










WHAT'S UP at DOC?



Dr. F.W.L. Hamilton School e-memo

Date	School Day	
Monday, April 7	4 	Welcome Back! Flashlight Reading for Grade 3 at a.m. Recess (Lib) Flashlight Reading for Kinders at p.m. Recess (Lib)
Tuesday, April 8	5 	Flashlight Reading for Grade 1 (Cook) at a.m. Recess (Lib) Grade 4 & 5 Basketball at Lunch Recess (Gym) Makerspace for Grade 3 at Lunch Recess (Lib) Flashlight Reading for Grade 1 (Chan) at p.m. Recess (Lib) PAC Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Library
Wednesday, April 9	6 	
Thursday, April 10	1 	Grade 4 & 5 Basketball at Lunch Recess (Gym) Movie Night at 6:30!!! (See info below. Thank you, PAC)!
Friday, April 11	2 	Metro Professional Learning Day NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

Date	School Day	
Monday, April 14	3 	Grade 4 & 5 Basketball at Lunch Recess (Gym)
Tuesday, April 15	4 	PAC GLENLEA FUNDRAISER DEADLINE (See info below) Flashlight Reading for Grade 5 at a.m. Recess (Lib) Makerspace for Grade 2 at Lunch Recess (Lib) Flashlight Reading for Grade 2 at p.m. Recess (Lib)
Wednesday, April 16	5 	BUS EVACUATION PRACTICE KEVA Block Challenges for Grade 3 at a.m. Recess (Lib) Grade 4 & 5 Handball at Lunch Recess (Gym) Coding Club for Grade 2 at Lunch Recess (Lib) Flashlight Reading for Grade 4 at p.m. Recess (Lib)
Thursday, April 17	6 	BUS EVACUATION PRACTICE (EVEN KINDERS) Grade 4 & 5 Basketball at Lunch Recess (Gym)
Friday, April 18	X	GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS & STAFF

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

April 23	Grade 4 & 5 Basketball Tournament at DH with BH (10:00 – 2:30)
April 24	HOT LUNCH – TBA by PAC
April 30	Grade 4 & 5 Handball Tournament at Bernie Wolfe School (p.m.)

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PAC MOVIE NIGHT

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APRIL 10, 2025 6:30 PM
DR FWL HAMILTON SCHOOL
CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN

ADMISSION: \$5 PER PERSON

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! SIGN UP AT:
[HTTPS://VOLUNTEERSIGNUP.ORG/JFMC3](https://volunteersignup.org/jfmc3)



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Let's
DONATE
FOR PAC MOVIE
NIGHT FUN JARS



**PAC IS LOOKING FOR FAMILIES TO DONATE
A JAR WITH A MINIMUM OF \$5 WORTH OF
ITEMS. THESE JARS WILL BE AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE AT OUR PAC MOVIE NIGHT
ON APRIL 10**

**IDEAS FOR THE FUN JARS: STICKERS,
CANDY, GAMES, FIDGETS, ACCESSORIES,
GUM, SEASONAL ITEMS**

**DROP OFF AT DR HAMILTON OFFICE
APRIL 7-10, 2025
QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
DRFWLHAMILTONPAC@GMAIL.COM**

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EXTRA CLOTHING: PLEASE SEND!

Please consider sending some “back-up clothing” to school in your child’s backpack. Extra mitts, gloves, socks and pants are great to have at school so that students do not ask to phone home for replacements. 😊

PAC FUNDRAISER

PAC SPRING FUNDRAISER
2025
GLENLEA GREENHOUSES
IS BACK!

**Online ordering is now open until Tuesday, April 15th
11:59pm**

www.glenleagreenhouses.com

Please see information flyer for ordering details.

**Proceeds from the fundraiser go towards our student's
classrooms, playground, and other PAC funded
initiatives.**

**Pick up will be Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at the school
(details to be provided at a later date)**

Thank you for supporting our wonderful school and students!

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CLASSROOM PLACEMENT PROCESS

As we head into the last portion of the year, we are starting to think ahead to the 2025-2026 school year. Part of our thinking includes collecting information for class placements. Placing students into classrooms is a team process with input from administration, classroom teachers, resource teachers, counsellors and specialists. It is our strong belief that the learning atmosphere in the classroom must be the first consideration in the formation of class groupings. Classes will be organized to maximize learning and teaching opportunities for students and for teachers. We will make every effort to minimize the potential for negative student interactions. Staff teams strive to create classes that are heterogeneous and balanced in all respects.

The following dynamics are all considered when determining class lists:

- Range of student learning profiles
- Social dynamics among students
- Learning and working styles
- Placement of students new to Dr. Hamilton School
- Male/female ratio
- Students with additional needs
- Family considerations (twins, siblings, cousins, etc.)
- Approximately equal class sizes at any grade level

Parents can assist the class formation process by helping their children to understand the importance of class formation and supporting placements that have been made. It is our professional responsibility to ensure balanced classes which maximize learning for all students. This is a complicated and multi-faceted task for teachers. Our teachers have a wealth of collective knowledge regarding how individual children learn and socialize. While staff members have much of the information required to create balanced classes, parents may want to provide us with specific input about the learning needs of their children. Helpful information may include learning and work styles, needs for structure, etc. As a result of the reasons outlined above, requests for specific teachers cannot be accepted. **If you have information regarding your child that would be helpful to our team to consider for class composition for the 2025-2026 school year, please send the written information to bmcintyre@retsd.mb.ca by April 30, 2025.**

Please note: The school reserves the right to make the final decision based on the overall educational needs of all students at a particular grade level. All placements are subject to staffing changes. Class placements will be included in the June report card.

To aid our planning for the fall, we are asking any families who are planning to move over the summer to inform the school office as soon as your plans are confirmed. Finally, if you are aware of new families with school age children moving into our designated area, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your support!

Please phone the school at any time with any questions you may have!