



Halbert News Online Winter Break Edition

January 2, 2020

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School Hours

Monday, December 23, 2019 - Friday, January 3, 2020

School and the Main Office is Closed

Monday, January 6, 2020

First Day of School

Appreciation

A big thank you to our Parent Council whose leadership saw an extremely successful fundraising campaign! As of last count, we saw a total donation of **\$12,050!!**

Thank you to you, the Halbert extended families and to all of Halbert supporters!

Next on the agenda is selecting colours for our new play structure.



HA Halbert's New Playscape





Thank you so much to all the students, families and staff who lent their voice and voted between two play structures!

The Jambette received a very large majority of the votes from students, families and staff!

Our next step in the process is to select colours!

We will seek all of our viewpoints before submitting our colours selection.

Heart Beatz Childcare

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

January 2, 3, 2020



Upcoming Dates

Jan 6 - First Day Back for 2020

Jan 7 - Welcome Back Assembly

Jan 13 - SAC Meeting (5:30 PM in the Library)

Jan 13 - Kindergarten Registration Package Available in the Office

Jan 15 - Be Bully BRAVE Presentation

Jan 17 - PA Day

Jan 21 - Star Lab visits for the Grade 6s

Jan 27 - Grandparents' Day (Afternoon Coffee and Tea

Jan 27 - Family Literacy Day

Jan 28 - Halbert Earth Hour

Jan 31 - Student of the Month Assembly

Grade 4 Extended French

Extended French programs are designed for students who do not speak French at home. The Junior Extended French program begins at the grade 4 level. Students in this program spend 50% of their day in French instruction from grade 4-8 at the Extended French school. The subjects taught in French are French Language Arts, Social Studies and The Arts. English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science are taught in English. Designated school pathways exist to ensure that students have a continuation of program from the grade 4 entry to the end of grade 12.

The application process for admission to Junior Extended French begins in January. It is an online application process. It is not a first-come, first-served process. Learn more about the [application process and deadlines](#). All late applicants will be placed on a wait list.

Kindergarten Registration

Students born in 2016 are eligible to register for JK with the first day of school being September 4, 2020!

If you have a child, grandchild or neighbour born in 2016, please let them know that **Kindergarten Registration packages will be available at HA Halbert by Monday, January 13, 2020!**

Kindergarten Registration will take place at school between February 18 - 21, 2020!

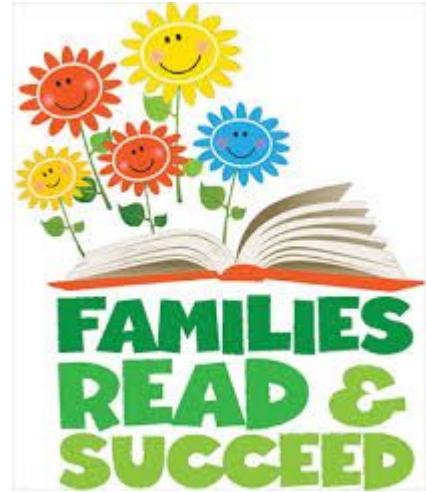


Family Literacy Day (actually it's everyday!)

Though January 27 is marked as Family Literacy Day we believe that it actually is celebrated daily!

That being said, to bring heightened awareness to the importance of developing positive literacy behaviours, Halbert will be sponsoring different activities throughout January!

Please stay tuned and please join in!



Monday, January 20, 2020 - Halbert at the ROM

Please mark your calendars - we have spaces for 46 family members to join us as TD Bank hosts 3rd Monday at the ROM!

A school bus will pick up families from Halbert after school for an afternoon and evening of exploration at the ROM. The bus returns to school at 8:30 PM.

All children attending **must** be accompanied by an adult!

If you are free that afternoon/evening, consider joining us. Forms to register will be available soon!



Interested in volunteering?

During the Not So Silent Night Holiday concert, one of our Parent Council members invited families to volunteer at HA Halbert. If you are interested, please connect with Mrs. Khan or Mr. Cabrera to pick up a Vulnerable Sector Screening form. We are in need of:

- family members to listen to children read (mornings);
- family members to help in the Library (afternoons); and,
- family members to help the Snack program.



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, January 13, 2020

5:30 PM

Library

Focus: Mathematics



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** sesame, peanuts or tree nuts (e.g., chocolate almonds, chocolate bars with nuts, nutella, etc.) or shellfish for lunch or as a snack.

Heart Beatz Childcare

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Spaces Available for students ages 3.8 to 12 yrs.

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



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

