

Norwood Park Elementary School

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Dear Families,

This is a letter to let you know that we evacuated our building today at 1:25 p.m. due to a strong smell of natural gas. Hamilton Fire Department and Enbridge Gas responded quickly.

Our usual evacuation site was unavailable, so as an emergency measure, buses were sent to the school to provide temporary shelter for students and staff as they waited for clearance to reenter the school from the Hamilton Fire Department. Just as students were getting onto the buses, the school was deemed safe to re-enter. Students and staff returned to the building at 2:10 p.m. Hamilton Police, who also responded to the call, remained at the school to provide any first aid to students and staff. As a precautionary measure, they also called Hamilton Paramedics to support with first aid.

Enbridge Gas was able to confirm that the issue was related to the boiler. HWDSB's Facilities Management department has a team at the school to investigate and make the necessary repairs.

I would like to thank staff and students for their prompt evacuation and for following our safety protocols.

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possibility.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 905.575.9808.

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Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Rhonda Moules Principal

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