



Janet Lee News

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Principals Message

To say that the last few month in schools across the province have been challenging is an understatement. At Janet Lee the staff and students continue to be their best everyday! Please continue to monitor the HWDSB website for the most recent Labour Updates. A warm welcome to all the new students that registered at JL this month! We hope that you and your family are enjoying this amazing community.

We've certainly had some unpredictable weather over the last few weeks, and winter isn't over yet! Please ensure your child is well dressed for the weather. Our younger students are encouraged to have some extra mitts and socks available in their backpacks, especially for those days when the temperatures are a bit milder and things get slushy and wet on the school yard. With all the extra sand and salt being spread around our school for safety, we really appreciate our custodians. We encourage our students to ensure they have proper indoor footwear to keep their feet warm, dry and always ready if there is ever an emergency evacuation. It is also important that students have proper footwear for Phys.Ed. classes as well. Thank you parents for ensuring your child has these items. We're grateful to Mr. Chaston and our custodial team for the excellent work they do keeping our hallways and entryways clean, particularly through the winter and spring seasons.

Our March virtue is Sportsmanship. We demonstrate good sportsmanship by playing fair, being respectful and accepting the outcome of the game. We have been reminding our students daily that it is very important to show good sportsmanship during unstructured nutrition breaks. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Mrs. Costa-Popovich
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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

Kindergarten Registration

Do you (or someone you know) have a child who is turning four in 2020? If so, it's time to register them for Kindergarten for the 2020/21 school year. Parents/guardians can begin the Kindergarten registration process on the HWDSB website any time You can register online or at the school. Regardless, to finalize the process, parents/guardians must come to the school with documentation. This includes, proof of address, birth certificate and immunization records. If you know someone that has Kindergarten age children in your neighbourhood please share this information with them.



Student Information

Please note that it is very important that you advise the school office immediately of any change in phone numbers, emergency contacts, address or e-mail address. We must have up to date information in order to respond promptly in an emergency situation and to share school information with you.

School Council

Thank you to our School Council members for their commitment to regular meetings and their hard work with all our fundraisers. Active parent volunteers continue to support sub, milk and pizza days. In addition we have other volunteers who support classrooms in a variety of ways. If you are available and willing to help with any initiatives, please call the school office. Thank you to our Grade 8 students for help in delivering sub forms and selling Cookiegrams! Planning for the Fun Fair in May has begun! More details to follow. *Sincere thanks to Nicole Jones-Co-Chair and Treasurer, Amanda Cowden-Co-Chair and Laura Keddie-Secretary for leading our School Council!*

Playground and Parking Safety

We appreciate your help in promoting safety procedures with regard to the flow of traffic and pedestrians in the parking lots and Kiss 'N Ride lanes. Please remember that if you need to stop in the morning, please use the parking lot farthest from the school. The other is reserved for staff. Thank you for respecting the BUS ONLY LANE at the front of the school. Cars are never permitted in the bus lane as this is also an Emergency Vehicles lane and therefore must be clear at all times in case of an emergency. In addition, please be aware that an **Accessible Parking Permit** is required to park in the two Accessible parking spots.

School yard supervision by school staff begins at 7:55 a.m. Students should not be arriving and entering the school yard areas prior to 7:55 a.m. as they are not supervised. If it is raining or too cold in the morning, bus students come through the front doors as they arrive and line up quietly outside their classroom. The "vested" teachers on duty in the morning will direct walking/driven students to enter the building through the side doors and also line up quietly outside their classrooms.

Spring Break

The last day of classes is **Friday March 13th**. Classes resume on **Monday, March 23rd**. We hope that you have a wonderful break with your loved ones!

Speaking of Spring!

Now is the time to register for summer camps! The City of Hamilton, McMaster University and many other places offer a great variety of experiences and opportunities to support families during the summer months. This is the time of year that most begin to take registrations. If this is something you are considering this summer, register early as many fill up very fast.

Illness: Cold/Flu

Over the past few weeks there has been a noticeable increase in the number of students who are not feeling well at school. Please use your discretion in keeping your child at home to recover. A child who is coughing, sneezing or who has a fever etc. is not in a fit state to learn and is in a position to infect other children. Please remember that if your child is well enough to attend school, they are well enough to go outside for Nutrition Breaks. It is not possible for supervision and safety reasons to have some students inside and the others outside.

Dates to Remember

Mar. 5	Gr. 8 Grad. Photos (Stage)
Mar. 6	PD Day (no school for students)
Mar. 16– 20	Spring Break
Mar. 23	Sub Day
Mar. 26	12:50 McMaster Students in *F
Mar. 30	6:30 School Council

Pizza days are every Friday unless there is no school .



Beyond the Classroom

READ

20 MINUTES A DAY



STUDENT A
reads at home



20
min/day

STUDENT B
reads at home



5
min/day

STUDENT C
reads at home



1
min/day

THEY WILL HEAR

1,800,000

282,000

8,000

WORDS PER YEAR

THEY WILL HAVE READ FOR

851

212

42

HOURS BY 6TH GRADE

AND ON STANDARDIZED TESTS,
THEY WILL LIKELY SCORE BETTER THAN

90%

50%

10%

OF THEIR PEERS



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