



# Hillcrest Elementary School

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Dear families,

This letter is to inform you of a concerning incident that occurred near our school today.

A youth who does not attend our school got into an argument with some students and showed what appeared to be weapon. Thankfully, it was quickly determined that the item was a cap gun.

Hamilton Police responded. They share our concern about this incident and reinforce the message that replica weapons can lead to very dangerous situations.

Weapons – even replicas – have no place on school property. The HWDSB Code of Conduct notes that students are expected to refrain from bringing anything to school that may compromise the safety of self or others, as well as follow the established rules and take responsibility for their own actions.

You can find our Code of Conduct on our Policy web page under Safety and Well-being:  
[www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/policies/](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/policies/)

We hope that all Hillcrest families share our concern about this issue.

Student safety is of the utmost importance at Hillcrest. If you have any questions, please contact our school at 905.549.3076.

We thank all parents, guardians and students for their understanding.

Sincerely,

Chris Blunsdon  
Principal