



Halbert News Online # 7

October 14, 2019

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Appreciation

A big thank you to the members of the 2018/2019 Parent Council! Thank you for advocating for Halbert's students and families and for championing school improvement and parent engagement!

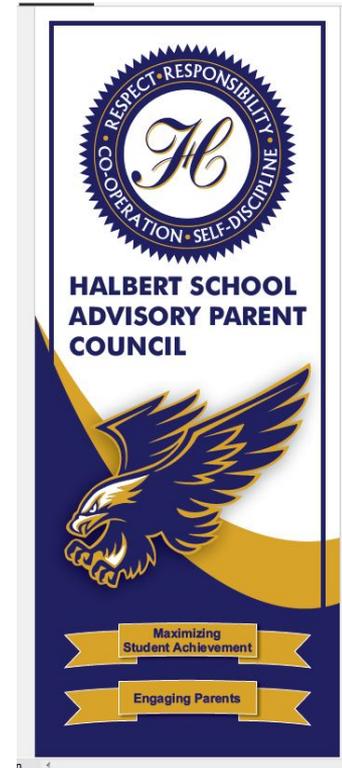
Ms. Bergeron, Ms. Chung Ms. Guerrero, Ms. Ramsay, Ms. Smith,
Ms. Tassie, Ms. Tunney, Ms. Williamson



19/20 Halbert School Advisory (Parent) Council

It is with great honour that I present to you Halbert's
19/20 School Advisory (Parent) Council

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



Upcoming Dates

Oct 15 - Gr 4 Rising Chefs

Oct 16 - Walk to School Wednesday

Oct 16 - Halbert Hosts Girls' Soccer Tournament

Oct 17 - Cross Country East Regional Finals @ Thompson Park

Oct 18 - Room 5 to Scarborough Museum Trip

Oct 21 - Federal Elections Day (our school is a polling station)

Oct 22 - TELUS Wise Presentation (Digital Citizenship) to Grades 5 and 6

Oct 22 - Gr 4 Rising Chefs

Oct 30 - Halbert Earth Hour

Oct 31 - Move-A-Thon

Nov 5 - Vision Clinic

Walk to School Wednesday



Every Wednesday, Mr. Joyce and staff will be meeting students at **320 / 330 McCowan Road** at around **8:25 AM** and walk to school together!

Participating students will receive snacks and fruits upon reaching the school!

Cross Country

We wish all of our Cross Country athletes much success as they compete on Thursday, October 17 at Thompson Park!

Go Hawks!



Girls' Soccer Tournament

HA Halbert is proud to host the Girls' Soccer Tournament this Wednesday!

We welcome schools from around Scarborough to play and have fun!

Welcome!!



Are you interested in volunteering at HA Halbert?
You can read with students, support the Library,
prepare snacks in the morning or help us garden!

If you are interested, please see myself or Mrs.
Khan in the main office for an application!





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**.
- Applications for **Junior Extended French** must be completed online between **January 6, 2020 and January 31, 2020**.

Events Schedule at a Glance

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School		Boys Soccer (8:15 PM)		Boys Soccer (8:15 PM)	
First Recess					
Lunch Period					
After School			Girls Soccer Gr 4 - 6		

For more information, please connect with our Coaches

Girls Soccer - Coach White

Boys Soccer - Coaches Zubair & Kidane

Girls Basketball - Coach Prince (Dates are TBD)

Looking for Corporate Donors

As we finalize the Board funded new playscape, our attention now draw to how we can **enhance the play area for all students.**

We are looking for corporations and/or small business who would be willing to donate to our enhancement program.

Please connect with Mr. Cabrera in the Office and we can discuss the parameters for corporate donorship further.





At Halbert this past week ...

Leaves are turning vibrant reds, yellows and brown .. why is that?

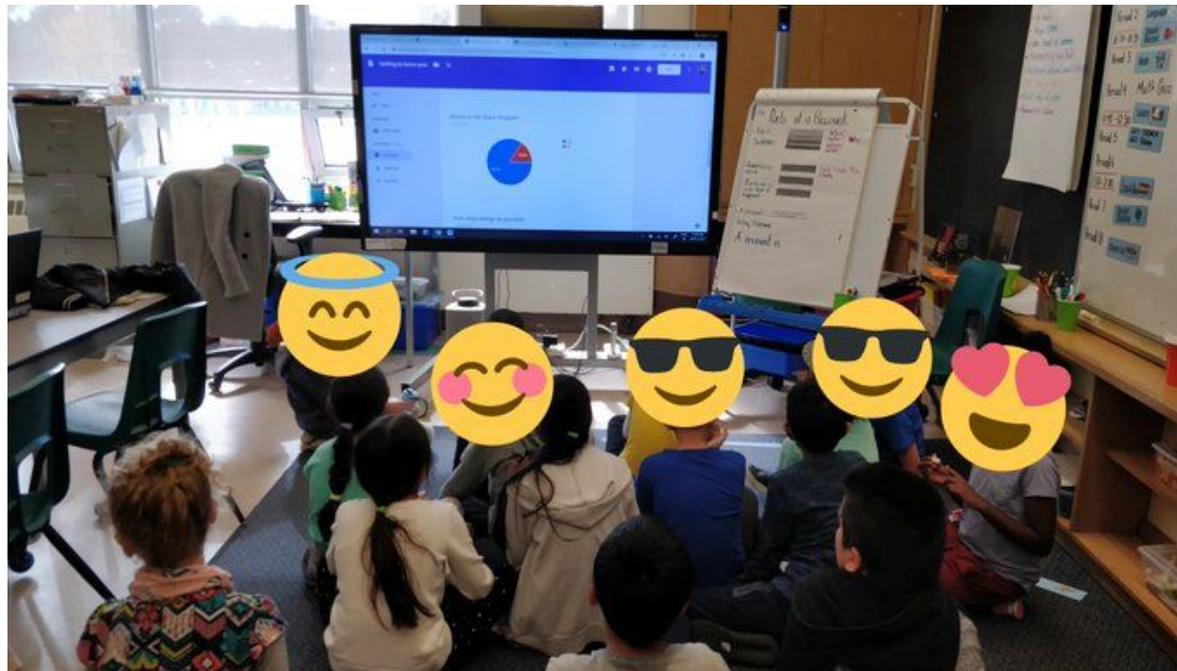


Students using their natural curiosity to explore, experiment and make a theory of why things are the way they are.

This is play based inquiry learning!



Technology is a tool to support students' learning. It is a great opportunity to tap into different learning styles and help everyone arrive at a common understanding of the concepts being studied.



Math is all around us. It is most definitely in games. Math is actually very fun!



For early years it is crucial for students to understand quantities and values of numbers. It is good to memorize number sequence but it is so much better for children to know and understand values. Let your children learn and anchor their understanding on the quantity of 5 and the quantity of 10.



When students play great things happen -- new words are used, life is imagined in simple yet complex ways.

Here, Kindergarten students enjoy imaging being pumpking farmers.



Cooking ... it is where science and math become real! Here, the Grade 4 Rising Chefs are cooking their first recipe ... vegetarian or chicken quesadilla. They learned to saute mushrooms and grill peppers!



In play you get to test theories of stability! Build and let it fall down and then ask ... “How can we make sure it won’t fall again?” That’s how adult architects have learned over the years! Our earliest learners and just following suit!





Primary Playground Updates



MOVE-A-THON
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OCT 31, 2019

BIG **CONCEPT**



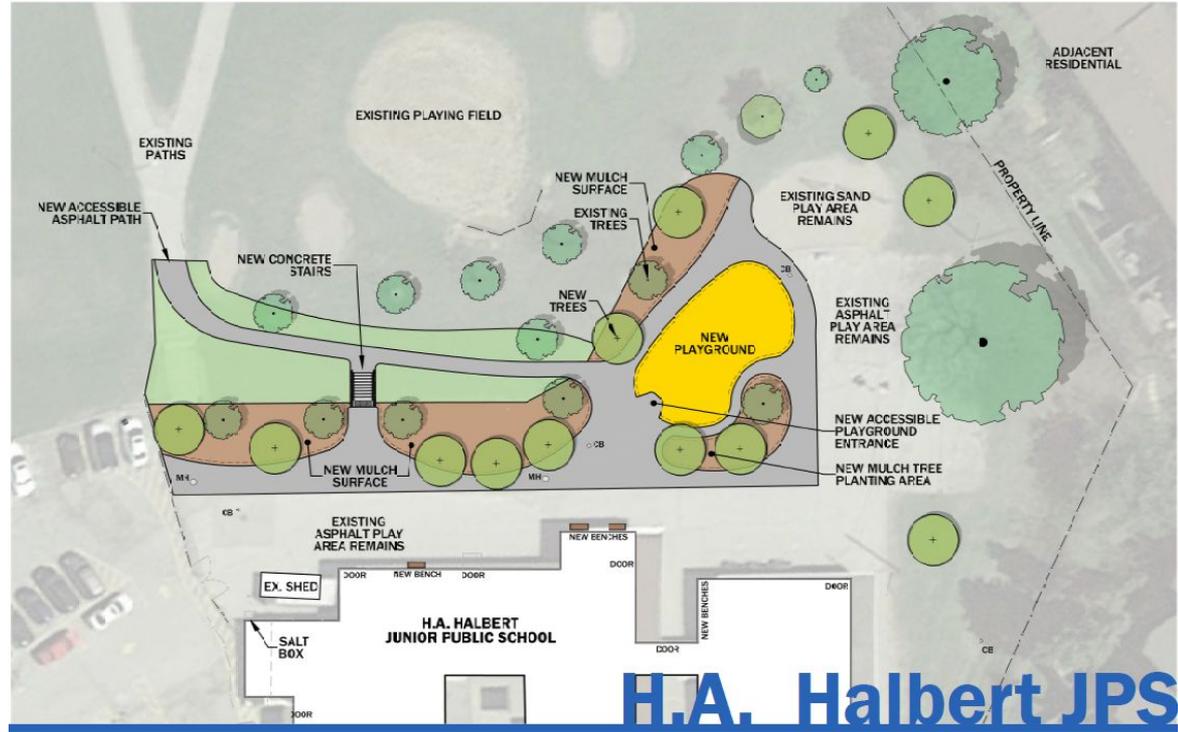
What are we raising money for?

New Playscape

The TDSB has approved the refresh of our playscape.

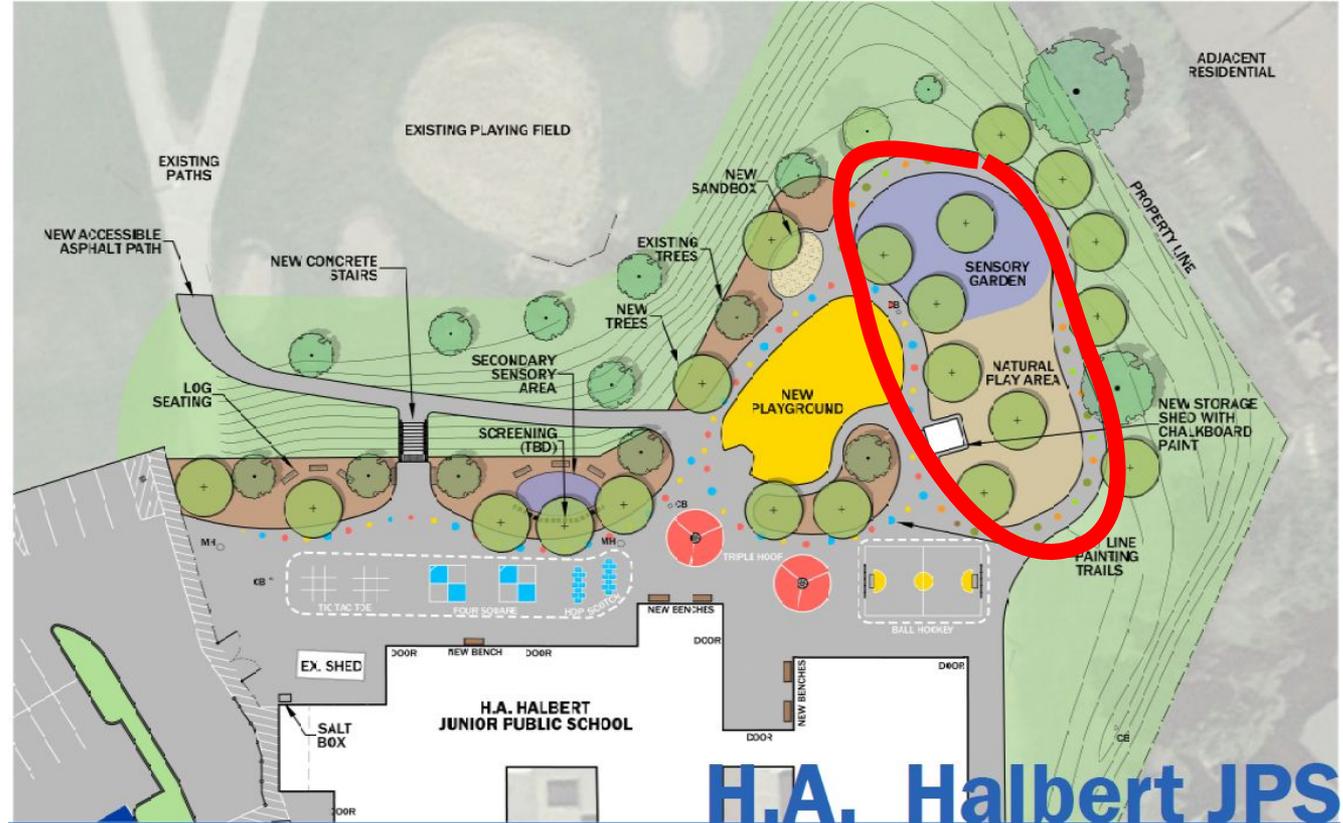
The image opposite indicates the extent of the Board funded refresh!

New stairs, a new path and a new play structure will be erected, as well as new trees!



This is the full scope of our fundraising efforts!

Our goal is create the sensory garden and natural play area on the right side of the new playground.

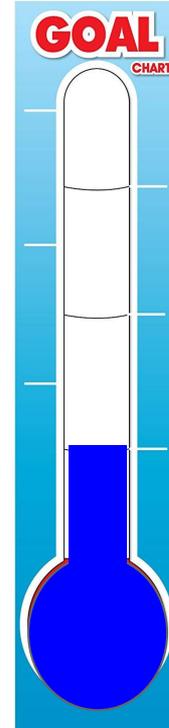


***PLEASE SUPPORT OUR
FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE.
OUR GOAL: ENHANCING THE
HALBERT PLAYGROUND!***

FUNDRAISING UPDATES

Your support of our Move-A-Thon will greatly enhance our ability to enhance the play area.

Please send completed envelopes to the main office. Our SAC members will secure the funds collected!



\$6,810
As of Oct 4, 2019

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

