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Principal Report – June

1. Program Strategy Survey for Families – closes June 11

The survey link below is an opportunity for you to have your voice. The survey is designed to gather board and diverse feedback on how HWDSB's Elementary Program Strategy, Secondary Program Strategy, and French Immersion Location Strategy and Application Process align with our Board's values, priorities, and goals as outlined in the Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

Here is the link to the parent/guardian survey: <https://hwdsbreviewparent.malatest.net/>

This survey is available in English, Arabic, Farsi, French, Mandarin (simplified), Pashto, Punjabi, Somali, Spanish, Urdu, and Vietnamese.

2. Professional Development and School Improvement

Recent Staff Meetings - Indigenous Connections in Curriculum and Resources

- Math Lesson with connections to Indigenous learning and teaching
 - Exploring instructional strategies that support inclusion such as Talking Circles
 - ROAR Assembly
- Read Aloud - Walking Together*
-Each class created commitments of how they plan to take care of the land
-Continued learning of partnerships with local Indigenous communities

PA Day June 6

Report Card Writing Day for Educators

Educational Assistants – engaging in professional development

3. EQAO continuing with Grade 3 & 6

4. Days/Month of Significance

National Indigenous History Month

At HWDSB we continue our collective work to revitalize, reclaim, renew, restore & celebrate Indigenous ways of knowing.

Pride Month

Pride Month is an annual event typically celebrated in June around the world. Over the course of the month, we at HWDSB strive to recognize and celebrate Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ contributions, identities, and the allies who stand in solidarity and support. It is also a time of action; a time to raise awareness and develop actionable items relating to the rise in discrimination, hate, and violence toward Two Spirit and LGBTQIA+ people and communities, both locally and abroad.

Filipino Heritage Month

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario declared June as Filipino Heritage Month in 2021. The Filipino community is one of the largest and fastest growing diasporas in Canada. Canada and Ontario recognize the positive contributions, both past and present, made by the Filipino community. June represents a culturally significant time in Filipino history, as June 12th represents Filipino independence and separation from Spanish rule.

Italian Heritage Month

The month of June was proclaimed as Italian Heritage Month in Ontario in 2010. More than 1,500,000 Italian Canadians call Ontario home, and the province recognizes their economic, political, social and cultural contributions and achievements.

Portuguese Heritage Month

The Legislative Assembly of Ontario proclaimed the month of June as Portuguese History and Heritage Month in 2001, the year that marked the 500th anniversary of

the arrival of Portuguese explorers in Canada. One of the largest Portuguese diasporas in the world call Canada home.

5. Upcoming Important Dates

Access Athletics – June 4

Soccer Tournament – June 5

Track & Field – June 9, 16

SWL Talent Show June 12

Commencement – June 17

THANK YOU TO OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL FOR ALL YOUR TIME AND CARE THIS YEAR! AMAZING SUPPORT.

-Fundraisers

-Family Art Evening

-Winter Wonderland

-Friendship February

-Supporting School Healthy Initiatives with our HAT team

-Open House/Kinder Orientation

-Nutrition Program

Teacher Report

- Extra-curricular clubs (new clubs continuing)
- Extra-curricular sports continued (track, soccer)
- Excursions currently occurring (i.e., McMaster exploration, Mary Poppins Play at Glendale, Bienestock)