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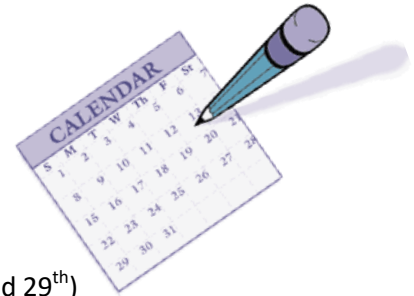
The Hagersville Hornet



It is time for our Spring newsletter when each of the teachers are asked to share a little bit of information about what they are doing in their classes and around the school. We hope you enjoy the updates!

Some dates....Looking ahead...

- Grandparents Day—May 4th,
- JUMP rope for heart May 8th (rain date the 9th)
- EQAO—Gr. 3 May 30th—June 1st & also Gr. 7&8 Ottawa trip
- EQAO—Gr. 6 May 22nd—May 24th
- Art show —May 28th
- Tentative Field date: May 17th and Track Day May 18th (rain dates May 25th and 29th)



Back By popular demand!

Little Caesar Pizza Kits fundraiser! We chose this fundraiser because they offer a quality meal at a great value! Every family member can make their own masterpiece with their own favorite toppings! What a perfect solution to quick and easy dinner. Have them on hand for practice nights, birthday parties or entertaining guests! They're fun to make and delicious to eat! There are 3 pizzas and 3 breads in the kits and 9-6 inch pizzas in the personal kits!

Profits to go towards playground enhancements for our students!

When: Forms will come home by April 3rd, 2018! Orders must be completed by noon on April 11th.

Order Your Pizza Kits On-Line: Go to www.pizzakit.ca (Make sure you are on the Canadian website.) Click on products and then shop. **FUNDRAISER # 349914** and pay with credit card.



Little Caesars®

Where: Your pizza kits will be delivered to Hagersville Elementary.
Pickup will be here at school between 3:00-6:00 pm. On Wednesday, April 25th. Please make arrangements with school if you feel you will be later than 6pm.

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

Classroom updates from Mr. Butcher (primary Prep)

Mrs. Eng's grade 2 students and Mrs. Kitchen's kindergarteners have been learning about the art of Robert Bateman. Both classes are using photos of Canadian songbirds in order to create realistic art using a variety of media. Mrs. Eng's and Mrs. Skipper's classes are hard at work earning their belts for their Recorder Karate program, while the older students at Hagersville are learning to pick tunes on the ukulele.

Mr. Butcher



Classroom updates from Mrs. Mete (LRT)

The HES STEM club has been up and running for a few months now! Grade 4-6 students have been challenged to build items using technology and engineering skills. They have made marshmallow launchers, paper circuits, balloon powered cars and toothbrush robots. Some up and coming projects include computer coding and Robotics. (Every day 1 in the Library)



The HES MINECRAFT club will start after the March break. Students will explore MINECRAFT education edition and work on collaborative building and problem solving. This club is for grade 4-6 and is every day 2 and 4 in the Library.

The HES DRAWING club will start after the March break. We have many talented artists at HES that enjoy learning from each other and improving their skills. Some other activities that we will explore in the club are animation and using the green screen to create videos. This club is for grade 7-8 and is every day 2 and 4 in the Library.

Classroom updates from Ms. Erin (DD room)

Ms. Erin's DD class has been up to some exciting things the last few months! Students have been busy as bees helping in the kitchen on a daily basis preparing a school snack basket, folding laundry and putting away dishes. Students are learning some very important life skills. We have also had a local artist visit two times to facilitate a "Paint Day" activity where students are guided step-by-step through a painting project. We had a fitness instructor from Brantford, Janice Ainsworth, come to school and put on a 30 minute "Pound" class using weighted drumsticks for our the DD, Hard of Hearing and MID classrooms. The kids had a total blast acting like rock stars! We are looking forward to a busy Spring season with trips to the bowling alley.

Classroom updates from Mrs. Kitchen and Ms. King (Kinder B)

In Math, The Kinder Bees are working on measurement. We can measure everything from our shoes to a bookshelf with snap cubes and Lego! How tall are you? We are also letting our creativity flow as we focus on our art pieces for the Art Showcase we are having for our parents in May! We have re-created works of art from famous Artists and created masterpieces with the letters in our names.



Classroom updates from Mrs. Wilhelmus (gr. 8)

In the grade 7 & 8 class we have been busy! We have a student teacher, Mr. Miles, who is part of our class until April 20. He has been helping to plan our upcoming field trip to Kanata Village on April 25, where we will be touring the buildings, learning about the history, and getting to play some traditional games and sports, as well as try our hand at some indigenous arts and crafts.

We are also hoping to go to our Annual Blue Jays game, but this year it will be on a Friday evening because the student game day is while we are away! More info will be coming home after Easter!

In History, we are presenting our inquiry projects about New France. Grade 8s will move onto Confederation and how people moved to expand the West, and grade 7s will be moving toward factors that led to the War of 1812. In Science, we are getting ready to complete our Water Systems or Ecosystems units by completing culminating tasks to end our units. Up next, the grade 8s will be moving on to the Cells unit, and grade 7s will be looking at Heat in the Environment. In math, we've finished up our big algebra unit. Integers are up next, so it would be helpful to watch the Weather Network to see how those rising or falling temperatures demonstrate positive and negative changes

Classroom updates from Mrs. Kostecki (gr. 5/6)

The Grade 5/6 class has been working with buttons to create images for spring. The students were very focused when using the different colour, shape, and size of buttons to make simple pieces of art that will have a big impact for the viewer. Great work class!!



Classroom updates from Mr. Comeau (gr. 7)

A large part of my long range goals has been to utilize more technology in the classroom. One of my initiatives is to get my students familiar and proficient with Office 365 which is the main operating system that Grand Erie has purchased for staff and students. When used in full, this system allows me to use both a collaborative as well as individual profile for students to work on and have access from any device both in and outside of the building. It gives them 1 terabyte of memory storage as well as access to various programs such as Word, Excel, Sway, etc. In order to facilitate this, I have introduced a "bring your own device" to class to access it more consistently as devices are key. There have been some issues and gaps along the way, but I continue to work on this and hopefully build a foundation for students as this technology will follow them throughout high school.

Classroom updates from Mrs. Mattice (gr. 4/5)

The Grade 4/5 class had a student teacher from Nippissing University visit us for four weeks. Her name was Miss. Staats. In Math the students worked on multiplication facts and learned how to multiply 2 digit by 1 digit numbers. Some students even tackled 2 digit by 2 digit multiplication. In Science the students started a unit on Pulleys and Gears and Forces. They learned about many simple machines that we use in our daily life and how they can make work more efficient for us.

With TICK season approaching...sharing information with parents

Lyme disease is a serious illness caused by the bite of an infected blacklegged tick. Ticks are small, ranging from the size of a poppy seed to a pea. The size of the tick varies depending on its age and whether it has fed recently. The bite is usually painless so you may not know that you have been bitten. Symptoms of Lyme disease can include one or a combination of the following with varying degrees of severity:

- fatigue
- fever or chills
- headache
- spasms or weakness
- numbness or tingling
- swollen lymph nodes
- skin rash



The best way to protect against Lyme disease is to prevent tick bites. Remember, as tick populations grow, Lyme disease can be acquired outside these areas. Here are some ways to protect yourself if you venture into forests or overgrown areas:

- wear closed-toe shoes, long-sleeved shirts and pants
- pull socks over pant legs
- wear light-coloured clothes to spot ticks easier
- use insect repellent containing DEET (active ingredient to keep bugs away) or Icaridin (always follow directions)
- shower or bathe within 2 hours of being outdoors to wash away loose ticks

Do a daily "full-body" check for ticks on yourself, children and pets

HES SCHOOL COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SCAC) NEEDS YOU!

Do you want to be more engaged in your children's school and education, but you are not sure how? The **SCHOOL COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SCAC)** is a great way for parents to become more involved with the happenings at the school and does not require a significant amount of your time.

We are always in need of parent volunteers regardless of how much time you can commit. The committee meets, helps organize school fundraisers, pita pit lunches, snack program, and works together with teachers and school staff to provide the best learning experience for our children.

With the end of the school year quickly approaching, SCAC is looking to fill positions for next year's committee. All positions need to be filled:

- **Chair**
- **Vice Chair**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**
- **Fundraiser**
- **Social Media/Newsletter Editors**
- **Snack Coordinator**
- **Snack Purchaser**

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www.facebook.com/HESCAC/

Follow us on Twitter:
[@HESCAC](https://twitter.com/HESCAC)

We will be voting on these positions at our **next Meeting** being held at the school on **May 8th, at 6:00 pm**. Child care will be provided. If you are interested in being a part of SCAC in any way, even if you cannot commit to an elected position, please come on out to the meeting!

Classroom updates from Mrs. Coate (ME room)

Responsibility and perseverance go hand in hand in our class. Our students consistently display both of these each day, which was a huge assistance to our recent student teacher, Miss Solari. She joined us mid February so it was hard for us to say goodbye last week. Miss Solari presented the students with some great songs, some challenging work on measurement and perimeter, as well as an opportunity to explore non-fiction texts to learn about indexes, glossaries, captions and tables of content. We are now looking towards the exploration of area in math, as well as a couple of upcoming trips. Next week we will be visiting Port Dover's Lighthouse Theatre to watch one of our own perform in their production of "Purrfect". (Way to go Rebekah!!). In May we will travel to Ruthven for some bird banding, crafts, and a history lesson. Our grade 8's have also been touring the high school in preparation of their transition to the secondary level next year....some great experiences made available thanks to our own Mrs. Heeg. In addition we continue to add to our cooking repertoire as we learn more about the kitchen and what we can do in it.



Classroom updates from Mrs. Mulholland(gr.1)

March has been a busy month in Room 1! We had the pleasure of having Miss Swift with us from Nipissing Brantford as she finishes off her studies to become an elementary classroom teacher. We were learning all about the production of maple syrup in preparation for our class trip to Richardson's Sugar bush on Mar. 21. The day was cold but we still had a great time and learned many new things we hadn't already talked about in class! We are wondering if March will go out like a lamb Easter weekend as it most certainly came in like a lion! Hopefully warmer weather will be here soon because in April we begin our nature walks around the school to watch and record the progress of Spring at 10 different check points. We will also be continuing with the Media Literacy unit that Miss Swift began, as well as engaging in more rich-thinking math activities using Pentominoes. Happy Spring from all of us!

Classroom updates from Mrs. Eng (gr.2)

We have had a busy few months in Mrs. Eng's class with our student teacher Mrs. Johnson, learning lots of exciting things. Mystery Skype with another class of grade 1/2 students has been a highlight of our time together. We have had to use our investigative and mapping skills to create questions about countries, animals and land features around the world to try and figure out where our peers live. This morning we had a final Skype call with them to present our guess....It was a tie! We discovered that they are from CB Sterling in Hamilton. We have also been working on a large theme park project that has been testing our planning and collaboration skills as well as our knowledge of area / perimeter, money, mapping and text features in our park advertisements. In Science one of our students has been doing an in-depth study of simple machines. He has shown us how pulleys and ramps will be helpful to some customers who visit our parks. His expertise has helped us to plan our parks so that they are accessible to everyone. It has been a great month of learning in ways that help us to connect our classroom to the world around us.

Classroom updates from Mrs. Hardy (gr.3/4)

Happy Spring from the Grade 3/ 4 class! What a wonderful trip we enjoyed with our reading buddies to Richardson's Farm in March. We learned all about the production of maple syrup. In the month of March we have also been learning about a variety of poems and creating our own poetry folders. In math, we have been working on telling time and counting money.

April 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 NO School	3 Character assembly	4 Wacky hair day	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 Minecraft workshop in library	12	13 PD day no school	14
15	16	17 JUMP rope for heart kick off assembly	18 Jr. Basketball tournament DSS	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Badminton Tournament McKinnon HS	27 Crimestopper's breakfast at HSS	28
29	30	1 Character assembly	2	3	4	5