

R.L. Hyslop Elementary School



OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

Important Dates

October 9 – Dental Screening (JK, SK, grade 2)

October 16 - Photo Day

October 17 – Thanksgiving Monday

October 29 – Progress Report Cards sent home

October 31 – Fall Festival Parade (9:15am)



FROM THE DESK OF MS. HOGAN, VICE PRINCIPAL

A huge thank you to all of our students and their families for a great start to the 2019-2020 school year! We had a very successful first month of school. We are continuing to focus on and reinforce the "3Rs" of RL Hyslop: Respect Yourself, Respect Others, Respect RL Hyslop. Congratulations to all of those students who remember what that respect looks, sounds and feels like every day.

Thank you to Mrs. Passmore, Mrs. Kulenovic and Mrs. Slatter for looking after the selling of pizza on pizza days, and Mr. Cheverie who will be running our "Hungry Hawks" Store! My thanks also to the parents and guardians who attended our first School Council meeting for the year, especially those who were willing to take on executive positions.

October is going to be a busy month with the startup of our pizza days, smoothie days and Hungry Hawks store. Please see more information about all of these later in the newsletter and remember to subscribe to our website and follow us on Twitter for updates and reminders throughout the month and year!

STAFFING UPDATE

We are very fortunate this year to remain status-quo with no changings to our amazing team of staff!

ATTENDANCE CHECK – ABSENT OR LATE



School Messenger is our new absence reporting system. A letter went home last June with instructions on how to use this system. If you require further information, please let us know.

SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE

Our first School Council Meeting occurred Thursday September 26th. We are pleased to announce our Council for 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested in learning more about School Council or becoming involved, please connect with any member or join us at our next meeting on Thursday October 24 at 6:00 pm in the library.

Jillian Harris: Chair
Monique Moore: Treasurer
Rebecca Passmore: Secretary
Cameron Passmore: Voting Member
Melissa Stewart: Voting Member
Linda Wallace: Voting Member
Jenn Tinson: Voting Member
Carolyn Smith: Voting Member
Melanie Walford
Jenn Hogan: Vice-Principal
Michelle Liske: Teacher Representative

The annual bazaar will be on December 13th - keep your eyes open for more information!

PIZZA, SMOOTHIES AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Pizza Days will be held on Thursdays beginning October 17th. Smoothie Days will be held on Wednesdays starting on October 23rd. Orders for these can be placed online for the month of October until October 9th. November and December are also available for purchase at this time if you wish to do multiple months at once.

Our Hungry Hawks Shop will be open every Tuesday during first nutrition break (starting October 15th) where popcorn, baked Lays Chips, cookies and milk will be sold. Milk will be \$1, Chips/Popcorn/Cookies will be \$1.50, and frozen yogurt will be \$2.00. Exact change would be greatly appreciated.

R.L. Hyslop also has special exemption nutrition days scheduled during the school year. Your child's teacher will notify you of these dates if necessary. Our school is allotted one nutrition exemption day per month. With this in mind, we ask that you please do not send food items when celebrating your child's birthday or other special events. October 31st is our next exception day. We encourage healthy snacks. **All food items must be peanut/nut free.**

VOLUNTEERS MUST HAVE POLICE CHECK: VULNERABLE SECTOR SCREENING



Part of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board's Volunteer Policy is that all volunteers working with children must have obtained a Vulnerable Sector Screening Report. This is essentially a criminal record check and is put in place to protect our children. To obtain such a report, application forms are available at the Police Station or on-line. Complete the form and submit either in person at the Hamilton Police Services Headquarters on King William Street in Hamilton or on-line. There is a cost for the check and it is valid for 3 years with the HWDSB. Returning volunteers must also sign an offence declaration each year. Please contact the school office for more information.