



Halbert News Online # 12

November 18, 2019

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Appreciation

A big thank you to the families who came to school or connected via the telephone and celebrated with us their children's successes and identified key areas for next steps. We hope to continue to build a stronger relationship as our journey continues.

Please know that you can also connect with the school and your child's teacher throughout the year! Progress continues daily!

19/20 Halbert School Advisory (Parent) Council

Ms. J. Bergeron, Ms. L. Chung (**Chairperson**),
Ms. C. Guerrero (**Vice-Chairperson**), Ms. N. Ibrahim,
Ms. S. Mitchell, Mr. N. Singh (**Secretary**), Ms. J. Smith,
Ms. M. Tassie (**Treasurer**), Ms. E. Tunney (**Community Outreach**), Ms. H. Tunney



School Advisory (Parent) Council Meeting

Monday, November 18, 2019

5:30 PM ** Note: New start time!!

Library

Focus: School Improvement Planning in Literacy and Numeracy



Upcoming Dates

Nov 18 - School Advisory (Parent) Council Meeting

Nov 19 - Gift of Sight Clinic @ Charles Gordon Sr PS

Nov 19 - Beginning of Student Coupon Selection

Nov 27 - Halbert Earth Hour

Nov 27 - Student of the Month Assembly & Spirit Day

Nov 28 - Pizza Day

Nov 28 - Snuggle UP and Read Afternoon: Workshop for Parent(s) , Guardian(s) and Families

Dec 2 - 5 - Grade 6s at Scarborough Outdoor Education School (Kearney)

Dec 11 - Winter Holiday Concert - Grades 4/5 - 6

Dec 12 - Winter Holiday Concert - Kindergartens to Grades 3 / 4

Dec 18 - Halbert Earth Hour

Dec 20 - Sing-A-Long and Pie in Mr. Cabrera's Face Celebration



HA Halbert Jr PS invites you to ...

snuggle up & READ

Thursday, November 28, 2019

1:45 PM – 2:45 PM

An afternoon workshop for families.

Child minding available.

This **afternoon** session will focus on the importance of **Sight Words**.

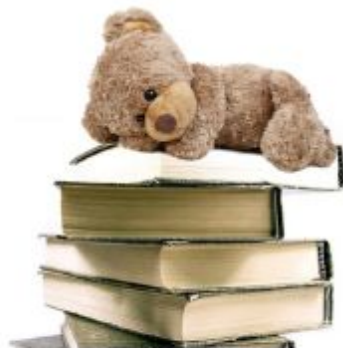
Families will engage in thinking about:

What are sight words?

Why are they useful?

How I can support my child's development of sight words?

How can sight words help my child in reading continuously?



Save the Date

Holiday Concerts

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

6:00 PM

Grades 4/5, 5/6, and 6

Thursday, December 12, 2019

5:15 PM / 5:30 PM*

*exact start time to shared with families this upcoming week

Kindergarten

6:15 PM

Grades 1 / 2, 2 / 3 and 3 / 4

Heads Up:

Office Hours

November 18, 2019 - December 20, 2019

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

December 23, 2019 - January 3, 2020

CLOSED

January 6, 2020 onwards

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Heart Beatz Childcare

Heart Beatz Childcare.

Spaces Available for students ages 3.8 to 12 yrs.

Please contact Shiromie at 647-808-1439 for more Information.

Heart Beatz Child Care will be operating during the Holiday Winter Break on the following dates:

December 23, 24, 27, 30, 31, 2019

January 2, 3, 2020





French Programs in the TDSB

For families interested in the Toronto District School Board's French Immersion or Extended French programs, we offer an online process for applying to:

- Early French Immersion (EFI) which begins in Senior Kindergarten;
- Junior Extended French (JEF) which begins in Grade 4

At this time, we guarantee an offer of placement in the program (not a specific school) to all on-time applicants. The timelines for applying for these programs for September 2020 are:

- Applications for **Early French Immersion** (for a Junior Kindergarten aged child), must be completed online between **November 4, 2019 and November 29, 2019**.

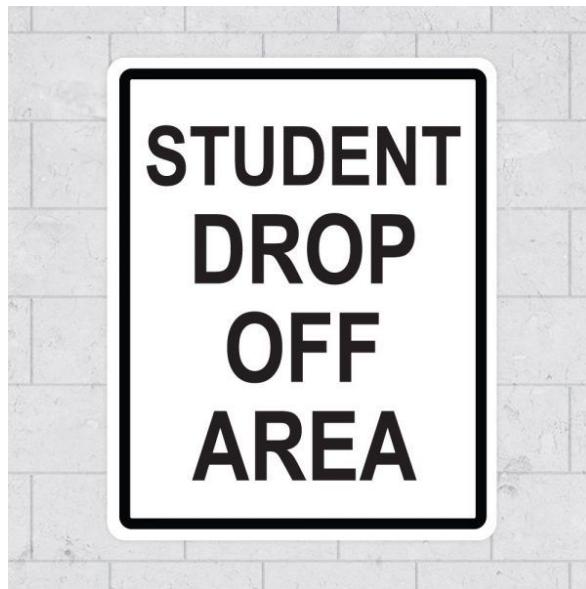
[APPLY FOR SK FRENCH BY CLICKING HERE](#)

Drop Off Loop @ Halbert!

To support students' safe entry, we have one staff member who is assigned to the parking lot drop off. The purpose of the drop off area is to support families who are not parking but are just dropping off their children.

We ask for your support and patience. We have room for two cars at the drop off point at one time. We wish for the students to be dropped off in front of the yellow gate to minimize the number of students walking through the parking lot during peak times.

There is a staff member at the drop off point ready to welcome your child and ensure they enter the playground safely.



Lost Items

There are many items in our Lost and Found located by the piano outside of the Kindergarten classroom. We invite families, when they are at school, to check out the box to see if there are any items in there belonging to their children.

We invite families to label pieces of clothing as many items get mixed up right after recesses as students remove their outdoor gear in the same vicinity.

Likewise, we invite families to see if their children have inadvertently taken other students' items home (e.g., sweaters, snow pants, gloves). If so, kindly return them to the Office as we do have families who are in search of lost items.

Gloves, Scarves, Hats: We invite students to place their gloves, scarves and hats (unless they are really wet) in the sleeves of their coats so that they are easily accessible when preparing for the outdoors.

Events Schedule at a Glance

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	Breakfast Club 8:30 AM	Breakfast Club 8:30 AM	Breakfast Club 8:30 AM	Breakfast Club 8:30 AM	Breakfast Club 8:30 AM
First Recess					
Lunch Period	Boys Volleyball		Robotics	Boys Volleyball	
After School		Girls Basketball		Girls Basketball	

For more information, please connect with our

Girls Basketball - Coach Prince

Boys Volleyball - Coach McMichael

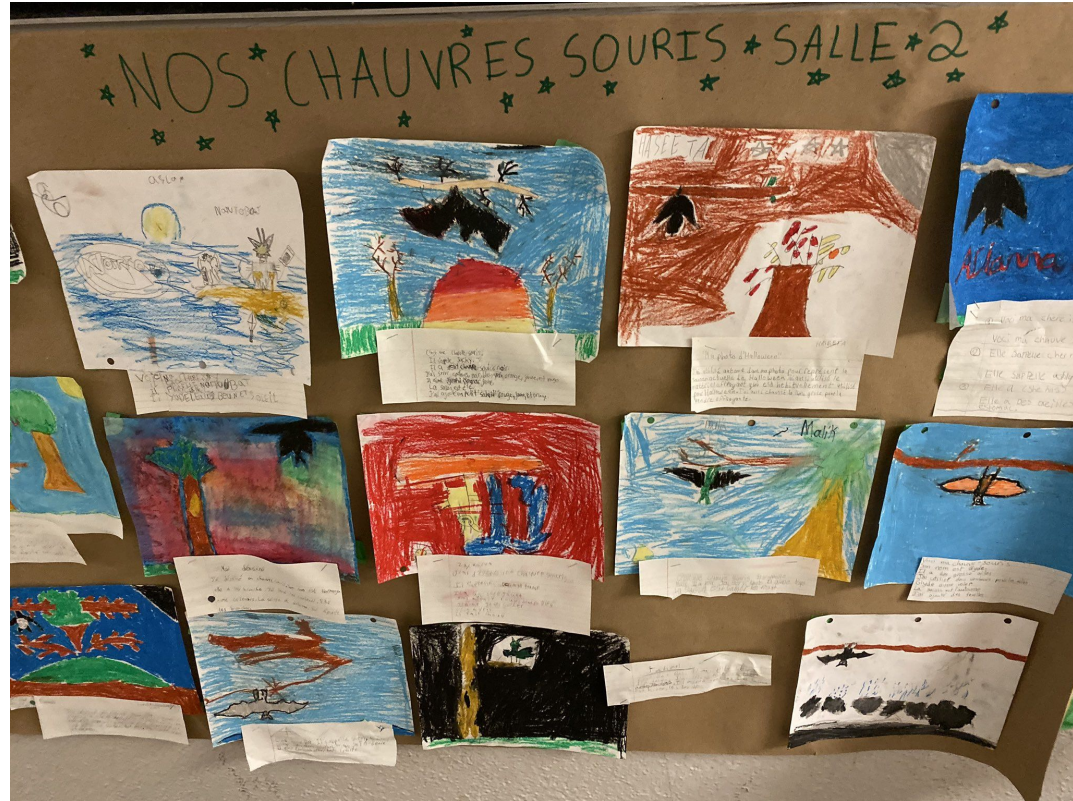
Robotics - Lead Teachers Azza and Zubair



At Halbert this past week ...

Students in Rooms 1, 2 and 3 learned about 'chauvres souris' or bats during the week leading up to Halloween!

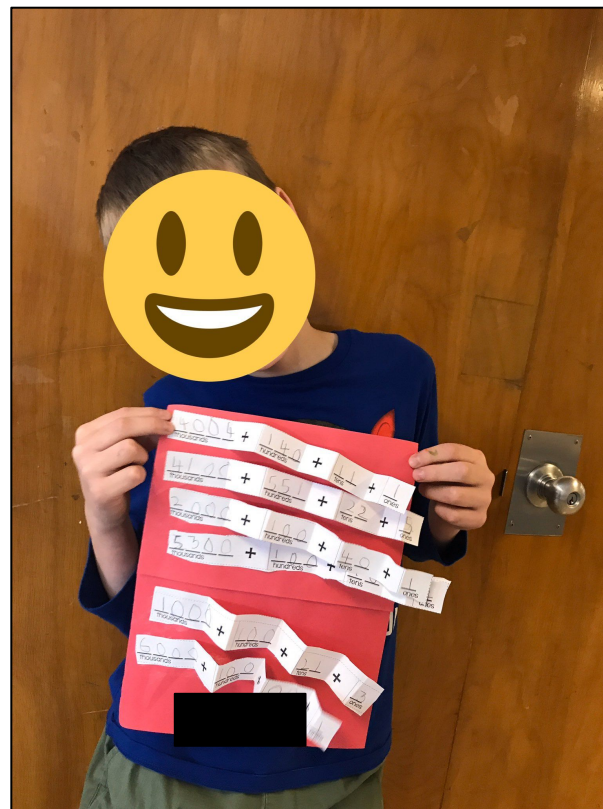
Their written explanations are impressive! Please drop and by and read them when you can!



Lummi sticks are out and students in Room 7 organized themselves and accompanied the Nutcracker March! Watch for them during the Holiday concert!



Learning to expand numbers using an accordion!



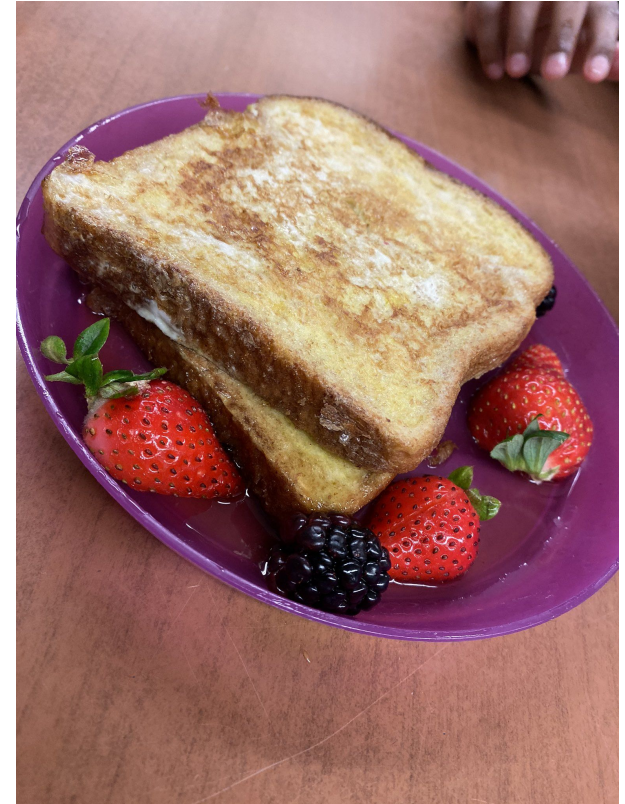
I invited the students to
the make a snow turtle.
Two Grade 2 students
accepted my challenge!
Can you see it?



The Grade 4 Rising Chefs were at it again this week with French Toast and berries!

Yummy!

The Rising Chef season will continue again in the Spring! Watch out for it!



Thank you to Ms. Van
Evera for this amazing life
sized bulletin board! We
will be taking photos of
each child encouraging all
to be the I in KIND.



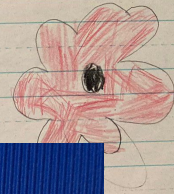
On Remembrance Day we welcomed Sgt. B. Nip (Ret.) of the Queen's York Rangers!

Sgt. Nip was our keynote speaker last year and was kind enough to join us again!



Students in Room 13 took
take this week to talk
about the importance of
the poppy! These are
proudly displayed outside
their classroom!

Why do we wear Poppy on Remembrance
We wear a poppy because the soldiers
died in the war.



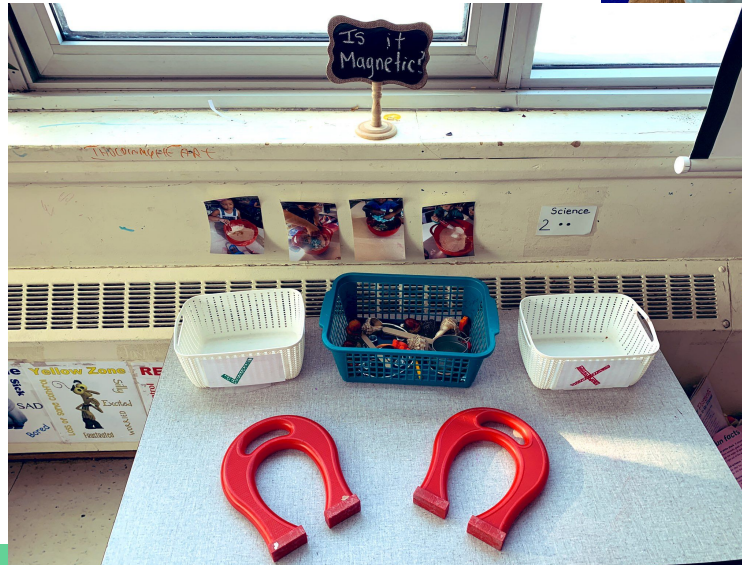
Why do we wear a Poppy on Remembrance Day?
We wear a Poppy because Soldiers went to a War.
And Some People Died After the War but Some
People was alive.



Magnetic or not?

Kindergarten students
enjoying sorting items in
the classroom!

What general
characteristics of magnetic
items did they discover?





Primary Playground Updates



HA Halbert is a Nut - Aware / Allergy Aware School



Please **do not** send **peanuts** or **tree nuts** (e.g., almonds, cashews, hazelnuts, etc.) shellfish or any products **made with** or **made of** peanuts or tree nuts (e.g., chocolate almonds, chocolate bars with nuts, nutella, etc.) or shellfish for lunch or as a snack.

Safe Arrival Routines

A reminder to call school if your child will be late or absent.

One measure of keeping our students safe is to ensure we can account for any absences or reasons for being late to school. If your child is going to be absent or late for any reason, we ask that you contact the school immediately and report the reason for the absence.

416-396-3298

Safe Arrival Phone Number

HA Halbert earlyON

The EarlyON Child and Family Centre is a program for parents and caregivers with children from infants to 6 years of age. This FREE program is located in Room # 9.

Daily activities include family story and music time, art, sand and water play, gym time and a nutritious snack.

Please visit the centre whenever you can and participate in an enjoyable play based program.

Mondays – Thursdays 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

