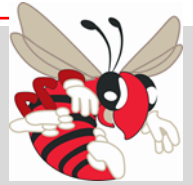


# The Hagersville Hornet

May/June, 2017



## Introducing the new MacKids mascot !

The official 2017 MacKids mascot has flown all the way to Hagersville Elementary School.

“HOOTS” will be on  
sale for **\$20**  
starting on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

H.E. S. Proudly Presents.....

Mrs. Mulholland: What did the Tin Man say when he got run over by the steamroller?

Mrs. Coate: Hmmm, I don't know, what did he say?

Mrs. Mulholland: Curses, Foiled Again!

Mrs. Coate: Bahahaha! Good one!

This lively melodrama (a dramatic form that does not observe the laws of cause and effect and that exaggerates emotion and emphasizes plot or action at the expense of characterization) is the latest endeavor of the 50 plus students in grades 3 - 8 who have been working extra hard to present this musical to staff, students, families and the community. Come one, come all! We are very excited to present Curses, Foiled Again! to you!!

When: Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

Your donation will be gratefully accepted at the door to cover set and design costs. Thank you! Mrs. Mulholland.



<http://www.granderie.ca/schools/hagersville>

### Grade 8 :

Right now we are busy learning about Classifying Organisms in Science, working with all sorts of Fractions in Math, writing thesis statements and essays in Language, and practising the various elements of movement for Dance. We are engaged with learning about different Economies in Geography, and in History, we are starting to look at Industrialization in early Canada. We are getting excited about the upcoming Track & Field days and for BASEBALL too! If you see us practising some interval running in the nearby survey, please encourage us to run faster! Many of us are getting excited about our year-end trip to Camp Muskoka next month, and it seems everyone is talking about Graduation too! It's a busy time as the grade 8's are wrapping up their entire Elementary School Career and some are already starting to look ahead to high school in the fall! Mrs. Wilhelmus



### From Kindergarten Class B:

Miss. King and Mrs. Newhouse recently shared at a Kindergarten workshop that was held at our school. Kindergarten teams from around the board came to view our classroom and to learn more about Problem Solving and Innovation and how we are using technology to document learning . We also would like to welcome Ms. Laskey who will be replacing Mrs. Newhouse while she is off on her maternity leave! We wish everyone well!

### Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart is celebrating its 35 birthday! Hagersville Elementary is pleased to be holding our event on **Monday, May 8th**. All money raised will support the Heart and Stroke Foundation in their mission to promote children's health and fund vital heart and stroke research. We need your help to meet our school's goal of \$5000. The weather man is currently promising a nice sunny day, so please remember to dress appropriately to be outside for the entire middle block. Bring a bottle of water, wear your sunscreen, a hat, good shoes and be ready to JUMP!

### Miss Skipper's Grade 2/3

Our class has been learning about pointillism. Using only primary colours, Q-Tips and a whole lot of patience, we finished our Visiting Grandmother's House artwork just in time for Grandparents Day. These turned out beautifully and are proudly displayed on the bulletin board outside our room. Come look if you have the chance. Speaking of chances, we have also been learning about probability and how to make games fair. No more bending the rules, from now on we will know if the odds are in our favour.

### Grade 5/6 Conservation

The Grade 5/6 class has been working on posters in Science class that have great slogans to encourage students and community members to conserve energy and materials. Students presented these posters in class and will now hang them around the school to remind others of how everyone can make a difference in taking care of our Earth.

Creepy, crawly, inside and out! Over the last month in our Kindergarten class it has been very exciting as far as discovering our natural environment goes! We've been outside investigating insects and worms! The little critters have even made it into our classroom as well! We've done some experiments and co-created some diagrams with vocabulary words to deepen our understanding. We are posing questions and thinking about what we wonder about. We have been watching fiction and non-fiction videos about the topics we explore and discuss the new facts that we are learning! When we can see it, touch it, and discover it, it's so intriguing to us!

Mrs. Mattice's grade 4/5 class -Has been working on multiplication facts and fractions. We are also working on an Indigenous Peoples Unit in Social Studies. We created beautiful paper totem poles and replicas of birch bark canoes. They are displayed in the display case across from the gym!

Last month the Grade 3/4 students wrote their first letter to their pen pal at Walter Gretzky School in Brantford. Now we are patiently awaiting replies and we cannot wait to hear what our pen pals have to say! In math, students have enjoyed exploring geometry and constructing 3D shapes using marshmallows or modelling clay. We have explored angles and lines in our classroom and in art. The Grade 3/4's are seamlessly using technology in their Social Studies unit. While studying the Grade 4 Heritage and Identity: Early Societies unit, students are transferring their written information from their graphic organizer into a medium they would like to use for their presentation. Some have chosen to use Minecraft to create ancient civilization worlds, while others are trying out PowerPoint and Sway. Students have exercised careful consideration to determine which program would work best for them and suit their civilization. Next week we are beginning Health presentations on Internet safety and how we can practise netiquette when online. Everyone has put a great amount of thought into their presentation and peers cannot wait to see the game shows, skits, interviews and plays that have been created!

### Mrs. Mulholland's Grade 1 class

Our class is enjoying the Spring and we can't believe how much change has occurred at the check points on our Spring Nature walk. We've had a few surprises that's for sure...buds opening that contain new buds inside, all sorts and shapes of leaves bursting out on trees, and there are even amazing small plants coming up amidst the grass!

We have enjoyed our author/illustrator study of James Marshall. He sure is funny! He loves to include chickens, bicycles, cats and lots of books in his illustrations; he loved books and so do we! Now we are studying Bill Peet whose great stories feature fantasy animals and good life lessons using rich and interesting language!

Next up in our classroom is a mini-unit for Victoria Day. Weather permitting we will end the day celebrating outside with a Victorian Tea/Bread and Cheese picnic.

### Class for the Deaf

Students in the Class for the Deaf have been busy working on Grandparent's Day Skits! They are sure to knock the suspenders off all who visit that day! We have begun our Track training and hope the rain goes away so we can resume running in the sunshine! Finally we submitted several "Canada 150" poems to the local library. We are keeping our fingers crossed! Happy Mother's Day to all! Hurray, hurray!  
The First of May!  
Mrs. Marshall

### MEC Marvels, Room 15

Our goal is learning; our methods are fun! I believe this has become our class motto!  
This month we move into investigating fractions thanks to an introduction by our student teacher, Miss Weston. We love using different manipulatives that are available to us through our extensive classroom math cart, to explore what constitutes a fraction and to investigate equivalency! We will continue to explore these fractions with some practical applications such as baking!  
Miss Weston had been coming to our class once a week since last fall; spent a final week with us the end of April and is now enjoying her summer break! We truly appreciated her dedication and thoughtfulness in the lessons she provided to our students. They shall miss her!  
Our guided reading has included lots of interesting titles found in our bookroom that is full of wonderful resources that can be shared throughout the school. The students continue to explore narratives and how to "read between the lines" by retelling their stories in different ways.  
We continue to have fun learning to type from the home row through the use of typing.com, which is a fun way to practise keyboarding skills.  
We are enjoying the preparations for Grandparents Day and look forward to a visit to HSS and their greenhouse prior to Mother's Day. Always lots to do! Mrs. Coate

### From Mr. Archer (Gr. 3)

Mr Archer's Grade three would love to say thanks to our amazing Nipissing Teaching Student; Ms. S (Presley Sibbick) for spending Mondays with us learning and teaching along side us throughout the school year! Ms. S is awesome and will be missed!

Mr. Archer, Ms. S and three amazing students traveled to Waterloo and presenting our Innovations in front of his Excellency The Governor General David Johnston, on his book release of 'Ingenious' celebrating Canada's contributions to the worlds innovations in the past 150 years. Such an amazing experience and a moment that will be forever imprinted in the students, parents and teachers involved.

Students in Mr. Archer's Classroom took part in a Canada 150; Learn, Build, Create Minecraft project and contributed 5 fantastic student created builds that can be seen at <http://bit.ly/2oSHqh5> please visit and vote with your child(s) granderie.ca email account to help our amazing builders out!

@Archers3's would also like to recognize their teacher 'King of the Nerds' Mr. Archer for receiving the Canconnect Classroom 2017 Classroom Innovator Award.

WE still need your participation!!

### **School Cash Online is here!**

Hagersville Elementary is joining the 20th century, and other GEDSB schools, and moving our money collection to an online service.

WE are 50 % there!

**[www.schoolcashonline.com](http://www.schoolcashonline.com)**

Please note, there is a help number on the card for your reference. Should anyone require technology services, a secure computer site is available at the school for parents to use. We look forward to your participation in this *exciting adventure!*

*Parent help desk 1-866-961-1803*



From the Grade 6/7 room:

Hello Everyone, in the afternoons the Gr.6/7's are working on heat in the environment and space in science class. Tomorrow we are skypeing a geologist from Yellowstone National Park as he walks us through the park. We are training for track and field in Phys Ed. In art we are working on still life pencil sketching and tonal shading. In History we learning about the Acadian deportation and the 7 years war.

Mr. Butcher's Grade 3 class has just completed some amazing painting using various forces from their science unit. While extremely messy (especially the pendulum painting) the results are truly outstanding.

Mrs. Marshall's class is busy creating art which focuses on their hands. These pieces will be entered into the Ontario Deaf Foundation calendar contest.

Good luck to each of them in the contest.

All the students in Room 8 are busy getting ready for the May 16th Special Education Olympics at Cayuga Secondary School. Ball throw, long jump and ring toss are just a few of the events each of the students have been practicing. We are currently making our Mother's Day presents and cards so they will be ready to home on Friday May 12th

Volunteers!

Many parents' volunteer police checks are due to expire over the summer and fall. Due to the long wait times experienced at different times of the year, we would suggest that a new request form be obtained from the office ASAP and be submitted so that they are in place for the start of the new school year. Thank you!

Retirements:

We will be celebrating with Mrs. Irvine and Mrs. Walker as they are moving on to the excitement and opportunities of retirement! Students and staff will miss their energy as well as the contributions they have made to our school. We wish them all the best and we will miss them dearly!



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Apr-30	<b>May-1</b> 6:30pm Baseball; Extra Innings Base... 7:30pm Hip Hop	2 6:00pm Parent Council meeting 7:30pm soccer; soc...	3	4 Hydro safety presentations-all g... Peter Pan Play- Jar...	5 grandparents day hot lunch	6
7	8 Jump rope for heart 7:30pm Hip Hop	9 School community clean up and spirit ... 6:30pm soccer; soc...	10	11	12 hot lunch student ed tech celebrations	13
14	15 Eco school visit; Kri... 12:00pm Copy: sch... 7:30pm Hip Hop	16 Right to give celeb... 6:30pm school pla... 6:30pm soccer; soc...	17 12:00pm School musical communit... 6:00pm Baseball-e...	18 Field day moved to the 30th-field to wet to bring sand in for long jump	19 hot lunch	20
21	22 Bread and Cheese ... Victoria Day (many... 7:30pm Hip Hop	23 Copy: Track Day at HSS; Wilhelmus, Ta... 6:30pm soccer; soc...	24 HEP-B #2 & HPV .	25 EQAO JUMP trip Waterfest-grade 4 ...	26 hot lunch	27
28	29 rain date for track 7:30pm Hip Hop	30 Field Day- Junior and intermediate studnets	31	Jun-1 National Aboriginal Month	2 hot lunch-pizza	3

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May-28	29	30	31	Jun-1	2	3
	rain date for track 7:30pm Hip Hop	rain date for field events		National Aboriginal Month	hot lunch-pizza	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Tom Longboat Day	7:30pm Hip Hop		supermeet track and field; Hagersville Seco local food fair & Red and Black spirit day; town; Hu...	Library closed all ... 8:00am sub day	PA day for assessment and Evaluation	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Grade 8 trip			Medeval times-grades 3,4,5		
	7:30pm Hip Hop		Play day - middle b... 6:00pm Welcome t...			
18	19	20	21	22	23	
	7:30pm Hip Hop	swim to survive-gr.3			CAGE track and field meet; Kiwanis Field at PJ, Brantford	
			Intermediate 3-pitc... National Aborigina...			
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	graduation report card go home				P.D day	

**CAGE track and**

**Start:** 23/06/2017

**End:** 24/06/2017

**Location:** Kiwanis l

**Reminder:** None

# Reading At Home...

## Can Make A HUGE Difference!



### Choose Books That Are At An Appropriate Reading Level For Your Child

- 📖 Use the five finger rule. Open the book to any page and ask your child to read. Put up a finger every time your child does not know a word. If you have put up more than five fingers before the end of the page, this book is too hard for your child.
- 📖 Choose books that match your child's likes and interests.



### Make Reading A Part Of Your Family Time!

Family time is so important... Why not make reading part of this valuable time with your kids?

Here are some tips for integrating reading into our daily family activities:

- Read bedtime stories
- Play a board game
- Visit your local library
- Read a recipe and cook something yummy together!
- Create a comfy reading space in your home.
- Put your child in charge of reading the grocery list at the store.



Keep plenty of reading materials in your home: books, magazines, newspapers, and comic books. Children enjoy having a variety of reading materials!