

The Hagersville Hornet

January 2018



Principal's Corner

I was absolutely thrilled with the huge community turnout at our Christmas concert. We estimate, between both performances, over 550 came out to see the show. The students were so excited and did such an amazing job, and Hannah and Adriano made great Masters of ceremonies.

Our 'Pair tree' once again produced many sets of mittens, socks, hats and scarves. Thank you again to all the teachers, parents, grandparents and community for your support. We also raised over \$300 on Toques day for the Food Bank -thank you Mrs. Wilhelmus' class for organizing this. We raised over 1000 cans of food for the Food drive as well! A very impressive feat for our school!



Just a reminder, that with snow, students should come to school with snow pants, boots, hat and mitts. Please remind your children that the snow is communal property, and should be shared not "owned". We are working on keeping the playground interactions friendly and respectful.

Kindergarten Registration Opens in January !

Grand Erie schools are exciting, enriching places for young learners to receive an education. They learn to explore the world around them, solve problems, and make new friends.

Our Kindergarten programs help students get off to the best possible start. Your child will be challenged and encouraged to do his or her very best. Our caring teachers are with them every step of the way!

Hagersville will be taking registrations for the upcoming school year in January 2018. Please call the school to set up an appointment. Appointments will be scheduled during the month of January. Please bring the following information with you on your registration day:

- ⇒ Birth Certificate
- ⇒ Proof of address.

If your child is currently attending Kindergarten in our school, you do not need to re-register.

JK—must be must be 4 years old by December 31, 2018 to enroll.

SK—must be must be 5 years old by December 31, 2018 to enroll.

To order your copy of the Grand Erie District School Board's *Welcome to Kindergarten Guide*, visit granderie.ca to order a copy or view online.



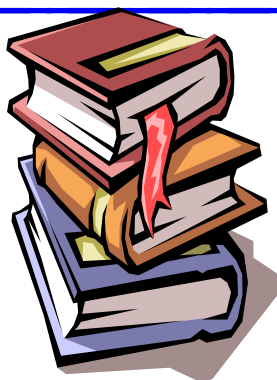
Parking Lot Reminders & Safety

If you are dropping off a child in the morning, or picking them up after-school, you **must not** come into the parking lot. Buses are being blocked and we are concerned about child safety. Students are to be dropped off at school by 8:45 and picked up at 3:05 from the roadside.

We thank you for your understanding as these are very busy times of the day and the safety of all children is our priority!

Book Fair

Our Book Fair was also a huge success and we saw lots of traffic in and out of the library. We are still waiting for final numbers, but were thrilled with the turnout!



Hagersville Elementary is in Zone 2 STSBHN's Online Bus Subscription Service

Why subscribe to the service?

STSBHN offers a free online service which allows students and parents to be electronically notified when their bus route is delayed or cancelled. The service emails a notification to all subscribers who are tracking a route if it is experiencing a delay in service or if it has been cancelled due to inclement weather.

How to subscribe to email notifications

to subscribe:

Go to www.stsbhn.ca and click on the student/ parent login button (left hand side). Next, log onto your child's account (you will need your child's: Ontario Education Number, date of birth, house # and school they are attending); click Login. Your child's transportation information should appear below. You will notice at the bottom of the webpage there is a section which allows you to put in your email address with the ability to "Subscribe" beside it. Enter in your email address and click "Subscribe". This will generate an email which will go to your email account and ask you to verify your account. When the email arrives in your inbox, click Confirm. This will create another email which will be sent to your inbox providing you with a temporary password to access and manage your subscriptions.

THINK Campaign

T—is it true?
H—is it helpful?
I—is it informative?
N—is it necessary?
K—is it kind?

Students are asked to THINK about positive behaviour choices as a result of a new campaign that supports character development, bullying prevention and safe, inclusive and accepting schools.

The THINK campaign encourages students in grades six to 12 to reflect on their actions before speaking, sending, acting or judging. THINK is an acronym for a series of questions that give students a chance to reflect on their own character and the person they want to be and how they want to act. The questions include: Is it True? Is it Helpful? Is it Informative? Is it Necessary? Is it Kind?






Principals and teachers received THINK resource packages and posters to learn how to incorporate this initiative towards creating a positive school and classroom climate, as well as to complement ongoing bullying prevention efforts already in place in schools.

Bullying prevention is a collaborative effort involving students, parents, the school system, and the local police services, where applicable.



Important dates to remember

MONTH of January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Parent council meeting—New members always welcome! 5:30 pm	10 Skating—Coate & Mulholland 	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Skating -Mattice & Skipper 	18	19	20
21	22 PD day No School	23	24 Jersey Day Skating- Wilhelmus & Eng 	25 Skating- Marshall & Sarausky 	26 Pizza Day	27
28	29 Int. Boys BB game after school at Cayuga	30	31 Skating—Comeau & Coate 			

Looking Ahead

- ♦ February 9th—Valentines dance
- ♦ February 19th—Family Day
- ♦ March 12-16—March Break

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Daily Learning Planner: Ideas Parents Can Use to Help Children Do Well in School—Try a New Idea Every Day!

- O 1. With your child, read the label on a food your family eats. How much nutrition does it provide? How much sugar is in it?
- O 2. Make a list of favorite activities you did with your child last year. Schedule time on the calendar to do some again this year.
- O 3. Talk with your child about things we get from plants (food, clothing).
- O 4. Pick a category, such as vehicles. Let your child pick a letter. How many items in the category can you each name that begin with that letter?
- O 5. Make a chore chart with your child. List chores he's responsible for and when they should be completed.
- O 6. Put an assortment of objects on a tray. Have your child look at them, then close her eyes and name as many as she can remember.
- O 7. Hold a family meeting. Discuss everyone's goals and achievements.
- O 8. Help your child find fractions in the newspaper. Which sections have the most fractions?
- O 9. Have your family try eating with chopsticks tonight.
- O 10. Post a new vocabulary word and its definition on the bathroom mirror your child uses. Change it every three or four days.
- O 11. How many farm animals can your child name?
- O 12. Ask your child what he thinks he is good at and why.
- O 13. What skill would you and your child like to learn? Check out a how-to book or video.
- O 14. Have your child alphabetize things, such as books or spices.
- O 15. Ask your child to close her eyes and describe sounds that she hears.
- O 16. Avoid overscheduling. Kids need downtime to think, imagine and play.
- O 17. After dinner, have a family sing-along. Ask family members to share their favorite songs.
- O 18. Ask your child what he would do if he were invisible for a day.
- O 19. It's National Soup Month. Make soup with your child—and enjoy the book *Stone Soup* together.
- O 20. Ask your child to help you organize something, such as a closet.
- O 21. Challenge your child to invent a delicious drink, such as "banana hot chocolate."
- O 22. Have your child pretend to be "Mayor for a Day." Brainstorm ideas to make your community a better place.
- O 23. Ask your child to read to you while you cook.
- O 24. Start a sentence-a-day story in a special notebook. Have your child add one sentence each day.
- O 25. Hunt for treasure. Make a map that will lead your child to a small treat.
- O 26. Check in the newspaper or online to see if there's a nearby place you and your child can go skating.
- O 27. Teach your child how to take her pulse. Have her jump up and down 15 times and take it again. Has it changed?
- O 28. Do a crossword puzzle together. It's a great way to learn new words.
- O 29. Suggest that your child write a letter to his favorite living author.
- O 30. At the store, have your child figure how much tax you will be charged.
- O 31. Watch a nature program on TV together.