

**Community Weekly Time Lion
Hear us Roar**



October 2 - 6

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| Monday, October 2 | Day 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30AM Emergency Evacuation Drill |
| Tuesday, October 3 | Day 5 | |
| Wednesday, October 4 | Day 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terry Fox Run/Walk Period 7&8 |
| Thursday, October 5 | Day 2 | Rain Date Scheduled for Terry Fox |
| Friday, October 6 | Day 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reorganization First Day <p>Students will move to their new assigned class or welcome new peers joining their existing class.</p> <p><i>Happy Thanksgiving Weekend!</i></p> |

- **Thanksgiving Monday October 9**
- **Individual Education Plans due – October 10 (4PM)**
- **ROAR Assemblies 9:30AM K-3, 10:15AM 4-8**
- ***Open House – October 26 5:00-6:30PM***

Important Updates

School Reorganization

Each fall, HWDSB reviews elementary student enrolment in schools, and reorganizes staffing if actual enrolment differs from spring projections. It is normal for student enrolment to fluctuate a little. This year, our school enrolment is higher than the spring projections.

Specifically, at our school, the reorganization will mean:

- Creating an additional Kindergarten class and primary class.

- A slight change in our junior and intermediate classes (i.e., Straight 4 to a combined 4/5 and a combined 6/7 to become a straight 7)
- A slight decrease in class sizes across all grades

A small portion of our student population will be moved to a new class to meet Ministry cap class sizes across the school. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding.

We will be sharing this information with students and their families that are impacted by the reorganization on Tuesday, October 3rd. Students that may be receiving a new teacher, moving classes, or greeting new peers on Friday, October 6th. The new classes will maintain this organization until the end of the school year.

As always, our team of dedicated educators will work with you to ensure your child is well supported and experiences educational success.

Students Enjoyed the Ride Program this Week





Congratulations to your baseball players for their hard work and efforts in Baseball this September Season! Way to Go SWL!



School Council

Our school council team met on Thursday, September 28 to discuss information connecting with SWL's School Annual Plan and our upcoming Open House. Various planning committees (i.e., Lunch Days, Art evening for students and families) to support SWL were also formed during this time. Thank you to our parents and caregivers able to attend. We welcome all parents/guardians/caregivers to join in our School Council meetings this year. Council meetings will be held on our second floor in our Learning Commons space. The dates for planned meetings are below.

October 17 6PM

January 16 6PM

April 16 6PM

June 4 6PM

Positions & Members

Co-chairs: Jessica Codd & Jessica Walker

Treasurer: Kimberly Donmoyer Fong

Secretary: Ashley Hinks

Members at Large

Nicole Oliver

Kelly Harrison

Lucy Rodrigues

Heather Jensen

Kate Witmer

Michael Hablah

Natasha Ivetic

Katarina Pock

Previous Update

Supporting a Positive Return to School

HWDSB will continue to offer a wide variety of mental health supports for students. This is especially important during the return to school, which can

be stressful for some students. See some supportive tips in our recent [We Help Update](#) on our blog. Explore our [We Help web page](#) for more evidence-based and timely school-based mental health services and supports.

Across HWDSB, we are also reintroducing a welcoming, inclusive initiative to help students as they return to school. Reimagining Wellness 3.0 is a series of lessons and activities for elementary students which address needs that have arisen in the past few years.

Re-Imagining Wellness First 30 Days and Top 5 Bullying Prevention Lessons this month

Educators will instruct and engage students in a variety of lessons this month to support student wellness and bullying prevention. Mental Health Literacy will be covered in October. Themes of these lessons will include the following;

1. Healthy Relationships – Human Rights
2. Mental Health Literacy in the Classroom – Thoughts, Emotions and Actions
3. Introducing Bullying Prevention – Teasing, Aggression and Bullying
4. Collaborative Classroom Agreements
5. Barrier-free Reporting – HWDSB Helps

