



Lake Avenue Elementary School

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Dear families,

We are excited to welcome students back to class for the 2025-26-school year.

We are thrilled to see students, staff and families again. Each new year is a new opportunity for students to reach their full potential, make new connections and learn and grow with their school community.

A friendly reminder that the first day of school will be **Tuesday September 2, 2025 for grades 1-8**. JK students will have a short visit on September 2 and all JK/SK students will have a full day on September 3, 2025. School starts at 8:50 Am and we ask that students be on-time to avoid disruptions to others in the classroom. Our school day ends at 3:10 PM. Parents should pick up their children at that time in the designated areas.

Please note that students in grade 7/8 may go home for lunch during our second nutrition break (12:50-1:30) with parent permission (through the parent portal) but are expected to return on time. For safety, all other students (K-6) are expected to stay for both lunches but may leave if picked up by a parent.

We also invite families to keep up with communications from HWDSB by [subscribing to email updates](#) or following HWDSB [on social media](#). We post "News and Notes" each week on our school website. When you subscribe, you will get an email to let you know that there is a new post to view. This helps to keep everyone up to date about things that are happening at Lake Ave.

If you have school-specific questions, please reach out at 905-561-0402.

Here are some important points to remember as students prepare for the start of the school year:

For information about HWDSB Code of Conduct and Reducing Distractions in classrooms, please click here:

[Reducing Distractions in Classrooms and Schools | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board](#)

To see the 2025-2026 school year calendar, please visit [School Year Calendar | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board](#)

We know students can feel a range of feelings leading up to the start of the school year, but we are here to support their back-to-school experience. If you would like to connect with me in more detail to discuss your child(ren)'s return to classrooms and learning spaces, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Mrs. McCrory

Principal, Lake Ave. School

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