



Viola Desmond Elementary School

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School Website: www.hwdsb.on.ca/violadesmond/



Progress Reports



Elementary Progress Report Cards are used to inform parents and families of the progress students are making toward the achievement of curriculum expectations for each subject. Progress Reports focus on what students have learned and describe their significant strengths while identifying next steps for improvement. Parents and caregivers who wish to discuss their child/ren's progress should contact their child's educator.

Please note that there is no scheduled P.A. Day for parent-teacher conferences this term.

Parent Council

Congratulations and thank you to our returning Chair – Ms. L. Neubrand and our new Co- Chair – Mrs. A Lloyd for volunteering to lead our School Parent Council.

Meeting Dates:

Nov. 30, 2022

March 1, 2022

May 31, 2023

Volunteers!

Volunteers are always needed at Viola Desmond. Please consider getting a police check and joining us in our classrooms, on Field Trips or on our

New Staff

Please join us in welcoming the following new staff to Viola Desmond:
Megan Caldwell - (FDK 8 teacher)
Slavenka Pesko - (DECE FDK 7)
Greg Kendall - (Grade 5/6)
Felicia Voordenhout- (EA)(LTO)



Upcoming Dates

Nov. 4 - MacMillan Fundraiser cash orders due. Final orders online are due Nov. 7.

Nov. 9 - Senior Boys Volleyball Team double header here against Lake Avenue and W.H. Ballard. The first game starts at 3:45.


Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day

Upcoming Trips

Nov. 21 - Gr. 7 Trip to RBG


Dec. 4 - Gr. 4 Trip to RBG

Dec. 7 - Grades 4-6 Trip to a Bulldogs Hockey Game

	Nutrition or Fundraising Teams!		
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<p><i>Bus Safety</i> For everyone's safety please do not cross the road in the Bus Drop Off Zone. It is very dangerous to walk between buses, so we encourage everyone to use the crosswalk with the crossing guard. We ask that everyone avoid making 3-point turns in the Bus Drop off Zone as it increases congestion in front of the school.</p>	<p><i>Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test (CCAT7).</i> Each year Grade 4 students across HWDSB complete the Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test (CCAT7). It is administered in HWDSB as an in-person test only. No preparation is necessary for the test. Assessments at Viola Desmond will take place during the first learning block of the day. Dates are to be determined.</p>	<p><i>Halloween Parade</i> Unfortunately, due to the inclement weather the morning of October 31 we had to cancel our Primary / Junior Costume Parade. Due to the size of our school population and having over 185 kindergarten students alone, we would not have been able to invite all our families inside the school to view the parade. Hopefully, next year the weather cooperates, and we can try again.</p>
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School Operations:

<p><u>School Messenger</u> If your child is going to be absent from school or coming in late, please report their absence in School Messenger. If you are having issues with your Parent Portal and cannot access School Messenger, please call 1-844-506-4350 to report their absence.</p>	<p><u>ACCESS TO PLAYGROUND</u> Due to the large numbers and for the safety of our students, parents/ guardians are asked to remain on the perimeter of the playground during morning entry and after school dismissal.</p>	<p><u>BELL TIMES</u>  <u>Supervision</u> <u>Begins:</u> 8:30 am Entry: 8:45 am Nutrition Break #1: 10:25 - 11:05 am Nutrition Break #2: 12:45 - 1:25 pm Dismissal: 3:05 pm Supervision Ends: 3:20 pm</p>	<p><u>Media Consent and Verification Forms</u> Please complete and return your child's media consent and verification forms as soon as possible. If you do not have a copy, please contact the school or your child's teacher to let them know and we will provide another copy.</p>
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FUNDRAISING

SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER!

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Buy Mabel's Labels waterproof, durable labels to help reduce classroom mix-ups and keep your items coming home!



Go to campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for

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fundraising program is a simple and practical way to raise funds for your school, daycare, team, camp or organization. All the while making moms happy by keeping kids gear out of the lost and found.

Here at Viola Desmond our lost and found bins are overflowing! Take advantage of this opportunity to label your child's belongings and support your school at the same time!

[Fundraising Support | Mabel's Labels | Raise Funds With Kids Labels \(mabelslabels.ca\)](#)

Search: Viola Desmond (Hamilton)



HOODIE \$40

ADULT	S	M	L	XL	XXL
YOUTH	S	M	L	XL	

TEE SHIRT \$20

ADULT	S	M	L	XL	XXL
YOUTH	S	M	L	XL	

VIOLA DESMOND SPIRITWEAR & GRAD WEAR

Viola Desmond Families – Our school spirit wear & grad wear for the 2022-2023 school year is finally here! Please visit the link below to see all available options.

In order to receive your orders by Christmas, please submit your order by **NO LATER THAN: Thursday, November 3rd, 2022**

[ViolaDesmond SpiritwearCatalogue2022](#)

[ViolaDesmond Grad2022 Catalogue](#)

All orders must be submitted through School Cash Online. Please refer to the “School Cash Online” tab on our home page for instructions.

Viola Desmond Spiritwear

ATC™ EVERYDAY FLEECE HOODED SWEATSHIRT
Screen printed logo
HOODY SIZES:
ADULT SMALL - 4x1
YOUTH SMALL - XL
Price: \$40 all in
UNISEX

ATC™ EVERYDAY COTTON TEE
Screen printed logo
TEE SIZES:
ADULT SMALL - 5x1
YOUTH XS-XL
Price: \$20 all in
UNISEX

Viola Desmond Spiritwear

ATC™ PRO TEAM SHORTS
6-inch, 100% performance polyester jersey with wicking technology
Screen printed logo
SHORTS:
Youth Sizes: XS(2-4), S(6-8), M(10-12), L(14-18), XL(18-20)
Adult Sizes: XS - 4XL
Price: \$30 each all in
UNISEX

ATC™ EVERYDAY FLEECE SWEATPANTS
-13oz 50/50 cotton poly fleece
Screen printed logo
PANTS:
Youth Sizes: S(6-8), M(10-12), L(14-18), XL(18-20)
Adult Sizes: S-4XL
Price: \$40 each all in
UNISEX

Viola Desmond Spiritwear

ATC™ EVERYDAY KMT CUFF TOQUE
Embroidered logo
Solid 12" Cuffed Beanie
Price: \$25 each all in
ONE SIZE FITS MOST

Student Name:		
Item:	Size:	Cost:
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Item:	Size:	Cost:
TOTAL:		

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