

Mount Albion School Newsletter



August



Updated School Forms

We will be sending home forms for parents to fill out in order to update the school with any changes. These forms are important to ensure the safety of children throughout the school year. Please return these forms to the teacher as soon as possible.

Reducing Distractions in School & Classroom

Effective September 1, 2024, the HWDSB Code of Conduct will reflect recent changes to the Ministry of Education's Provincial Code of Conduct (PPM-128). These updates aim to support students and staff by minimizing distractions and fostering positive learning environments. The focus is on upholding human rights, supporting student achievement, and ensuring safety and wellness in classrooms.

Staff, students, families, and community members are encouraged to collaborate to create conducive learning conditions. More information on topics like mobile devices, social media, and vaping is available on the HWDSB website. These updates are being communicated to all members of the school community to ensure everyone is aware of the new expectations.

Teachers & Homeroom

Teacher	Class
T. Jones/ C. Clark	FDK-A
M. Smith (LTO) / M. Biancucci	FDK-B
L. Cook/ N. Fielding	FDK-C
K. Van Roon	FDK-D
D. Clairmont	1A
H. Hicks (LTO)	1B
T. Fair	1/2A
E. Sewell	2A
L. Baca	2B
S. Houle	2/3A
K. Bujara	3A
T. Quinn	3/4A
M. Tracey	4A
L. Fowler	4B
B. Kauth	5A
R. Machida	5B

Teacher	Class
A. Belluardo	5/6A
A. Shimizu (LTO)	6A
J. Carter	6/7A
K. Brewer	7A
J. Davidson	7/8A
A. Alleyne (LTO)	8A
J. Axiak	AUA
B. Robbs (LTO)	AUB
W. Hawcutt-Kerr	DD
L. Rossi/ D. Outhwaite	LRT
A. Curtis/ D. Pickett	Gym
D. Harwood	Library
S. Honeyford	Music
J. Arnone-Mariella	French
LTO (TBA)	French

School Bell Times

9:00	Yard Supervision
9:15	Student Entry
9:15 - 10:15	Period 1
10:15 - 10:55	Period 2
10:55 - 11:35	Nutrition Break #1
11:35 - 12:35	Period 3
12:35 - 1:15	Period 4
1:15 - 1:55	Nutrition Break #2
1:55 - 2:55	Period 5
2:55 - 3:35	Period 6
3:35	Dismissal
3:35 - 3:50	Yard Supervision



SEPTEMBER 3



Please join us as we welcome our new Vice Principal, Ms. N. Assadian to Mount Albion Elementary School. We are thrilled that she will begin working with us this September.

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Kindergarten's First Day of School

All JK (Year 1) and SK (Year 2) students begin full day attendance on **Wednesday, September 4th.**

Educators will be outside their respective classrooms to greet students and families on the enclosed kindergarten playgrounds.

Please remember that **ALL** visitors and parents must report to the office upon entry to the school. Parents/Guardians must wait in the office when picking up a student. Please **DO NOT** walk to the classrooms.

First Day Of School

Grades 1-8 Students

The first day of school for grades 1-8 is **Tuesday, September 3rd.** Students will be greeted by their new teachers on the playground.

This is where students can gather to meet with their new classmates and prepare for 9:15 am entry.

To access high level supervision sightlines for the safety of all students, we ask that parents/guardians stay off the main playground at drop off and pick up times.

If you require assistance, please look for staff members who will be wearing safety vests, and they will be happy to help.

Welcome New Kindergartens

On Tuesday, September 3rd, all students new to kindergarten will have an opportunity to have a scheduled visit with the kindergarten team to ensure they

feel comfortable and supported as they transition to school. Families who are registering new kindergarten children will be provided with a time to visit their new classrooms and educators.



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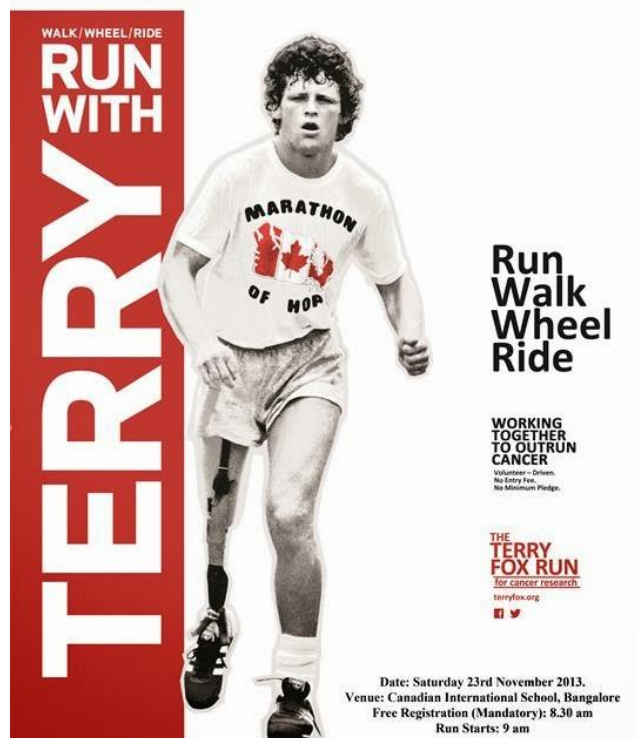


Transportation

If your child qualifies for transportation, please follow the steps listed to access your child(ren)'s information via the online portal. Please keep in mind that last minute changes sometimes do occur and that it is important to re-check the information prior to sending your child(ren) to their assigned pickup location on September 3rd. Go to www.hamiltonschoolbus.ca and click on the "Parent's Portal" on the Home page, OR "Bus Stop Finder" on the landing page. Families of new JK students should have received information in the mail about transportation.

Dogs

Please note that dogs are not permitted on school property during the school day, including drop off and pick up. Thank you.



Our school will be participating in the Terry Fox Run on Wednesday September 25th, 2024

If you would like to donate please go to this link.
[Mount Albion Public School - Stoney Creek, ON | Terry Fox School Run](#)

Plan of Care

You will be contacted if your child has a Plan of Care currently on file at the school to update if required. If your child is new to the school or has had a change in a medical condition, and requires a new Plan of Care, please obtain, complete and return the relevant form(s) to the office as soon as possible.



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School Cash Online

To pay for school related items, please visit School Cash Online

Parking Lot

To help promote an active lifestyle and reduce congestion in our parking lot, we strongly encourage students to walk or ride bicycles/scooters to and from school.

There are parking spots on many of the side streets, it's best to park there and walk the short distance. Please do not stop or park in any "Fire Access Routes", for the safety of all our staff and students. They must always be clear for emergency vehicles.

Class Placements

As of **Monday, August 26th**, you will be able to access the Parent Portal where you can view the name of your child's teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.

The process of class placement is a collaborative effort that takes place over several weeks. A considerable amount of time and thought goes into placement decisions, including current and potential friendships, student success and student achievement.

Please note, changes to class placements are not being considered at this time. Our dedicated and caring staff will work with you to support students in transitioning to their new classrooms. If you have any specific concerns about your child, please reach out to your child's teacher.

Communication

Please subscribe to Mount Albion's webpage for all school news and coming events:

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/mountalbion/> by scrolling to the bottom of the website and clicking on subscribe.

Lost & Found

We hope to reduce the number of lost student items! I'm sure families would be happy to not have to replace gloves, hats, pants, boots, shoes, hoodies, and so on. Please consider writing your child's name on as many items as possible

Newsletter

Our school newsletter is our official form of communication with our school community. Please ensure that you subscribe to our website in order to receive updates