



Weekly Update June 17-21, 2024



Please ensure you go to the EK website, as well as the HWDSB website, and hit the “Subscribe” button so that you will receive notices as they are posted.



Kindergarten Registration

Registration is open on-line for kindergarten registration. Children born in 2019 are eligible to enroll for JK starting in September. Students that are currently in JK do not have to re-register for SK.

If you know any families that have school age children, please also encourage them to register as soon as possible, so that we will have accurate numbers for the Fall.

Kindergarten orientation for new JK students will be May 16th, and students must be registered in order to attend.

Lockdown Drill

We will be conducting a Lockdown Drill on Tuesday, June 18th at 9:15am. Educators talk students through expectations using age appropriate ways to ensure no undo stress or anxiety.



Last Day of School

The last day of school for students will be Thursday, June 27th.

Report Cards

Report cards will be going home on Wednesday, June 26.



Class Placement

All HWDSB Elementary Schools will now be required to follow the same protocol for this. NO lass information and/or teacher assignments will be communicated to families prior to the end of the current school year, and this information will be available via the Parent Portal the last week of August (the week of August 26th).

School Cash Online



Starting in September 2024, all payments for trips etc., will **only** be accepted through School Cash Online. Cash/cheque payments will no longer be accepted. If you are not already set up, please go to schoolcashonline.com and get your student(s) registered. Please ensure you put Hamilton Wentworth District School Board (not HWDSB). Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the school.



Grade 5 Celebration

The EK Grade 5 Farewell Celebration is scheduled for Tuesday, June 25th. Information will be sent home directly to all grade 5 families with all of the details.



Play Day

Earl Kitchener annual Play Day will be held on Wednesday, June 26th. This will be an all day event, and will be outside. Please ensure students are dressed appropriately (running shoes, hats), are wearing sunscreen, and bring a water bottle. A change of clothes is also highly recommended for all grades, as water will be involved!

Parking - Urgent

We continue to have issues with parking during pick up and drop off. Please understand that child safety is THE MOST important thing. The only acceptable options are parking **legally** on the street, or walking from a further distance. Under no circumstances should cars be parking on the sidewalk, or parking ANYWHERE on school property (this includes by the Homewood side fence – ONLY for maintenance vehicles for school). Most families are within walking distance, however, should you choose to drive, you MUST ONLY park in legal parking areas. All families are expected to adhere to this.



PIANO LESSONS AT EARL KITCHENER SCHOOL

Registration is now open for in-school piano lessons beginning in September 2024. Lessons take place once a week during school hours and are on a semi-private basis. Students must have a piano or a full-sized keyboard with 88 weighted keys at home. Please note that a full school-year commitment to lessons is required when registering.

Available spaces are limited. If you would like more information, please contact Susan Chambers-Stothart at susan.chambersstothart@gmail.com



Lost & Found

Any items not claimed will once again be donated to charity on **Wednesday, June 26th**. Please ensure that you have checked the lost and found prior to that date.