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## May 2019 Newsletter


### UPCOMING EVENTS


- May 1 Hamilton Reg. Indian Centre Trip - Gr. 7/8
- May 1 - 15 Cram-a-Cruiser
- May 2 Pizza Day
- May 3 Disney Day / Star Wars Day
- May 6-10 Scholastic Book Fair (9:30 AM - 3:00 PM)
- May 8 Open House / Art Show / BBQ / Book Fair
- May 13 McMaster Athletic Ctr Trip (2/3, 3/4A, 3/4B, 4/5)
- May 15 Pita orders and money due
- May 16 Last Pizza Day of the Year
- May 20 Victoria Day Holiday (No School)
- May 21- Ride Smart Bike Program (Grades 4 - 7) 
- May 21- EQAO
- June 2
- May 22 Welcome to Kindergarten Open House (new registrations for Sept. 2019 only)
- May 22 Hamilton Reg. Indian Centre Trip - Gr. 7/8
- May 23 McQueston Urban Farm Trip - Banks, Gilchrist
- May 24 Destination College Trip - Gr. 7's
- May 27 Pita Day
- May 29 Codefest Trip
- May 29 Glendale Orientation - Gr. 8's
- June 4 Special Olympics
- June 7 P.A. Day - No School


### OPEN HOUSE, ART SHOW, BBQ, and BOOK FAIR


Be sure to come out for this year's Open House on **Wednesday, May 8 from 4:00-5:30 PM.** In addition to visiting your child's classroom, you won't want to miss the following:

⇒ **BBQ** - We will be selling hot dogs (\$2), pop (\$1), & juice (\$0.50) 

⇒ **Art Show** - We are showcasing the beautiful artwork from all of our classes 

⇒ **Our draw for prizes** - Students who get their 'passport' stamped at all events can enter in a draw for a prize! 

⇒ **Scholastic Book Fair** - A great selection of books available for purchase for your child or their class (Cash, Debit, Credit only) 

⇒ **Photo Op** - Take a spring themed family photo. 

### STAFF CHANGES

We would like to thank Mrs. Fidanza for her many years of hard work at Bagshaw and wish her well as she moves to her new school. Please welcome Ms. Harrison, who has started as our new Office Administrator.

### NEW! .....SAFEARRIVAL PROGRAM

**1-844-506-4350 / [go.schoolmessenger.ca](http://go.schoolmessenger.ca)**

On April 23 the HWDSB rolled out a new program which gives parents more ways to report a child's absence. Now you can notify us by telephone, mobile app or the web. To sign up, download the School Messenger app or sign up at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>. With the SafeArrival program, the parent(s)/guardian(s) of any student with an unexplained absence will be contacted by the automated system throughout the day until the absence is explained. Parents/guardians may respond to the prompts of the phone call or contact the school directly. If you report your child's absence in advance using either the SafeArrival toll-free number of 1-844-506-4350, the website or the mobile app, you will NOT receive these notifications.

### CRAM-A-CRUISER CAMPAIGN - May 1 to 15

Hamilton Food Share and Hamilton Police Services are challenging us to collect enough non-perishable food items to fill a police cruiser! Hamilton Food Share gathers food to supply 12 food banks and hot meal programs serving 12,600 people per month in Hamilton. Among those are 4,600 children of all ages in need of food. Any cash donations made during Cram-A-Cruiser will be matched 1:1 for up to \$50,000 by an anonymous local family who wants to encourage kindness and generosity. This means that for every \$1 donated, Hamilton Food Share can provide double the amount - \$10 in food!

### PARENT VOLUNTEERS FOR CLASS TRIPS

Parent volunteers play an important role on our class trips as the HWDSB requires specific adult/child ratios (depending on the age of the students) for all off site excursions. If you are interested in volunteering for your child's end of year class trip, you must have a police check. Police checks are only valid with the HWDSB for 3 years. If your police check is older than 1 year but less than 3, you are required to complete an Offence Declaration. Vulnerable Sector Police Checks for volunteers have a fee of \$25 and take 30 days to process. Please note that teachers only need a certain number of volunteers and may not be able to accommodate all parents wanting to help with the trip due to cost and space on the bus.