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THE NEWSLETTER OF HAWTHORNE VILLAGE PS

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February 2012

5th Annual PIC Conference

Parents/guardians are invited to attend the 5th annual PIC Conference on

Saturday, October 20, 2012
8:00 a.m – 2:30 p.m.


MM Robinson High School
(2425 Upper Middle Rd., Burlington L7P 3N9)

Key Note Speaker:
David Booth

Registration opens in August
<http://registrations.hdsb.ca/picreg/>

Free child-minding available on request.

For more information contact Denise Pearson at 905-335-3663 ext. 3307 or pearsonde@hdsb.ca.



Art Room News

Congratulations to the 30 Grade 6, 7, and 8 students who signed up for the winter session of clay class.

This time around we are making one mosaic project using our own homemade tiles. It is a lengthy and difficult process and all of our artists are dedicated and very hard working!



Mr. G. Clatworthy, Principal
Mrs. M. Limanni, Vice Principal
Mrs. E. Ursel, Vice-Principal

Mrs. D. Serneels, Senior Secretary
Mrs. K. Macdonald-Ujvari, Secretary
Mrs. B. Dellaire, Secretary

Mrs. K. Tyler, Secretary
Mrs. N. MacNeill, Trustee
Mr. Y. Obeng, Superintendent

Calendar Updates!

- Feb. 1 Kindie A Pizza Day
- Feb. 2 Pizza Day
- Feb. 2 Movie Night-7pm-"Puss'n'Boots"
- Feb. 3 P.A. Day-**No School**
- Feb. 6 Winter Café for 5-3 & 5s from 4/5-1
- Feb. 8 Valentine's Dance for Grade 7 & 8
- Feb. 10 Kindergarten "B" Track Friday
- Feb. 13 Gr. 6, 7 & 8s Ski Trip
- Feb. 15 Kindie A Pizza Day
- Feb. 16 Pizza Day
- Feb. 17 Kindergarten "A" Track Friday
- Feb. 20 Family Day-**No School**
- Feb. 23 Kindie B Dance-A-Thon
- Feb. 24 Dance-A-Thon!
- Feb. 24 Kindergarten "B" Track Friday
- Feb. 27 School Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- Feb. 29 Kindie A Pizza Day
- Mar. 1 Pizza Day

Don't forget to check our website for a complete calendar of events!

Contest Reminder!

Just a reminder about the Hawthorne Village Reads Photo Contest!
Please submit a photo of yourself reading.
Be creative and unique.
Contest Ends on February 28th!!

Lunch Drop-offs

If you are bringing in a lunch for your child, please ensure that their name and class code are on the outside of their lunch bag and place it on the table in the hallway across from the office.
Thank you!





Current Events



Everyone loves the Winter Café!

The hot chocolate and cookie event started in December has proven to be a huge success! Therefore we will continue to invite different classes down to the café during first nutrition break to purchase hot chocolate and/or cookies for \$1.00 each. Students are encouraged to bring their own mug in keeping with our efforts to be environmentally friendly!



School Parking Lot



A reminder to parents from school council and staff that the south parking lot is for staff use only. The north lot usually has some spaces available. The lots are constantly congested at drop off and pick up times. This presents immediate safety concerns and have serious issues relating to our environment. Over-flow parking can occur on the street or you can use the empty lot at the park north of Bennett. If you do park at the school, please respect our environment by **NOT IDLING** while you wait!



HUSKIES



Volleyball Try-outs

Grade 5 Boys and Girls Volleyball try-outs will begin after Family Day (Feb. 20th).

Hawthorne Huskies Tournament

Congratulations to our Grade 6 Boys volleyball team who claimed Gold at their own Tournament on January 24th!



Eye See...Eye Learn

How Well Can Halton See?

The Halton District School Board encourages all Junior Kindergarten students to have a comprehensive eye exam this year through Eye See...Eye Learn program-- a **FREE childhood health awareness program**.

Fact: One in six children has a vision problem but too often children don't have a comprehensive eye exam before starting school.

Fact: Young children don't know what normal vision is supposed to look like and seldom complain to their parents. Some show no signs of a problem at all.

Your current JK students are eligible for a comprehensive eye exam (covered by your child's health card), and if required, one **FREE** pair of brand new high quality eyeglasses until June 30, 2012. There is no cost to participate. Children registering for JK for September can pre-book their exams now to take place after July 1, 2012.

All children up to 19 years of age are eligible for an annual OHIP-insured eye exam by an optometrist. Simply present the child's health card at the time of the exam.

The Eye See...Eye Learn program and the HDSB are dedicated to helping all children see, learn and develop to the best of their ability.

For more information on the program or children's vision, please visit the website www.EyeSeeEyeLearn.ca or call toll free (855) 424-ESEL (3735).

The Eye See...Eye Learn program is funded in part by the Government of Ontario.



Dance -A-Thon

Just a reminder to everyone at Hawthorne Village, that our annual Dance-A-Thon is quickly approaching. The excitement is building and we need to get everyone involved. This means collecting pledges and bringing in an item for our basket raffles. Our students will be dancing during the day, then in the evening, bring the whole family out for a great time. The dates again are Friday February 24th, with Kindie B only on Thursday February 23rd. Let's have everyone work together to achieve our goal!

School Council

Remember that the Lunch Lady programme is now paperless! Please go to www.lunchlady.ca to place your order for the winter session.



It's a delicious and nutritious lunch for your child and all meals meet the provincial guidelines.

Your Lunch Lady is Lisa.

You can also email her at Lisa@thelunchlady.ca or by phone at 905-812-5592 or by fax at 905-812-5596.

Student Attendance reminders!!!

If you have not already done so please provide the school with your email address. With this information you can be set up with an account for using the web to report your child's absences. Please report your child's absence by calling 1-877-409-6310 or log on to hdsb.schoolconnects.com. This must be done by 9:30am on the day you are reporting for. The system will lead you through the process of reporting your child's absence. This system is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time by phone or web.

Snowballs

With the arrival of snow it becomes necessary each year to remind our students and families about the dangers of throwing snowballs at school. With over 600 students on the schoolyard at recess, students cannot be aware of all that goes on around them.

We do not allow the throwing of snowballs, many students would be hit unexpectedly and caught off guard, as well something hard or sharp could be in the snowball and we have a recipe for a serious injury if struck in the face. There are many other safe and enjoyable activities to do at recess.



Inclement Weather

If the schools are to be closed for the day, the Director of Education will make the decision by **6:30 a.m.** and radio stations will be informed. Please listen to one of the following stations for school closure information: CFRB 1010; CHML 900; CKOC 1150; CING 95.3; CHWO 740; CKFM 99.9; CHFI 98.1; CHCH-TV Channel 10 "The Morning Show"

Please do not call the school—depend on radio and television station updates. Information is also posted on the Board's website: www.hdsb.ca

If the schools are open but buses are cancelled, they are cancelled for the entire day. If you decide to bring your child to school you must also pick them up at the end of the day.

If you decide to keep your child home for the day, please call the attendance line at 1-877-409-6310.

Eco-Team Update

In January we started a Green Bin programme! It is our hope that through all of our recycling efforts we can divert approximately 70% of all waste generated by our school from landfill. Keep up the good work Huskies! We will achieve our Gold Status in no time!



Way to go Huskies!
You ROCK!

St. John Ambulance Babysitting Course

St. John Ambulance is offering a babysitting course for youth aged 11-14 on how to handle emergency situations as well as basic child care.

The course runs on Fri. Feb. 3, Mon. Mar. 12 or Thurs. Mar. 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please bring a nut free lunch). The cost of the course is \$55.00 and will be held at St. John House, 1048 Waterdown Road, Burlington.

Please call 905-634-6665 to register.





Move More, Milton!

Be active, more often

www.MoveMoreMilton.ca

Move More, Milton! is a community-wide program designed to encourage Milton residents and employees to be more active, more often and as a result – healthier! Think you need to run a marathon, work out for hours at a time or spend money to be active? Think again! You can easily include a variety of activities in your daily routine anytime and anywhere to benefit your health, maximize your mood, connect with your community and have some fun!

Get Moving on Family Day!

Move more with the whole family! Visit the Milton Sports Centre or Leisure Centre on Monday, February 20 and participate in any of the following family activities:

Milton Leisure Centre

Free! Family Activities

Soccer	9:00 – 10:00 am
Dodgeball	10:00 – 11:00 am
Zumba	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Basketball	12:00 – 1:00 pm
Old-fashioned Games	1:00 – 2:00 pm
Floor Hockey	2:00 – 3:00 pm
Sports Bonanza	3:00 – 4:00 pm

Swimming (Regular admission fees apply)

Family Swim	10:00 – 11:30 am
Leisure/Length Swim	12:00 – 1:30 pm
Seniors Swim (55+)	1:30 – 2:30 pm
All Ages Swim	2:30 – 4:00 pm

Group Fitness Classes (Regular admission fees apply)

AquaFit	9:00 – 9:50 am
Step	9:15 – 10:15 am
Mind/Body Flow	10:20 – 11:20 am
Strengthen and Tone	12:10 – 12:50 pm

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Skating (Regular admission fees apply)

Adult/Senior Skate
Family Skate
Figure Skating
Adult Shinny
Preschool Stick 'N Puck (6 yrs & under)
Adult Stick 'N Puck
Stick 'N Puck (6 - 8 yrs)
Stick 'N Puck (9 - 12 yrs)

**John Tonelli
Sports Centre
FREE! Sponsored Skates
Public Skating**
10:00 – 11:50 am
1:00 – 2:50 pm
3:00 – 4:20 pm

For an updated schedule of all Family Day activities, please visit www.MoveMoreMilton.ca or call 905-878-7946.

Move More in March!

Celebrate Move More, Milton! month in March. Try something new with your club, business, family or organization by participating in physical activity during the month of March. In 2012, our goal is 65,000 minutes of activity community-wide.

Looking for ways to stay active in March?

Visit www.MoveMoreMilton.ca to report your minutes of activity and for other ideas, like how to incorporate the signature Move More, Milton! colour, orange, into your outfit to show your creativity and commitment. Subscribe to the Move More, Milton! e-newsletter for even more ways to be more active, more often.



www.MoveMoreMilton.ca



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 20, 2012

Event Announcement: Two evenings with David Bouchard –Parent Information Night

What: David Bouchard was named to the Order of Canada in 2010 and is an acclaimed author of children's books and a champion of literacy. This former teacher and school principal has written more than 50 books in English and in French. His message focuses on books, reading and our specific responsibilities to our children and their literacy success.

He explores such topics such as the environment, history and the traditions and cultures of Canada's Aboriginal communities. You will not be disappointed in his message, his energy or his passion for books, children and literacy. This is a rare and exciting opportunity for us all.

Who: All families are invited to attend. David's message will appeal to all families, teachers, teacher librarians, literacy practitioners and administrators. HDSB/HCDSB First Nation, Métis, Inuit students and parents would find this event of particular interest. Please note that students younger than Grade 5 must be accompanied by an adult. This evening is for all Aboriginal families and other students' families.

Where: Robert Little Public School 41 School Lane, Acton

When: February 7, 2012 6:30p.m – 8:00 p.m.

Where: Rolling Meadows Public School 1522 Mountain Grove, Burlington

When: February 17, 2012 6:30p.m. -8:00p.m.

Cost: Free

Why: Bouchard's visit also serves to promote the Board's policy for self-identification of Aboriginal students. The policy is designed to: set high expectations for learner achievement, improve EQAO scores, and provide high-quality learning opportunities.

Registration: RVSP to saevils@hdsb.ca by February 6, 2012 or 905-632-4814 ext 5687. Light refreshments will be available. Door prizes

Persian (Farsi) Language School in Milton

Halton District School Board is evaluating the possibility of offering Persian Language School. Commitment representing twenty-five eligible students (JK age up to & including Grade 8 - as of September 2012) is required.

Classes could be Friday evenings, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. or Saturday mornings, 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The site would be Milton District H.S., 396 Williams Avenue (off of Commercial Street).

If interested, please Contact:

Dorothy Whiteley, Program Ad
 Phone: 905-632-2944, ext. 148
 Fax: 905-637-5390
 Email: whiteleyd@hdsb.ca

or

Touraj Pejouyan
 416-315-3900

welcome	<i>khōsh āmadīd</i>	خوش آمدید
thank you	<i>motashakkeram</i>	متشکرم
hello	<i>salām</i>	سلام
peace be upon you	<i>salām aleikom</i>	سلام علیکم
good morning	<i>sobh bekheir</i>	صبح بخیر
good night	<i>shab bekheir</i>	شب بخیر
goodbye	<i>khodāfēz or khodā hāfēz</i>	خدا حافظ
how do you do?	<i>hāl-ē shomā chetōr ast?</i>	حال شما چطور است ؟
how are you?	<i>hāl-ē shomā khūb ē?</i>	حال شما خوب است ؟
how are you doing?	<i>chetōr ē?</i>	چطور است
I'm fine	<i>alhamdolellāh</i>	الحمد لله
not bad, thanks	<i>mersī, bad nīstam</i>	مرسی، بد نیستم
what is your name?	<i>esmetān chī st?</i>	اسمتان چیست ؟
my name is...	<i>esmam...ē</i>	اسمم ... است .
bon voyage!	<i>safar bekheir!</i>	سفر بخیر !
yes	<i>balē</i>	بله
yes (question)	<i>cherā?</i>	چرا ؟
no	<i>nakheir, na</i>	نخیر یا نه
no, you must be joking	<i>na bābā</i>	نه بابا
God willing	<i>enshā'allāh</i>	انشاء الله
please	<i>lotfān</i>	لطفاً
please (offering)	<i>befarmā'īd</i>	بفرمائید
thank you	<i>mersī/tashakkor</i>	مرسی یا تشکر یا متشکرم
	<i>motashakkeram</i>	
thank you very much	<i>kheilī mamnūnam</i>	خیلی ممنونم
don't mention it	<i>ghābel nabūd</i>	قابل نبود
it's nothing	<i>chīzī nīst</i>	چیزی نیست
excuse me/sorry	<i>bebakhshīd</i>	ببخشید

To Whom It May Concern:

I would be interested in registering my child/children in a: Persian/Farsi International Language (Elementary) Program run by the Halton District School Board.

Classes would be held on the weekend, for 2-1/2 hours, and would be for a September 2012 start-up, if the required number of eligible students (to start) is met. This program would take place at a **Milton** location, to be determined.

I understand that the requirement by the Ministry of Education is that an elementary child is one who is of Junior Kindergarten age up to and including Grade 8 – for the September 2012 start-up, children born in the year 2008 would be of JK age.

Name of Child	School Currently Attending	Grade	Date of Birth

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Phone: _____

Date: _____