

### DECEMBER 2022

## From the Principal's Desk...

Wow! I can't believe that it is already December. We have a very busy month ahead. Please check the school calendar included with this newsletter for all the events happening at Mountview this month. Our Holiday Concert will be on Tuesday December 20 @ 1:30 pm and Wednesday December 21 @ 9:00 am. We look forward to celebrating with you.

#### **Holiday Food Drive**

We will be hosting a holiday food drive in conjunction with Neighbour to Neighbour Food Banks, from December 14—21. Students can bring non perishable food and toiletry items during this time. We encourage guests attending the holiday performances to make a food donation as admission to the show.

#### **Holiday Performance 2022**

This year, our school will be presenting "The Great Holiday Bakeoff". We will be hosting two performances, December 20 @ 1:30 pm and December 21 @ 9:00 am. Due to fire codes and the number of people allowed in the gym at one time, we respectfully request that parents/grandparents/caregivers attend only **one** of the two performances, in order to allow everyone a chance to see one production.

#### **Oven Mitts Required**

As part of the holiday performance, each student requires one oven mitt for the opening and closing numbers. Please send an oven mitt with your child(ren) and if you are able to donate a few extra it would be appreciated.

#### Milk

Many of you have been inquiring if milk will be available again this year. Due to supply issues, we have had difficulty sourcing milk to sell on a daily basis as we have done in the past. However, we are pleased to announce that we will be offering milk once a month as part of our nutrition program. Students will be offered milk at first nutrition break once a month free of charge. Our first day will be during the week of December 12. If there is extra milk left over we will offer it daily until supplies are gone.

#### **Spirit Wear Update**

If you ordered spirit wear, we are expecting it to arrive at the school sometime this week. It will then be sent home with students.

#### Big Box of Cards Fundraiser.

Our big box of cards fundraiser is now closed and we are currently reconciling all the orders. Cards should arrive at the school the 3rd week of December. If you sold multiple boxes, we will contact you to pick them up at the school when the arrive. Thank you to everyone who supported this fundraiser. We will communicate total funds raised once all numbers are finalized. Prizes will also be drawn/awarded in the coming weeks.

#### **Outdoor Play**

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.



#### **Inclement Weather / School Closures**

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. Hotline # 905 521-253

HWDSB will NOT post a weather alert on its website to signal that schools are open.





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				Pizza Day		
4	5	6	7 School Council 6pm—All Welcome	8 Pizza Day	9	10
				Pizza Day		
11	12	13	14 Food Drive Starts	15	16	17
				Pizza Day		
18	19	20 Holiday Concert 1:30	21 Holiday Concert 9:00	22	23 PJ & Movie Day	24
			Food Drive Ends	Pizza Day		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
		WIN	TER B	REAK		
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