



R.L. Hyslop Elementary School


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Week of May 31st – June 4th, 2021

Monday May 31 st Day 2		<p style="text-align: center;">Upcoming Events</p> <p>June 4th - PD Day *No school June 24th - Report Cards sent home electronically.</p>
Tuesday June 1 st Day 3	Parent Survey Closes	
Wednesday June 2 nd Day 4		
Thursday June 3 rd Day 5		
Friday June 4 th Day 0	 <p>P.D Day – Report Card Writing</p>	

Thought of the week:



A Message from Ms. Hogan, Vice-Principal:

I cannot believe it is June!



May was filled with fun activities such as RL Hyslop and Green Acres classes working together on transition activities to get to know each other before we become part of the Collegiate Elementary Team! We are also planning our Collegiate Kindergarten Orientation for June 4th! With one month left of the school year, we are working hard on packing up the school, getting ready for class building, Grade 8 Graduation, and the Virtual School Closing Presentation.

THANK YOU!! **THANK YOU!!**

A huge thank YOU to all our students and parents for all your support throughout the school year! Without your support and dedication, we would not be able to have such success during the switch to remote learning.

A special Thank YOU to School Council for assisting with our Transition Committee, Naming Committee and all their support with initiatives put in place. Thank you to everyone for making a difference in our school!

Be well everyone.

Sincerely,
Ms. J. Hogan

Mental Wellness Check-Ins:

Mental Health

Mental health is not only the avoidance of mental health conditions. Your mental health is affected by numerous factors from your daily life, including the stress of balancing work with your health and relationships. In this section you will find resources to help you stay mentally fit and healthy across the lifespan.

Children and Youth

Approximately 1 in 5 children and youth in Ontario have a mental health challenge. It is also estimated that about 70% of mental health challenges have their onset in childhood or youth. Children and youth show their problems in different areas of their lives and in a variety of ways. For example, a child or adolescent who functions well at home may face challenges in

another setting, such as in the classroom or with peers that may negatively impact their mental health. Some young people may show signs of anxiety or depression, while others may exhibit aggression, become involved with the justice system, or have difficulties with substance use. [Find more information about child and youth mental health and services in Ontario.](#)

CMHA Ontario is actively involved in a number of different initiatives aimed at supporting mental health of children and youth. Funded by the Ministry of Children and Youth Services, CMHA Ontario led the [Working with Children and Youth with Complex Mental Health Needs](#) project, which was aimed at supporting direct service providers of children and youth by enhancing their skills in core service areas. In 2015, HIGH FIVE, in collaboration with CMHA Ontario launched the new in-person training, [Strengthening Children's Mental Health](#), for anyone running children's programs to provide more education on positive mental health in children. CMHA Ontario also partnered with Ontario Hockey League to launch [Talk Today](#) in 2014 to raise awareness about suicide and promoting the mental health of young athletes. www.https://cmha.ca

Our Journey to Becoming More Equity Literate

Principles of Equity Literacy

An important aspect of equity literacy is its insistence on maximizing the integrity of transformative equity practice. That means not being lulled by popular diversity approaches and frameworks that pose no threat to inequity. The principles of equity literacy help us to ensure we keep a commitment to equity at the center of our work and conversation. Download and share these principles [here](#).

Direct Confrontation Principle: There is no path to equity that does not involve a direct confrontation with inequity.

"Poverty of Culture" Principle: Inequities are primarily power and privilege problems, not primarily cultural problems, so equity requires power and privilege solutions, not just cultural solutions.

Equity Ideology Principle: Equity is more than a list of simple practical strategies; it is a lens and an ideological commitment.

Prioritization Principle: Each policy and practice decision should be examined through the question, "How will this impact the most marginalized members of our community?"

Redistribution Principle: Equity is about redistributing access and opportunity, so equity initiatives should be about redistributing access and opportunity.

#FixInjusticeNotKids Principle: Equity initiatives focus, not on fixing marginalized people, but instead on fixing the conditions that marginalize people.

One Size Fits Few Principle: Identity-specific equity frameworks (like "the culture of poverty" or group-level "learning styles") almost always are based on stereotypes, not equity.

Evidence-Informed Equity Principle: Equity initiatives should be based on evidence of what works rather than trendiness.

<https://www.equityliteracy.org/equity-literacy>



GRADE 8 GRADUATION

Our Grade 8 students will be celebrating the end of their elementary school days in June. More information will be made available in the upcoming weeks. Due to restrictions, we will need to follow the advice given to us from Public Health and the HWDSB. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Cantwell or the school at 905-662-8425.

Things We Need to Know:

[R.L. Hyslop Closing Celebration](#)

A Virtual Slideshow of Memories!



All Families, Friends, And Community Members are invited to view The R.L. Hyslop Virtual Slideshow of Memories! We are planning a virtual celebration as we look back on the many years of learning and laughter at R.L. Hyslop School! This will be posted on HWDSB TV... more information to come.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration is now OPEN! If you have a child in the area who will be 4 or 5 years of age by December 31, 2021 - please contact the office about registering the child for Junior or Senior Kindergarten at **905-662-8425**.

R.L. Hyslop SCHOOL CLOSURE – JUNE 2021

As you know, R.L. Hyslop School is closing its doors on June 29th. Through submission by the School Naming Advisory Committee, Trustees approved **Collegiate Elementary School** as the name for the new school.

The students from Green Acres and RL Hyslop will be moving over to Collegiate Elementary School in September 2021. Please continue to visit our Board and School Websites for updates.

A newsletter filled with information for the 2021-2022 school year will be posted at the end of June. It will give parents information regarding School Bell Times, Nutritional Breaks, School Calendar, etc... for the new Collegiate Elementary School!

HEALTH AND SAFETY DURING A HEAT EVENT



A heat event occurs when the forecast calls for one or more days with a 40 or higher humidex reading. The

City of Hamilton Public Health Department monitors weather forecasts closely and notifies the media and community partners of a heat event.

Once HWDSB has been notified of a heat event, information will be posted on our website and the following precautionary steps will be taken for students and staff:

- Limit physical outdoor activities
- Ensure access to water
- Close drapes and blinds
- Move pupils through cooler areas of the school
- Monitor students for symptoms of heat stress

For more information, or steps you can

take to reduce risks during heat events, please visit the following websites:

City of Hamilton

<http://bit.ly/22hvHDL>

Health Canada

<http://bit.ly/1TmNJih>

"END OF YEAR" NEWSLETTER COMING SOON...



Next Meeting Date: Last meeting of the year – Wednesday June 2nd 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm via MS Teams. Please email our School Council Chair to ensure you are added to the Teams invite list!

Are you interested in volunteering next year? Please take a moment to complete this quick Parent & Care Provider Volunteer Survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9CWV7Y>

For more information about School Council, please reach out to our Chair, Christine Scheewe, by email: RLHyslopSC@hwdsb.on.ca