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A Message from The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario

to the students, families and staff of HA Halbert Jr PS
on the occasion of our school's 70th year!





THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF ONTARIO
LA LIEUTENANTE-GOUVERNEURE DE L'ONTARIO

October 2020

To the future students of H. A. Halbert Junior Public School:

First of all, let me congratulate you on this happy occasion. I am writing to you not long after the Thanksgiving long weekend in the school's 70th anniversary year.

This year has been the most challenging in recent memory. The COVID-19 pandemic erupted in March and already we have lost some 9,650 Canadians. Around the world, more than one million have perished. Currently we are in the beginning of a second wave of the virus. Unemployment and underemployment remain high. Many businesses have closed for good. Some of us have been working from home, yet many do not have that luxury. Doctors, nurses, public servants, and the so-called essential workers in the private sector have sacrificed so that we might continue in our daily lives.

Yet amid such uncertainty and devastation, we can still be thankful. Despite many trials, the pandemic has brought out the very best of who we are. We have seen the inherent resilience of humanity.

What gives me hope are wonderful stories of collaboration, empathy, creativity, and courage: all orders of government working together in common cause, scientists and researchers racing to develop a vaccine, industries retooling their production lines, economic and social innovation, reduced pollution, the empowerment of citizens, and the building of community.

Before us is a real opportunity to build back better, to change the way we do things, and to save our planet while strengthening our precious democracy. By the time this time capsule is opened, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is expected to have been achieved. I know that we are up to the task of making good on this promise to future generations, and this message comes with my fervent prayer that we will have succeeded.

I wish you a bright future.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dowdeswell



[Click here](#) to read the letter.

URGENT NOTICE

The Government of Ontario has announced that elementary schools across Ontario, including those at the TDSB, will remain closed to students and staff until at least **Monday, January 25, 2021**. Secondary schools will remain closed until Monday, January 25 as was previously scheduled. During this extended closure, remote learning will continue.

[Click here for more information](#)



Classes will continue in the same fashion as the last week.

Please continue to log in through Google Classroom and then access the Google Meet.

For security reasons, the Google Meet link **does not** become active until 8:55 AM or when a staff member is able to supervise the Google Meet.



Upcoming Events



Upcoming Dates

~~Jan 14 - Virtual Rising Chefs - *Rise and Shine Yogurt Parfait* - 4:15 PM - Postponed!~~

Jan 15 - PA Day

~~Jan 21 - Visual Art and Crafts Club - Postponed!~~

Jan 25 - **First Day of In-Person School**

Jan 27 - Halbert Earth Hour

Jan 27 - SAC Parent Council Meeting 6 PM

Jan 28 - Virtual Rising Chefs - **Club Sandwiches** - 4:15 PM

Jan 29 - Student Recognition Assembly (P5/6)

Feb 4 - Virtual Art and Crafts Club - **String Painting** - 4:15 PM



Friday, January 15, 2021 is a PA Day



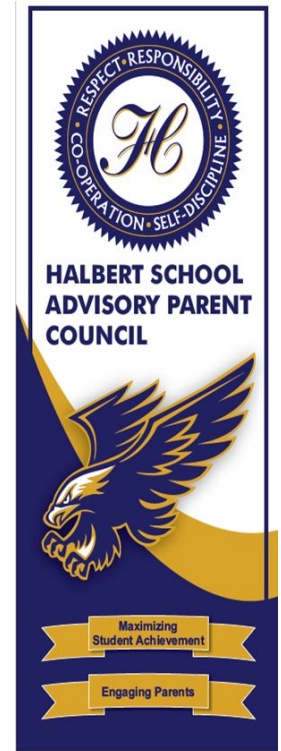
School Advisory (Parent) Council

School Advisory (Parent) Council Virtual Meeting

Wednesday, January 27, 2021

6:00 PM

Link to be shared closer to the date.



School and District News



Online International Languages & African Heritage Programs

The International Languages – Elementary / African Heritage Program is offering online language classes to students (TDSB and non TDSB) Kindergarten to Grade 8. One day each week, students have live face-to-face interactive lessons with their instructor and classmates for approximately 30 minutes. Activities are focused on building student's abilities in oral communication, reading and writing.

Visit www.ILEprograms.ca for more information. [@TDSB_ConEd](https://twitter.com/TDSB_ConEd)



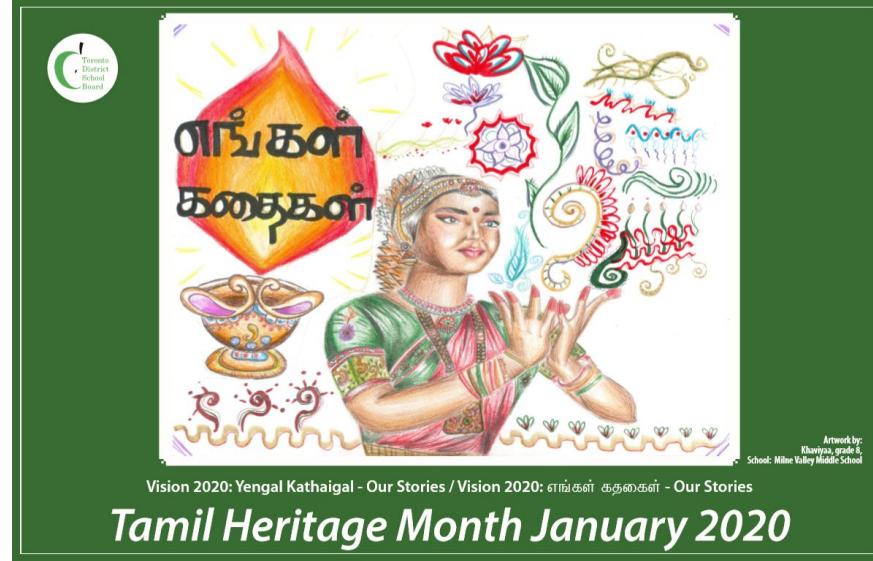
Adult ESL Programs

Gaining proficiency in English is a critical skill for many newcomers to our city. Every year, nearly 20,000 adults benefit from the TDSB's English as a Second Language classes. Through general language training, and a host of specialized courses, we serve learners at all levels – from those with little or no formal education to those with post-secondary degrees. Currently, all Adult ESL classes are on-line.

Visit www.ESLToronto.ca for more information. [@TDSB_ConEd](https://twitter.com/TDSB_ConEd)



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Truth - Rights – Unity
January is Tamil Heritage Month

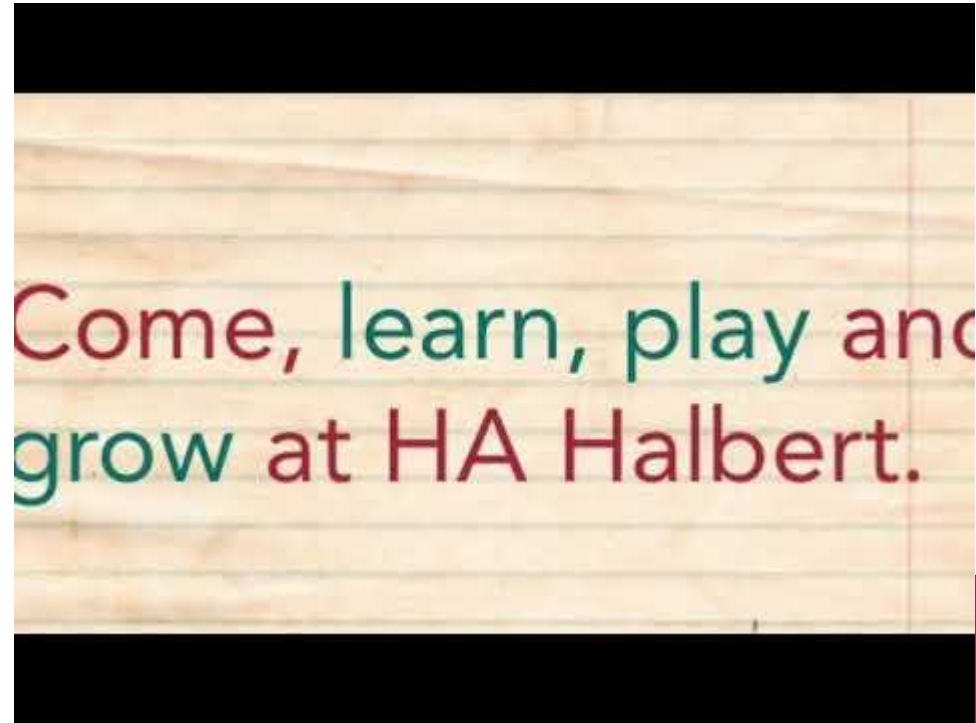


February is Kindergarten Registration Month

Children born in 2017 are invited to register for Junior Kindergarten for the school year 2021/2022.

If you have a family member or a neighbour born in 2017, please let them know we look forward to seeing them soon!

More information about registration will be available next week.



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8 December 2020



Congratulations to everyone marking the 70th anniversary of HA Halbert Jr. Public School and beyond!

To the students of today and tomorrow: know that you can do anything if you put your mind to it and work hard at it.

Have passion, vision, opinions!
Be open to change and to new ideas.

And dare to dream!
(you can trust me on this one - as a former astronaut)

THE SKY IS NOT
THE LIMIT!



Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette
Governor General of Canada

8 décembre 2020



Félicitations à vous tous qui célébrez le 70^{ème} anniversaire de l'École publique HA Halbert Jr! (et les anniversaires subséquents si nous sommes dans le futur)

Aux étudiants d'aujourd'hui et de demain, sachez que vous pouvez accomplir tout ce que vous voulez, si vous y mettez l'effort et la persévérance.

Laissez vous guider par vos passions, ayez une vision et des opinions; soyez ouverts au changement et aux nouvelles idées. OSEZ RÊVER!

Et vous pouvez me croire comme ancien astronaute: avec un peu d'effort, même la terre peut être à nos pieds!



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Early ON

Child and Family Centre

Parent Worker: Ms. M. Megitt

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2647192598827114/>

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:30 am	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story and Music FB Room
10:00am		Wellness Chat FB Room			Wellness Chat FB Room
10:30 am			Special Guest Google Meet		
11:00	Coffee Chat FB Room	Parent Talk Google Meet		Zoom	
11:30			Yoga		
12:00 pm	Story & Music Video	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music Video
12:30 pm		Stretch and Strength	Active Fun	Stretch and Strength	
1:00pm	Sing Along		Story Time Kids choice		

Google Meet Address

<https://meet.google.com/qmj-kypr-rzb>

Questions, Comments or Concerns?

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to connect via email or connect with the school at 416 396 6300.

