

Elizabeth Bagshaw Elementary School

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February 2020 Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 3 Kindergarten Registration Opens
- February 5 Rocks and Rings (Curling team visiting gym classes)
- February 6 High School Option Sheets due for Grade 8's (Glendale)
- February 7 Pizza orders & money due
- February 13 Pizza Day
- February 14 Valentine's Day Class Celebrations
- February 14 Tech Free Games (periods 3 & 4)
- February 14 Jump Rope for Heart Assembly
- February 17 Family Day (No School)
- February 21 Neon / Rainbow Day
- February 27 Pizza Day
- March 5 Jump Rope for Heart Event
- March 6 P.A. Day (No School)
- March 9 March pizza orders & money due
- March 12 Pizza Day
- March 16 20 March Break (No School)



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Children who were born in 2016 (who are 4 or will turn 4 before Dec. 31, 2020) and will attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2020 may register beginning **Monday, February 3rd**.

Registration packages will be available in the Main Office between the hours of 9:30 -

TEMPORARY GUARDIANS

Parents, if you will be travelling away from home and are having a family member or friend temporarily look after your child, please make sure you notify the school and provide the name and phone number of the temporary guardian.

TERM ONE REPORT CARDS

Due to labour actions by the Elementary Teachers' Federation, the HWDSB has decided not to provide term one report cards. Please contact your child's teacher if you have any concerns/questions about their progress.

OUTDOOR PLAY

Time spent outdoors is an important part of the school day as children greatly benefit when they experience fresh air, exercise and time spent outside. To enjoy their time outside, children need to come to school prepared for the cold. Please make sure that your child has boots, snow pants, mittens/gloves, and hats. HWDSB policy follows the City of Hamilton guideline that people stay inside when it's at or below –15C, or –20C with wind chill. Please note that we cannot make exceptions for any student to stay indoors while the rest of the class is outside.

CITY OF HAMILTON RECREATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

This program provides Hamilton residents living with a low income the opportunity to participate in organized sports and recreation programs. For families with children under 18 the program provides:

- Free Family Participation Pass (valid for City wide drop-in recreation programs with no instructor)
- Free Family Skate Pass (valid for City wide drop-in public skates)
- 90% discount off City of Hamilton registered programs (up to \$150 per child)
- 50% discount off Affiliated Minor Sport* league registration fees (up to a maximum of \$100 on baseball, basketball, soccer, lacrosse and football or \$150 on hockey, skating, ringette)
- 65% discount off of year round Camp Kidaca programs (up to 15 days at the base fee)

Families below the Low-Income Cut Off (LICO) level after taxes (line 236 of your tax return) are eligible. Please see the table below.





| | Family Size | Family Net Income must be below: |
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| | 2 | \$26,143 |
| | 3 | \$32,554 |
| | 4 | \$40,614 |
| | 5 | \$46,247 |
| i. | 6 | \$51,289 |
| | 7 | \$ 56,331 |





To apply you will need to fill out the application form, provide proof of your family net income and provide proof of home address in the City of Hamilton. For more information and to print the application form, go to:

https://www.hamilton.ca/parks-recreation/registered-rec-programs/recreation-assistance-program. The school office will also have a book outlining the programs offered by the city. Questions? Call 905-546-2424 ext. 4569, email rap@hamilton.ca or contact Ms. Grittani at the school at kgrittan@hwdsb.on.ca.