Community Weekly Time Lion Swi Hear us Roar		
February 5-9		
African Heritage Month & Black History Month (Feb)		
Chinese Heritage Month (Feb)		
Monday, February 5	Day 5	
Tuesday, February 6	Day 1	
Wednesday, February 7	Day 2	<ul> <li>Wear Yellow – Winter Walk to School</li> <li>Wellness Wednesday</li> <li>Boys Basketball</li> </ul>
Thursday, February 8	Day 3	
Friday, February 9	Day 4	Grad Photos & Picture Retakes

<u>Upcoming Events</u> February 16 – Term 1 Reports go Home

## WINTER WALK DAY

Schools across Ontario will celebrate Winter Walk Day with special announcements and reminders during the month of February. Students are encouraged to participate by walking and wheeling to school.

A friendly reminder that our parking lot is for drop off only (1 min max) when necessary. Our buses, taxis and other vehicles need to move safely and timely through the drive through area. Families, please do not leave your vehicles in fire lanes and in areas that are not designated parking spots. Pylons have been placed around these areas to help identify no parking zones. We have almost 800 students at SWL and will not have space for parking during entry/dismissal. We continue to encourage families to walk with their children to school.



Say hello in a SWEET way this Valentine's Day!

Pack of 2 Chocolate Chip Cookies for \$2 1 Valentine's Day Themed Cookie for \$2

Limited quantities available for purchase February 14 Pre-orders being taken until February 5, 2024 Pay via Cash or School Cash Online



## **Black History Month**

SWL will continue to recognize Black History Month this February through classroom lessons and announcement sharing. Below is a link of some resources HWDSB is sharing with educators and families as well. Please feel free to share with your child the importance of this month and recognition.

HWDSB is home to so many outstanding contributors. All the work that we do supports students and the message, "**Be You. Be Excellent.**"

https://www.hamilton.ca/things-do/festivals-events/black-history

https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/black-historymonth.html

https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/about/equity/anti-black-racism-policy/

## March 1 Professional Activity Date Change

As you may be aware, a rare total solar eclipse is set to unfold on Monday, April 8, 2024, creating temporary darkness over certain parts of Ontario. Although the eclipse's trajectory will mostly impact Southern and Eastern Ontario, people outside this trajectory will be able to observe a partial solar eclipse, during which the sun is not hidden in totality. Within our region, it is our understanding the eclipse will begin approximately 2:03 pm and conclude about 4:31 pm, roughly lasting 2 hours and 27 minutes. Out of concern for student safety and well-being, and to mitigate any operational impacts that may be caused by the eclipse, the Board of Trustees has approved the move of our Professional Activity Day scheduled for **Friday, March 1, 2024, to Monday, April 8, 2024.**