



**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR!**

Mountview School News

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From the Principal's Desk...

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I hope that everyone had a happy and relaxing holiday with family and friends. As we enter into 2020, I encourage all students to make good choices and do their best learning and work at all times.

Calendar

I'd like to send a big Thank You out to all of the Mountview Community for their generous donations of hats, mitts and socks. All the donations are being sent to another HWDSB school where they will be used and enjoyed by students in need.

- ◆ This is a friendly reminder that Mountview is a **NUT FREE** school. Please refrain from sending nuts and nut products to school as we have many people who have very serious allergies. Please keep this in mind when holiday treats are brought in. We also ask that students not use scents and fragrances in the hallways, as this can cause breathing difficulties for those who have fragrance allergies and sensitivities.
- ◆ As we enter the winter months, we will continue to play outdoors at different times throughout the day. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Boots, mitts or gloves, hats and winter outerwear are necessary for students to be able to enjoy their time outdoors. It is also a good idea to send extra socks and mittens in an event that they are needed. As always, Principals can use their professional judgement to determine whether students remain inside for the Nutrition Breaks.

- ◆ **School Closures due to Inclement Weather**

As per the HWDSB Website:

The decision to cancel School and Board Administrative Operations is often a difficult call to make. Please be assured that the decision to remain open or to close is always made with the safety and security of our students and staff in mind. In the event of inclement weather, our Transportation Department advises our carriers to drive predetermined routes to assess the condition of the roads. This is done between 4:00 am and 5:00 am. The drivers report back to the carriers and HWDSB begins to receive reports between 5:30 am and 6:00 am. In the meantime, our Transportation Department is verifying the weather forecast through our local media outlets as well as contacting the City of Hamilton Works Department to determine where possible, what roads have been cleared or when they are expected to be serviced. The decision to close our schools is made in conjunction with our colleagues at the Hamilton Wentworth Catholic District School Board based on relevant information at the time. Please remember, as a parent/guardian you always have the choice whether or not to send your child to school.

