

## GORDON PRICE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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December 2018

*Gordon Price is a diverse school community filled with kindness, acceptance, potential and hope. Learning Together. We help using our kind words, helpful hands and caring hearts to make a difference.*



### From the Principal's Office

Welcome back to school! We hope and trust everyone had a relaxing and fun filled time with family and friends. It is a great time to reflect and identify new personal and academic goals to strive for 2019!

December had many special moments and activities. Many of our students shared their awesome artistic abilities and talents with the school community. Our Kindergarten students performed a winter concert, our gr 1-6 students had a sharing assembly and finally, students starred in the musical North Pole Exposure. The Gordon Price Choir entertained the City of Hamilton including the Mayor while they performed around the city. Our ECO Team launched our water initiative campaign. Your generous donations for the food drive supported Neighbour to Neighbour Food Centre. Our Well-being Calendars arrived and were sent home.

On December 7th, staff engaged in professional learning for math and student well-being. We continued to deepen our understanding of our students and best practices to support student learning and student well-being. I am very proud of the exceptional work of the Gordon Price staff within our school.

Best wishes and Welcome: We would like to thank Ms. Corbeau for her work in our kindergarten classroom the past year and wish her very well as she continues her career in HWDSB. We would like to welcome Ms. Cartagena as she returns in her role of DECE.

Mr. Patton

### IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event	Date	Event
January 7	First Day of School	January 9, 16, 23, 30	Pizza Days
January 15	School Council Meeting	January 16	City of Hamilton Water Presentation
January 22	Gr 5/6 Trip to Dundas Valley	January 22	Grade 8 Graduation Photos
January 24	Hawaiian Day	January 25	PA Day
February 7	MADD Smart Wheels Bus Presentation Gr 5/6 Students	February 18	Family Day

#### Principal:

Mr. B. Patton

#### Office Administrators:

Mrs. Sherriff  
Mrs. Erben

#### Superintendent:

Mrs. L. Romano

#### Trustee:

Ms. B. Buck

#### Special points of interest:

- Important Dates
- Trustee Information
- Extra-curricular activities
- Website Subscription

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## **School Council News.....**

**Next meeting: Tuesday January 15, 2019 at 6:30 in the Library.**

**Upcoming Family Movie Night: Friday January 18th  
Doors open at 5:45 pm and movie begins at 6:15.**



Hello Parents, Guardians and Caregivers!

My name is Becky Buck and I am your School Board Trustee representative for Wards 8 and 14.

As a school board trustee, my role is to maintain a focus on student achievement, well-being and equity and to participate in making decisions that benefit our board's entire jurisdiction while representing the interest of my constituents. I look forward to visiting our schools and seeing all of the hard work that is taking place by students and staff.

I'd invite you to reach out to me to introduce yourself and share any positive feedback or concerns you might have about the schools in our wards.

I can be reached by email at [bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:bbuck@hwdsb.on.ca) or by phone at 905-515-2367.

### **Inclement Weather and School Closure**

Severe Weather Conditions – Severe weather across the District or in any part of the District may result in the cancellation of transportation services to the entire District. If the weather is severe enough, the General Manager of the Hamilton-Wentworth Student Transportation System will advise the Director or Designate of the road conditions and weather conditions. The Director of Education or Designate will then decide whether or not to cancel all school and board administrative operations. If the conditions are determined to be unsafe, The Director of Education or Designate will then inform Corporate Communications and the General Manager of Hamilton-Wentworth Student Transportation System of the cancellation of all school and board administrative operations. Corporate Communications will inform the community by contacting the media, the City of Hamilton, school-based child care providers and by posting cancellation information on the website and on a School Cancellation "Hotline". The Director or Designate will make every effort to cancel all school and board administrative operations by 6:00 a.m. For more information on the Cancellation of School & Board Operations visit Weather Cancellation Infographic

<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Weather-Cancellation-Infographic.pdf>

## **2019 Gordon Price 12- Month Calendars**

Gordon Price Elementary School published a 2019 Year Calendar. The inspiration of our calendar is student and school family well-being. It showcased the creative talents of our students through artwork and writing pieces. We had over 70 orders and sent them home in December. If you are interested in purchasing a calendar, please contact the school.

### ***Gordon Price ECO Team***

In December, our ECO Team hosted an assembly to share important information about the valuable natural resource of water. They have asked for students to submit a slogan for our water bottle campaign. In January, the City of Hamilton will be presenting information to our students about water. Stay tuned for more details.

### ***March Madness***

Mark your calendars ... on March 8th, our March Madness Event will be returning! After February 8th, the school will be accepting new or used toys, stuffed toys, books, games, puzzles, jewelry and attic treasures. We appreciate your support!

## **Band, Choir and Dance Team Notes**

Senior Band is already practising for the Golden Horseshoe Musicfest happening Feb. 22nd  
Dance Team are starting rehearsals for Dancefest. Dancefest is Feb. 15th.

Primary, Junior and Intermediate choirs will start in two weeks. We are singing at the Bulldogs game March 1st. Tickets will be going on sale soon.

### **Reminders:**

As the snowy weather comes our way, we ask students to come prepared with the appropriate clothing and footwear. Students should bring a pair of shoes for indoor use only. It helps our caretaking staff to keep our school hallways safe and clean.

### **Parking and Drop Off:**

There is no parking in front of the school doors. The signage is very clear on where you can park or drop off. The area is very congested at entry and dismissal times. For student safety, we obey the signage around the school property. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

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