Halbert News Online

Week 15 - December 10, 2018 Character Trait: Kindness and Caring



HA Halbert is a Nut – Aware / Allergy – Aware School



Please **do not** send any 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.

Our Parent Council 18/19



Chair - Ms. Ramsay Vice Chair - Ms. Chung Treasurer - Ms. Tassie Secretary - Ms. Tunney Community Outreach - Ms. Williamson Elected Parent Members - Ms. Bergeron, Ms. Guerrero, Ms. Smith

E-Mail the Chair: leann.ramsay@tdsb.on.ca

Appreciation

A big thank you to the volunteers who read with our students on a weekly basis! If you are interested in volunteering, please visit the Office to get a Vulnerable Sector Screening or Police Check.

We received four volunteers last week! Thank you so much!!

Upcoming Dates / Events / Activities

- Dec 10 Book Fair Begins!!
- Dec 11 Superintendent of Education Visit (PM)
- Dec 11 Concert Run Through (AM for Junior and PM for Primary)
- Dec 12 Junior Concert Dress Rehearsal (AM)
- Dec 13 Primary Concert Dress Rehearsal (AM)
- Dec 14 Halbert Office closes at 4:15 PM
- Dec 17 Lost and Found on Display
- Dec 21 Last Day of School for 2018
- Jan 7 First Day of School for 2019

Jingle Bell Hawks: A Halbert Holiday Concert



Wednesday, December 12, 2018 6:00 p.m. in the School Gym Grades 4, 5, 6 & Instrumental Music Grand Finale with ALL Gr 4, 5 and 6 Students!!

Performers are asked to arrive by **5:30 PM** and report to their afternoon classrooms.

Jingle Bell Hawks: A Halbert Holiday Concert



Thursday, December 13, 2018

5:30 p.m. in the School Gym Kindergarten Classes and Family Sing-A-Long

Kindergarten performers are asked to arrive by **5:00 PM** and report to their classrooms.

Thursday, December 13, 2018 6:00 p.m. in the School Gym Grades 1, 2, 3 & Primary Choir Grand Finale with ALL Gr 1, 2 and 3 Students!!

Performers are asked to arrive by **5:30 PM** and report to their assigned waiting areas (either Rooms 1 or 2).





Parking is **extremely limited** at HA Halbert.

We encourage families within the immediate vicinity to **walk** to the concert and others to **car pool** when possible.

Parking may also be possible on nearby side streets.

Scholastic Book Fair



Book Fair

December 10 - 14, 2018 Open during school time for students. Open at 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM for families (M - Th).

Book Fair will be open during the evening of the Holiday Concerts!!

Wednesday, December 12, 2018
5:00 PM - 5:45 PM

Thursday, December 13, 2018 4:45 PM - 5:15 PM 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM 6:45 PM - 7:15 PM

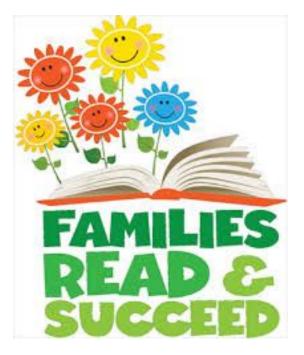
Provincial Consultation on Education Reform

Parents, students, educators and community members are invited to provide feedback on several areas of the province's education system, including updating the Health and Physical Education curriculum and improving student performance in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

Closing date is Dec. 15, 2018. To learn more and how you can participate, visit <u>http://www.fortheparents.ca</u>

Family Literacy

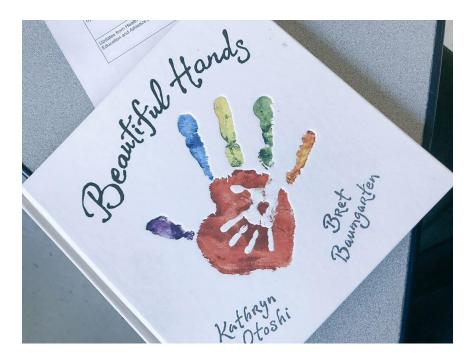
In January 2019 we will once again celebrate the importance of family literacy. The family, after all, is the student's first teachers! We look forward to sharing some activities with you in January to further our goal of family literacy!



Beautiful Hands

Every classroom received a copy of the book Beautiful Hands. In it, the author, Kathryn Otoshi invites readers to think about the good that our hands can do for others.

The whole school was invited to respond, artistically, to the words of the text. Thanks to Ms. Hawkins for all of her support!



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The Kindness Tree

One of our Grade 6 students approached us on Thursday and asked if we could have a tree outside the main office. Instead of holiday decorations, staff, students and families can write positive quotes or sentiments.

The student went on to say, so that when someone is feeling down, they can come and select a message from the tree.

We're on it!



Gr 4 Extended French Programs for 19/20 School Year

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

- Junior Extended French (JEF) which begins in Grade 4

We guarantee an offer of placement in the program (not a specific school) to all on-time applicants. Transportation is provided as per the Board's Transportation policy.

 Applications for Junior Extended French must be completed online between January 7, 2019 and February 4, 2019.

Our Parent Council 18/19



School Advisory (Parent) Council Meeting Monday, January 14, 2019 6:00 p.m. School Library

Child minding available.

Movie Night!



School Advisory (Parent) Council Hosts Movie Night

Thursday, January 17, 2018

Please Save the Date!!

Snuggle Up and Read Afternoon

Thursday, January 24, 2019 1:45 pm - 2:45 pm Parents of Kindergarten to Grade 2

Topic: Decoding Skills

Childminding is available.



Halbert's EarlyON Child and Family Centre

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



Child and Family Centre

Was your child born in <u>2015</u>?

If so ... then your child, grandchild, niece, nephew or family friend can attend Junior Kindergarten in **September 2019!**

Consider spending this year with



This is a transition opportunity Child and Family Centre for the Kindergarten-to-be! Please share this news and invitation with your family, friends and neighbours!

Safe Arrival Program

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

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