Syndrome Day

Lunch Lady (for students that have ordered)

Friday, March 22nd : Pizza Day (for students that have ordered)

Other



World Down Syndrome Day

Thursday, March 21st is World Down Syndrome Day, and to mark this day, we are asking everyone to **“Rock Your Socks”!** Wear bright, colourful, mismatched, or extra socks, to help encourage conversation about diversity, uniqueness, inclusion and acceptance. Please visit the following website for more information on this day. <https://www.worlddownsyndromeday2.org/>

*****Child Safety After School*****

Once children have been released from school, it is extremely important that they **DO NOT** play in the parking lot or on top of the shed. Children are not to be playing on the snowbanks in the parking lot, or sliding between the cars, as cars are constantly moving during that time. Please discuss this with your child to ensure that they understand how dangerous this is. Thank you.



Telling Tales Family Literacy Events

On Thursday, April 4th, we will be hosting two Telling Tales Family Literacy Events.

Author Melanie Florence will be presenting at 3:45pm

Author Jennifer Mook-Sang will be presenting at 6:30pm

Join us in the school gym for one, or both events! See the attached flyer for more information. You can also email ekschoolcouncil@gmail.com if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!

[Melanie Florence Flyer EK.pdf](#)

[Jennifer Mook-Sang Flyer EK-1.pdf](#)



Active and Sustainable Transportation – Parent Engagement

The committee that is looking at creating a parent engagement (PE) strategy on promoting active and sustainable transportation is holding a **FREE** workshop for all parents on March 21, 6:30 to 8:30, snacks provided, at the Nicholas Mancini Centre (behind the Cathedral near King and Dundurn). Please see the link below for additional information, and to register for the event.

Parents, you can help get more kids walking and wheeling to and from school in Hamilton. Come out and work with other Hamilton parents and professionals. The PE strategy is for all of Hamilton – Public and Catholic School Boards - so please feel free to also share with any other

parents / guardians / teachers in other neighbourhoods / schools who may want to attend to share input.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/active-sustainable-school-travel-parent-engagement-strategy-workshop-tickets-57008676486>

Kindergarten Registration for 2019/2020 School Year

Kindergarten registration began on Monday, February 4, 2019 for the 2019/2020 school year. Please visit the HWDSB website for on-line registration information, as well as in-person registration details. Please be sure to read all information, to ensure that you have all documentation that is required prior to registering your child.



Indoor Phys-Ed Shoes

With the colder, wet weather here, please send students to school with an extra pair of dry, proper Phys-Ed shoes to change into. It is important to keep everyone safe, and our new gym floor clean and in good repair. Thank you! Mme McColman



Inclement Weather

As the winter weather is now upon us, please remember that school inclement weather policies are outlined on the school board website at www.hwdsb.on.ca. Please understand that with the winter weather, busses will likely run behind schedule on some days. You can check the school board website under “transportation” for updates as they come in.



Annie Rehearsals

Annie rehearsals have started for the grade 3, 4 and 5 cast members. Stay tuned for any updates as they happen.

Volunteers

We have many class trips and events being planned over the next few months, and we will be needing parent volunteers to help out. Please ensure that you have a current, valid police check on file with the school office, so that you are able to participate. Please visit the following website for information on obtaining your vulnerable sector screening.

<http://www.policeresolutions.ca/checks/services/hamilton/index.php>



Pizza and Milk

To add an order to either pizza (Grades K-5), or milk (Grades 1-5), please contact Danielle at ekmilkpizza@gmail.com, or 289-339-3097.

UPCOMING

Thursday, April 4th: Telling Tales Family Literacy Event (see above for details)