



Halbert News Online # 19

January 25-29, 2021

<http://www.updateallday.com/org/h/halbert/display.php> - Daily Announcements

In celebration of Family Literacy Virtual Grandparents' Day February 4, 2020 - 9:15 AM



We invite you to a virtual celebration of our grandparents and the role they play in our education, growth and development!

In a time when we may not be able to gather as frequently, let this be one moment to connect and have a common experience.

Joining us live on this virtual celebration is author and illustrator
Ruth Ohi - <https://www.ruthohi.com/>

Please check your email for registration instructions.



A Message from The Premier of Ontario

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



Premier of Ontario - Première ministre de l'Ontario



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September 2020

A MESSAGE FROM PREMIER DOUG FORD

I want to extend warm greetings to the teachers, staff, students and alumni of H.A. Halbert Junior PS as you mark the 70th Anniversary of your wonderful school.

Education is the best investment we can make in the future of our young people. As Premier and as an Ontarian, I am proud of our public schools. Schools such as yours have produced generations of thinkers, leaders and innovators, and helped form the citizens of this great province.

I thank the teachers and staff of H.A. Halbert Junior PS for seven decades of dedication to supporting educational excellence and civic spirit among the youth of the Cliffcrest community. I also want to thank the students and alumni of this school for your contributions to your community and our province.

I know this school year will be unlike any we have ever seen, but by working together, we can all play a part in keeping each other healthy and safe, and ensure our students continue to thrive and learn during these extraordinary times.

Best wishes for a meaningful anniversary and for many more years of success.

Doug Ford
Premier



Support for Learners - \$200

The Ministry of Education announced financial support to help with additional costs during the 2020-2021 school year due to COVID-19.

Eligible applicants will receive a one-time payment of:

- **\$200 for each child or youth up to Grade 12**
- **\$250 for each child or youth up to age 21 with special needs**

The deadline to apply is **February 8, 2021.**



URGENT NOTICE

Today, the Government of Ontario [announced](#) new measures to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in the province. As part of today's announcement, the government has said that **all schools in Toronto will remain closed to students and staff until Wednesday, February 10.** During the closure period, remote learning will continue, as will in-person supports for students with special education needs who cannot be accommodated through remote learning.

[Click here for more information](#)



Upcoming Events



Upcoming Dates

Jan 25 - Gr 3 - 6 Kahoot Game - 3:00 PM (trial run)

Jan 27 - Halbert Earth Hour

Jan 27 - SAC Parent Council Meeting 6 PM

Jan 29 - Student Recognition Assembly (P5/6)

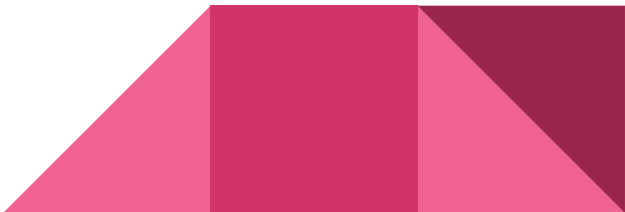
Jan 29 - Are You Smarter than a Halbert Student (Kahoot) - 2:00 PM

Feb 4 - Family Literacy - Grandparents' Day with Ruth Ohi

Feb 4 - Virtual Rising Chefs - 4:15 PM - **Recipe TBD**

Feb 12 - PA DAY

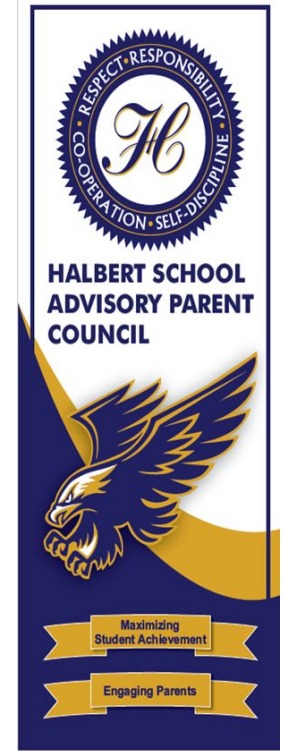
Feb 15 - Family Day



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.



Kahoot!



What is Kahoot!?

Kahoot! is a game-based learning platform that makes it easy to create, share and play learning games or trivia quizzes in minutes.

On Friday, January 29, we will play a school-wide Kahoot! game! Instructions will be shared in a separate email. We will be doing a trial run this Friday, January 22 with students in Grades 3 - 6 for our school-wide game!!



School and District News



ANNIVERSARY

Preparing for Kinder Registration

Welcome to
Kindergarten!

Wednesday, January 27, 2021
10:30 AM

<http://meet.google.com/qmj-kypn-rzb>

In collaboration with



Child and Family Centre

Do you have a child, a grandchild, a neighbour or family friend born in 2017? If so, they are eligible to begin Junior Kindergarten in September 2021!

Join us in this Webinar to find out what you need and how you can prepare your child for school!



Welcome to KINDERGARTEN

Registration for all TDSB Kindergarten programs begins in February. We look forward to welcoming you and your child! Children who will be four by December 31, 2021, can start Junior Kindergarten in September 2021.

Families are asked to complete the registration online using the Online Registration System. If you have questions or are unable to complete the online registration independently, please contact **Mrs. Khan** at **416-396-6300** to make a virtual face-to-face appointment (via Zoom or Google Meet) to complete the online registration process.

All newly registered families will have an opportunity to participate in a Virtual Meet a Kindergarten Teacher. Families can make an appointment for **February 23 - 26, 2021**

REGISTER NOW!
[Click here](#)

February is Kindergarten Registration Month



Click on the image to play the video.

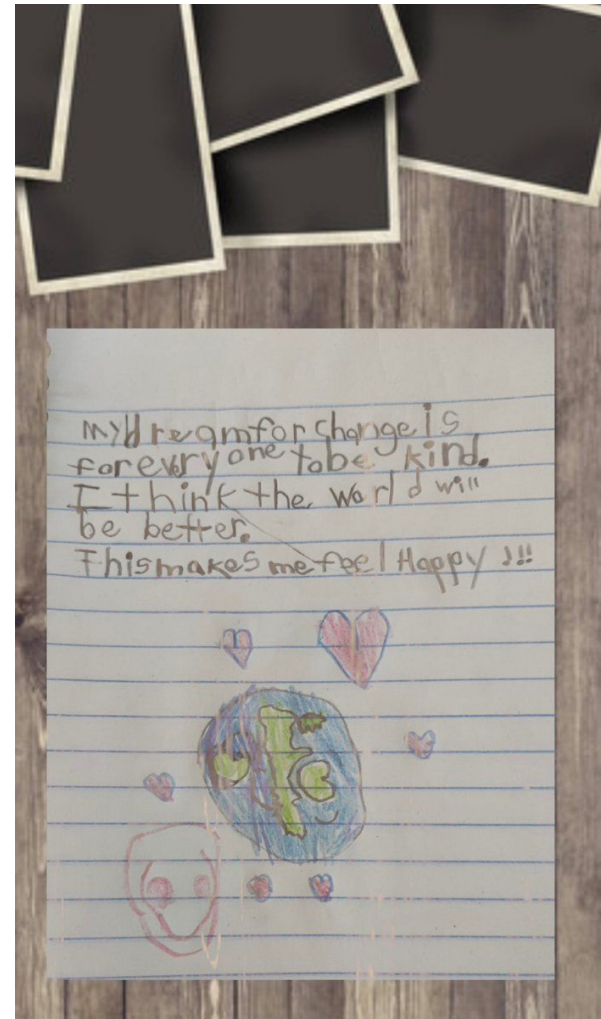




Our Weeks in Pictures

Students in Ms. Palmer's class read, viewed and discussed the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. last Monday.

The students reflected on Dr. King's "I have dream" speech and shared their own dreams for the future.



My dream for change
is for people to stop
hurting each other. I
think its bad. This makes
me sad. The world needs

Love!



My dream for change is
coriah I think its scary
Makes me feel excited, scary



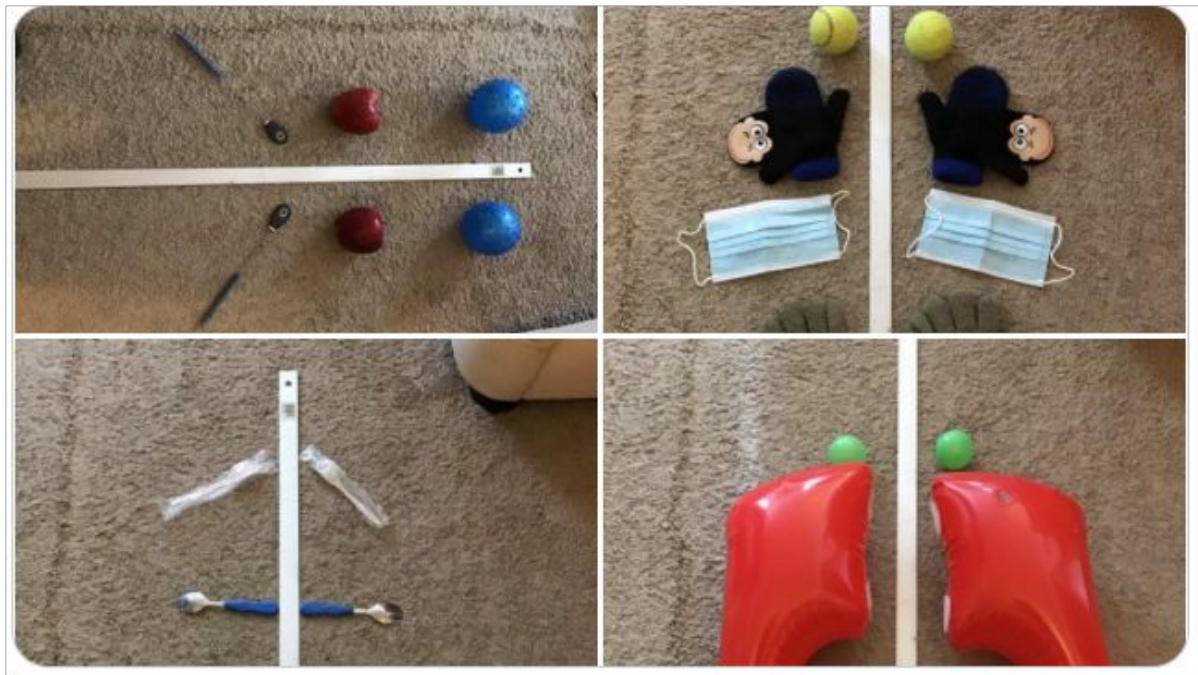
My dream for change is
no bad pepole. I think
the world will be happy.
It makes me feel sad.



if everyone had
a warm place to
stay I think this
Good this makes
me feel happy



Students in Mrs. Weiser's class were asked to find household items and create a design that showed symmetry! Here is NT's work!



Symmetry at work at home!



Rising Chefs were at it again cooking pasta!

The great thing about pasta is that there is no right or wrong way! The way we cook pasta is very much part of our family tradition and culture!

Sauce? No sauce? Tomato? Cream? Pesto?



Pasta! Pasta! Yummy pasta!



Meet "H. A." a yellow and blue Halbert hawk.

A real hawk was seen flying around one of our students' neighbourhood. She has named it, "H. A." not to be confused with "ha!"



A Message from The Governor General of Canada

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



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!

Julie Payette



Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette
Governor General of Canada



8 décembre 2020



Félicitations à vous tous qui célébrez le 70^{ième} anniversaire 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 ancienne astronaute: avec un peu d'effort, même la Terre peut être à nos pieds!

Julie Payette



Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette
Governor General of Canada



A Message from The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario

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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.

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PRIME MINISTER • PREMIER MINISTRE



PRIME MINISTER • PREMIER MINISTRE

2020

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone celebrating the 70th anniversary of H. A. Halbert Junior Public School.



In 1950, the groundwork was laid for a school that would emphasize academic achievement and promote personal responsibility and good citizenship. Over the years, H. A. Halbert Junior Public School has fostered a dynamic learning environment of which students and graduates can be proud.

As a former teacher, I understand and value the importance of a strong education system that equips young Canadians of all backgrounds with the tools and guidance they need to succeed in life. I would like to commend the principals, teachers and staff of H. A. Halbert Junior Public School, past and present, for helping to develop young minds and prepare students for the challenges and opportunities that await them.

Please accept my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Justin P.J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada

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



Child and Family Centre

Parent Worker: Ms. M. Megitt

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

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Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30am	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music Live	Story & Music Live	Story & Music FB Room	
9:30 am	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music FB Room
10:00am	Wellness Chat FB Room	Special Guest Mind Beacon Zoom		Wellness Chat FB Room	Wellness Chat FB Room
10:30 am			Panel Meeting Welcome to Kindergarten Zoom	Special Guest Importance of Home Language Google Meet	
11:00	Coffee Chat FB Room	Parent Talk FB Room		Story & Music Zoom ID406 504 7055 Passcode: Forever	
12:00 pm	Story & Music	Story & Music Zoom ID406 504 7055 Passcode: Forever	Teddy Bear Picnic FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Story & Music
12:30 pm		S & S Google Meet	Active Fun FB Room	S & S Google Meet	
1:00pm	Sing Along FB Room	Story & Music FB Room	Kids Choice FB Room	Show & Share FB Room	

Google Meet Address

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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.

