



Principals Message

We are very proud of the work that our students are doing! Each day we see new skills develop and students gaining confidence and pride in their work!

As we enter the month of November, we are amazed at all of the things happening around the school. Our extra-curriculars are in full swing with multiple opportunities for student leadership around the school. The Remembrance Day Assembly will take place on Monday Nov. 11 at 10:30 am organized by our MAD Group and Mrs. Finelli. This very solemn event can evoke many emotions with our students. Although we aim to be protective of our students, we can never be aware of all of the experiences that each of our children have nor how they will interpret the sharing of information about Remembrance Day and all that it means to Canadians. Please prepare your child ahead of time, as needed. Children that are Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Sparks, Brownies or Guides are welcome to wear their uniforms on this day. Although we would love to welcome all parents, because this is a whole school assembly, we invite only parents of students that are participating in the assembly in order to adhere to the Fire Code.

November 18 to the 22 is Anti-Bullying Awareness Week. At Janet Lee we continually strive to create and maintain a safe learning environment for all of our students. However, there are occasions where children are not interacting as positively as we know they can. Through various programs at school, including our Character Education, Monthly Assemblies, Community Circles, Restorative Justice, announcements and daily in class teachings etc., staff are teaming with students to better understand what bullying is, and what to do about it if they are being bullied. Please see a list at the end of this newsletter of all the wonderful things happening at Janet Lee this month!

Have a great November!

Mrs. Costa-Popovich
Principal



School Day/ Bell Time Schedule

Supervised Bus/Playground	7:55— 8:10
Period 1	8:10— 9:10
Period 2	9:10— 9:50
Nutrition Break	9:50—10:30
Period 3	10:30—11:20
Period 4	11:20—12:10
Nutrition Break	12:10—12:50
Period 5	12:50—1:50
Period 6	1:50— 2:30
Supervised Bus/Playground	2:30—2:45

School Council

A big thanks to our School Council for getting our milk, sub and pizza days up and running. I am sure you can appreciate the amount of work the School Council puts into organizing all of the orders for students in the school. If you would still like to order milk or pizza please let the office know.

Elementary Progress Reports

All versions of the Elementary Progress Report Card are designed to show a student's development of the learning skills and work habits during the fall of the school year, as well as a student's general progress in working towards the achievement of the curriculum expectations in all subjects. This report was issued on October 29th. Please return the envelope at the time of the interview, if not before.

The report card is one component of the communication between teachers and parents regarding student progress. We hope that many of you will be able to attend Parent/Teacher Interviews that will take place on the evening of Thursday Nov. 7th and Friday November 8th. Class teachers have sent home letters with information on how to schedule an interview. Families can schedule interviews that best fit with their schedules.

Lost and Found

As our lost and found grows, we encourage students to have their items of clothing tagged with their name for easy returns. Please remember that the lost and found is cleaned out monthly and will be donated. Please check it for your child's lost items on a regular basis.

MAD Group

A huge thank you to the MAD Group for their excellent planning and execution of the Haunted House! It was fantastic and they sure did scare Mrs. C.P and many others in the school.

November Food Drive

This November we will be having our annual food drive. Every food item that your child brings in will be counted and given to Good Shepherd. Please bring in food items that do not expire such as canned goods, cereal, beans, pasta, macaroni and cheese, healthy snacks, or baby food. The class with the most items will win a pizza party!

Milk Bag Drive

Starting this month, the M.A.D. group is hosting a milk bag drive. We will be collecting milk bags that we will use to weave mattresses. It is also very important that the bags have no leftover milk or holes in them. If the bags have any milk in them, we cannot use them to make the mattresses. We are collecting bags starting this week for the entire year, so you can always bring in milk bags. We need around 500-800 bags to make one mattress, so bring in as many as you can!

Thank you,
Janet Lee Mad Group

Cell Phone Use and PED

We are very proud of our students and the fact that most are respecting our cell phone use procedures. Students are aware that they must have teacher permission to use cell phones and Ipads in class. Cell phones and school based Ipads are never to be used during Nutrition Breaks. There are a number of apps that we are learning about where children are posting and uploading videos of themselves and sometimes their friends. Supporting young people to use technology responsibly and safely continues to be a challenge but together home, school and community can make a difference by being aware and closely monitoring.

Picture Retake

Picture retake will take place on Nov. 12.

Messages to Students

Please help us ensure the safety of your child(ren) by following these few, simple guidelines:

- Arrangements for babysitting, after school activities and pickup times for appointments should be made outside of school hours and a notation made in the student's agenda. This will ensure that there is no confusion as to your message. This also provides your child's teacher with an opportunity to prepare your child for the lessons they will miss and, your child can feel secure in knowing what their day will hold.
- While we recognize that there are emergencies and unforeseen circumstances that necessitate a message being delivered to a student during the school day, please limit these messages to true emergencies. This will limit interruption to classes, help your child organize his/her day, and reduce the anxiety children feel when plans change unexpectedly. We are more than happy to help out in extenuating circumstances.
- Writing instructions in your child's planner ensures that your instructions are followed out exactly as you intend and eliminates confusion, misunderstanding and the possibility that your message does not reach your child.

If your child is a bus student and is not riding the bus home, please indicate this to the teacher who will then pass the message to the office. It is important for the teacher to know this as they are the ones that are dismissing your child. The office needs to know so they can be taken off the afternoon bus list. Call in's (not preferred) must be before 2 p.m.

Dropping Off Items

The main office at Janet Lee is a very busy place. Mrs. Harte works very hard and really cares about your children. In addition to her many office responsibilities, frequently throughout the day, you will see her attending to a variety of bumps and boo boos. One way that you can support us in the office is by ensuring that your child(ren) have all they need to support them at school before they leave in the morning, lunch, musical instruments, gym clothes, etc.

Hungry Kids

We regularly have children come to the office for more food after lunch. Please be aware that we only have granola bars at the office. We encourage you to discuss with your child(ren) how much food they may need throughout the day. In addition, having children play an active part in making their lunch is a great learning opportunity for them.

From the Fire Marshall

If you live in a rental property, and have concerns with smoke or CO alarm operation, maintenance, or installation, call the Fire Prevention division of the Hamilton Fire Dept. at 905-546-2424 ext. 1380, weekdays between 8:30am and 4:30pm or visit their website at www.hamilton.ca/fire

Dates to Remember

- Nov. 4 Sub Day
- Nov. 5 2:30-4:00 Swim Team SWC
- Nov. 5 3:45 Girls VBall
- Nov. 6 Gr. 8's to Saltfleet
- Nov. 7 8:30 School Bus Safety
1:00 Chocolate Fundraiser Kick Off
2:30 Interviews
- Nov. 8 PA Day Interviews
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day & Assembly
- Nov. 12 Picture Retakes
- Nov. 12 1:00 Lockdown Practice
- Nov. 13 3:45 Boys VBall
- Nov. 15 8:30-3:30 Gr. 7 Vaccines
- Nov. 15 8:30 Boy Vball Tournament @
- Nov. 18 1:00 Gr. 3-5 Bullying Awareness (Gym)
- Nov. 20 6:30—8:00 Gr. 7 & 8 Information Night
Saltfleet High School
- Nov. 21 2:45 Staff Meeting
- Nov. 25 8:30 Live Different Presentation
- Nov. 25 6:30 School Council
- Nov. 29 PA Day— No School for Students



Saltfleet High School Grade 7/8 Night

Wednesday November 20th from 6:30-8:00pm

Principal address at 6:30pm in the cafeteria

Then parents and students are encouraged to tour the school and meet teachers from various departments

Ask questions about courses or programming

Engage in classroom demonstrations and activities

View the exciting new school renovations

See how well Saltfleet students scored on EQAO

Learn for yourself why

“Saltfleet is the Place to Be”

To see current Saltfleet events follow @SaltfleetHWDSB or the principal @CNicHWDSB on twitter

Upcoming Saltfleet events:

November 6th – Grade 8s are invited to visit Saltfleet and experience “A Day in the Life” of a high school student. Students will visit grade 9 classrooms and have the opportunity to meet teachers and ask questions about high school.

November 20th – Saltfleet Open House from 6:30-8:00pm

December 1st – Binbrook Santa Claus Parade. Saltfleet’s mascot “Stormy” will be looking for some helpers to handout candy canes along the parade route. Stay tuned for details!



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