



**COMMUNITY LETTER: Community  
News, Updates and Reminders  
November 28, 2025.**



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Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caregivers,  
Below are the updates for November 28, 2025.

Have a great weekend!

Regards,  
Kwame Djan & Lynda Southon

**Detwiler School Spirit Wristbands**

Our next round of school spirit wristbands will be sold from November 14-December 12.  
All purchases will be distributed to students the week of December 15.

**Photo retake day**

January 15, 2026

**Pizza lunches**

Our next pizza day is Wednesday, December 3. **All orders must be submitted by Sunday, November 30th through School Cash Online only.**

**Popcorn Days**

Our next Popcorn Day is **Friday, December 5th**. Popcorn is available for \$2.00 and **must be ordered by Tuesday, December 2nd through School Cash Online only.**

**Fundraising**

Did you know that you can support **Helen Detwiler** when you place any order with Mabel's Labels? They have a Black Friday sale right now until November 30th. These labels are ideal for all your child's belongings, including water bottles, clothing, backpacks, shoes, etc. Best of all, they are a local business operating right here in Hamilton!

To order visit the website <https://mabelslabels.ca/>

Select "**Support a Fundraiser**"

Enter "**Helen Detwiler**" and select it then click "**Shop Now**"



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**Parent council meeting**

**Date:** January 15, 2026

**Time:** 6:30-7:30 (library)

**Access to school:** Front entrance

**Format:** Hybrid (see below for MS Teams link)

- [Join the meeting now](#)
- Meeting ID: 276 246 225 591 76
- Passcode: SM25a82x

**Parent council meeting**

**Date:** February 15, 2026

**Time:** 6:30-7:30 (library)

**Access to school:** Front entrance

**Format:** Hybrid (see below for MS Teams link)

[Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 255 774 889 525 45

Passcode: kA7Jd7fz

**Parking By-Laws**

This is a reminder that there is no stopping from 6am-7pm on the school side of Brigade Dr., from Bonaparte Way to Bastille St. These by-laws are in place to keep pedestrians and drivers safe. By-law officers will be on-site throughout the year to ensure compliance.

**Additionally, the staff parking lot is for staff only – this is not a space for student drop off or pick up.** We appreciate your support in this as we prioritize the safety of our students on a daily basis.

**Kiss 'N Ride**

The Kindergarten loop is a no-stopping zone, as indicated by the City of Hamilton bylaw signs posted. When dropping off, students must immediately exit the vehicle safely and *independently*. At the end of the day, parents must park in the lot or on the opposite side of the street to wait for students.



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**Volunteering in 2025-2026 school year**

All applicants looking to volunteer are now required to present a Vulnerable Sector Screening **specific to HWDSB** before they will be able to begin their volunteer activities. An offence Declaration is required for the subsequent years until a new Vulnerable Sector is required (after 3 years). The Vulnerable Sector Screening is the property of the volunteer. A letter to be presented to the respective police department can be obtained through the office.

**Just Give It! Food Drive**

This year, our goal was to collect 500 non-perishable items for our community food drive. Unbelievably, we not only surpassed, but DOUBLED our target with a total of 1036 donations! Thank you to everyone for your incredible generosity in this effort. Special thanks to our student council and teacher leaders for organizing this event.