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Wards 5 & 10 Newsletter



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Hello families and staff of East Hamilton and Stoney Creek,

We've had a great start to 2023, and it has been wonderful to hear about the different activities happening at each of our schools.

It's been an honour and privilege to attend Board Meetings, where important discussions about student learning and achievement, positive culture and well-being, and more are taking place. Trustees continue to advocate for all students, staff, and families in their respective wards.

It was also wonderful to attend the Language Friendly School (LFS) flag raising ceremony at Glendale! It's officially the first and only secondary school with the LFS designation in North America. What an incredible accomplishment for staff and students. Read more on the [HWDSB website](https://www.hwdsb.on.ca).

As a member of the Policy Committee, I was very happy to see the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy passed by the Board of Trustees. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this important policy.

I look forward to doing more school visits over the next few months to see, firsthand, how our students and staff are doing.

Please reach out anytime if you have questions or comments.

Thank you,

Todd White

School Renewal Updates

Glendale Secondary – Washroom and changeroom renovations are about to begin. The building permit application has been submitted. The intention is to commence construction in summer 2023, and carry on with renovations throughout the school year and into early 2024.



March Break in the Ward

[Spring Tide Bulb Show and Spring at the Cottage](#)

March 10 – 19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Gage Park Greenhouse
1000 Main Street East, Hamilton

[A Monumental March Break](#)

March 13 - 17, 12 – 4 p.m.
Battlefield House Museum & Park
77 King St. West, Stoney Creek

[Hamilton Bulldogs v. Ottawa 67's](#)

March 12 at 2 p.m.
First Ontario Centre
101 York Blvd, Hamilton

[Hamilton Public Library](#)

Various activities
Various dates and locations
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Sharing news about Board of Trustee work and activities is important to keeping you informed!

Emphasis on Human Rights

At HWDSB, we believe that all students need to be safe, supported, and included in schools. Trustees passed a collection of policies that support this direction. Policies approved include the [Human Rights Policy](#), [Anti-Black Racism Policy](#), [Whistleblower Policy](#), and [Bullying Prevention and Intervention Policy](#).

School Environments

Indoor and outdoor school environments are important to student learning and well-being. Trustees have approved investments that will support students during severe weather.

- **Snow Clearing:** In response to feedback from families and staff, the Board of Trustees approved the removal of snow from sections of blacktop areas. This change will improve student safety and increase accessibility for students with mobility challenges during snowy or icy conditions.
- **High Heat/Humidity:** Trustees approved the investment in new monitoring units that allow measurement of indoor school conditions when there is extreme heat with high humidity. Schools have plans to reduce activities and provide access to cooler spaces when needed. In extreme circumstances, severe heat and humidity in a school may result in a school closure under the Inclement Weather Policy.

Strategic Directions

Trustees are preparing to set a renewed vision and focus for HWDSB to best serve students and school communities now and in the future. We will be seeking your input on HWDSB's strategic directions in the coming months. We are excited to set new priorities, and look forward to hearing from students, staff, families, and the community this spring. Please watch for further information.