

## COMMUNITY LETTER:

Community News, Updates and Reminders

March 1, 2024.

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Greetings, Helen Detwiler Families,  
Below are some updates for our school community.  
Have a nice weekend!

Kwame Djan and Marie Sargant  
Principal & Vice-principal

### Cell Phone/Electronic Devices

I want to take a moment to address our school's policy regarding cell phone use during school hours. While we understand the importance of staying connected, we also believe it is crucial to minimize distractions and create a focused learning environment for our students. Therefore, we kindly request that cell phones be kept turned off or in silent mode and stored in backpacks during school hours. In case of emergency, students can use the school phone with permission from a teacher or staff member. We appreciate your support in helping us maintain a productive learning environment for all students. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Communicating concerns

Should you have any classroom-related questions or concerns, reach out to the **classroom teacher**. If you would like more information or if you have any questions that are beyond the classroom, please contact the school principal, **Mr. Djan**. At Helen Detwiler, we continue to encourage a respectful and positive relationship between school and home, with consistent open lines of communication.

### Parent council meeting

**March 5, 2024, at 6:30-7:30 PM** in the school library.

### March 6

Grade 8 students at Actors in HWDSB program at Westmount Secondary School

### March 6

Grade 5-8 checker team at a tournament at Ancaster Fairgrounds

### March 11-15

March Break!

*Below is our school's code of conduct. We would appreciate it if you could take some time to review this with your child/ren. Thank you in advance for your support with this.*

# Helen Detwiler Code of Conduct

## **I come to school, prepared to learn:**

- with a positive attitude
- on time and regularly
- with all assignments completed to the best of my abilities
- and I follow all school rules regarding electronic devices

## **I show respect for others and their:**

- race, culture, religion, gender, ethnicity, abilities
- rights, feelings and ideas
- personal space and safety
- property
- food

## **I speak and listen politely by using:**

- appropriate tone of voice
- appropriate facial expressions
- appropriate body language and listening in turn

## **I follow promptly all school rules and routines:**

- in class
- in the office
- on the field
- on school trips
- in the hallway
- in the gym
- in the library
- in the washroom

## **I solve problems peacefully:**

- by using my words
- by seeking help from a caring adult