



School Newsletter



Principal's Message



February has arrived and it's hard to believe that we are entering the second half of the school year! With the conclusion of term one, report cards will be sent home on Tuesday, February 13th. We encourage you to reflect and discuss the report card with your child focusing on the key learnings, their strengths and next steps for improvement. This discussion is valuable in promoting ongoing learning and improvement.

It was great to hear about the great turnout of families at Westwood's first family movie night of the school year. A big thank you to our school council, parents and school staff that volunteered their time in order for the event to take place. I look forward to attending and seeing our Westwood families at our next movie night on Thursday, March 1st!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Kindergarten Registration Starts

- Monday, February 5th

Report Cards Go Home

- Tuesday, February 13th

Valentines Day

- Wednesday ,
February 14th

Family Day

- February 19th - NO
SCHOOL

Family Movie Night

- Thursday, March
1st

PICKUP/DROP OFF

Please DO NOT come into the circular drive between 8:30 and 9:15 AM or between 2:30 and 3:15 PM. This is the drop-off time for our special-needs busses only. Even if you are running late, park your car at the Westmount parking lot, then walk your children in. The priority is our special-needs busses.

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR WEBSITE

Subscribe to our school website. Enter your email address to receive messages when our website is updated. Stay in the loop when we update items such as field trip details, special food days and more. Learn more by visiting the Subscribe page on our website at www.hwdsb.on.ca/Westwood/subscribe

SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

Thank you to our families that attended our first family movie night of the year. It was a great success and we look forward to seeing more families at our next movie night on Thursday, March 1st. We will be collecting canned goods and/or non-perishable food items before the movie (not mandatory but appreciated)

School council is also looking for more volunteers to help with the school nutrition program. Volunteers do not have to commit to helping 5 days per week. Any time volunteers can spare would be greatly appreciated.

HWDSB Launches Parent Voice Survey to Gather Input For Improvement

Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) invites parents, guardians and caregivers to participate in a Parent Voice Survey to share what you think HWDSB is doing well, and how might HWDSB improve its education services.

Parents, guardians and caregivers play an important role in HWDSB and we value your opinion. Your feedback helps us make decisions about how we deliver school services for students.

HWDSB has made a commitment to partner with its parent/guardian and caregiver communities, and to work together to help students learn and grow to their full potential. This survey should take no longer than 15 minutes to



complete. There are no right or wrong answers. All data collected in this survey is anonymous and combined as a group. You can find the survey online at https://hwdsb.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3TKK1aKCPgO8e3j

If you would like to learn more about how we use the data and maintain your privacy, please click [here](#) .

Thank you for taking the time for this survey and helping HWDSB with your feedback.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2018

Kindergarten Registration for September 2018 will begin on February 5, 2018. If you know people in the community with age appropriate children, please let them know. To register, you must bring a birth certificate, immigration or equivalent papers (if born outside of Canada), an immunization record and proof of address. The office is open from 8:30 to 3:30, although no one may be available for registration from 11:45-12:45. We hope to see you and your young students soon. For more information, visit

<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/kindergarten>

