

WHAT'S UP at DOC?



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

Date	School Day	
Monday, October 13	X	Happy Thanksgiving NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS & STAFF
Tuesday, October 14	5 	Grade 4 & 5 Flag Football Club at Lunch Recess Grade 4 Makerspace Challenge (Library) at Lunch Recess PAC Meeting in the Library at 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 15	6 	
Thursday, October 16	1 	Flag Football Club Event at East Side Eagles Field
Friday, October 17	2 	HOT LUNCH Grade 5 Makerspace Challenge (Library) at Lunch Recess

Date	School Day	
Monday, October 20	3 	Winter Concert Actors Rehearsal at Lunch Recess
Tuesday, October 21	4 	Grade 1 Mad Science Program Begins (Before School) Winter Concert Actors Rehearsal at Lunch Recess Grade 3 Makerspace Challenge (Library) at Lunch Recess
Wednesday, October 22	5 	Grade 2/3 Mad Science Program Begins (Before School) Volleyball Club Sign-Up at Lunch Recess
Thursday, October 23	6 	Grade 4/5 Mad Science Program Begins (Before School) PAC HALLOWEEN HOWL EVENING EVENT!!!
Friday, October 24	1 	Coordinated Day NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

October 27	Picture Day for Even Day Kindergarten and Grade 1-5 Photo Retakes
November 6	Celebration of Learning Conferences 4:30 – 8:00 p.m.
November 7	School Based Administration Day: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS Celebration of Learning Conferences 9:30 – Noon
November 11	REMEMBRANCE DAY: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS & STAFF

ACCESS to the POWERSCHOOL PARENT PORTAL

Last week, we sent an email to remind families about the importance of attaining access to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Instructions were attached to the email to support you. We ask that you access the Parent Portal as soon as possible to review your child's Student Information Verification form.

Here is the email in case you missed it ...

Did you know that accessing the PowerSchool Parent Portal is an important component throughout your child's school experience? The Parent Portal is where you will view their Report Cards, access their schedules in later years, and fill out school consent forms, permission slips, etc.

Your child's Student Information Verification form is already on your portal to review. Please access this as soon as possible in case there are changes to your contact information, etc. You will be prompted to review and then "submit" this form.

If you require assistance accessing the Parent Portal, please give us a call at the school!

VISION & HEARING SCREENING

Each year, students in Kindergarten and Grades 1, 3 and 5 participate in Vision Screening at the school. Students in Kindergarten and Grade 1 participate in Hearing Screening.

An email with more detailed information about the Screenings will be shared with families this week. Parents and Caregivers will give consent for their child(ren) to participate via the PowerSchool Parent Portal. The screenings will take place on November 13 and 14.

If you are interested in **volunteering** to help us with this process, please email me or call me at the school: bmcintyre@retsd.mb.ca. Duties would include coordinating and retrieving classes, bringing students to and from the screening area, etc. Thank you for your consideration!

PAC NEWS

INSTAGRAM PAGE - Did you know that our PAC has an Instagram Page? Please follow us at **drfwlhamiltonpac** to keep up to date on events, fundraisers and other news from PAC!

MABEL'S LABELS - Just a reminder about PAC's ongoing fundraiser with Mabel's Labels. Please head on over to <https://mabelslabels.ca/en-CA/fundraising/support> and search **Dr. FWL Hamilton School** to find the fundraiser. A portion of sales is paid back to the school to help with classroom resources, playground equipment and PAC funded initiatives. PAC thanks you for your ongoing support!

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RETSO CONCERN PROTOCOL

Please review the following protocol for how to manage concerns that you may have about your child's experience at school. We value your communication and your partnership!



September 11, 2023

Concern Protocol

Your child's school will always try to make the learning experience a positive, safe, and happy one for its students. However, if you have a concern or an issue, please don't hesitate to let the school know. Open communication between home and school is very important to us.

1 Talk to the person most directly involved—your child's teacher. If you must leave a message, provide a day and evening phone number where the teacher can reach you.



2 If talking to the teacher doesn't resolve the issue, talk to the principal.



If you've talked to the principal, but the issue has not been resolved over a period of time, call the superintendent's department at 204.667.7130 or email info@retsd.mb.ca.

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If you disagree with the decision of the superintendent's department, you can make an appeal in writing to the Board of Trustees.



For more information:
Policy KE—Concern Protocol
Policy KE-R—Concerns and Complaints Process
retsd.mb.ca



ALL VISITORS, PLEASE REPORT TO THE OFFICE! 😊

For the safety of our children, and to account for everyone's safety in the event of an emergency, it is important that we know who is within our school building all the time. Parents and caregivers are kindly asked to make the Main Office their first stop when coming to the school. If you need to drop something off for your child, we will assist you. If you need to see your child, we will call them to the Office for you. If you are picking your child up early, we will ask you to sign them out in the Office. Thank you very much for your cooperation!



FALL WEATHER CLOTHING REMINDERS

As we move into some cooler and potentially wet fall weather, please ensure students are bringing warm clothing to school including jackets, mitts/gloves, toques, rubber boots. etc. ***Having an extra pair of pants and socks at school is VERY helpful! Labeling clothing with your child's name is helpful too.*** (See information about our PAC's ongoing Mabel's Labels fundraiser above).

Our goal is to have kids outside for recess as often as possible, even when it gets a little wet. 😊

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YEAR at a GLANCE

Update your calendars! More important dates will be shared as they emerge throughout the year.

OCTOBER

- 7 Bus Evacuation (K)
Grade 4 & 5 Flag Football Event
- 8 Bus Evacuation (K-5)
Fundraiser Pick-Up in Gym at Dismissal
- 9 Coordinated Day (No School)
- 10 Coordinated Day (No School)
- 13 Thanksgiving (No School)
- 16 Flag Football Alternate Date
- 21 Grade 1 Mad Science Begins
- 22 Grade 2/3 Mad Science Begins
- 23 Grade 4/5 Mad Science Begins
- 24 MTS PD Day (No School)
- 27 Picture Re-Take Day
- 31 Halloween Party Assembly P5

NOVEMBER

- 6 Celebration of Learning 4:30 – 8:00
- 7 School-Based PD Day (No School)
a.m. Celebration of Learning
- 11 Remembrance Day (No School)
- 14 Vision & Hearing Screening (K, 1, 3, 5)
- 27 Report Cards Published
- TBD Grade 4 & 5 Volleyball Event

DECEMBER

- 17 Winter Concerts
- 19 Last Day of Classes

JANUARY

- 5 Classes Resume
- 30 Coordinated Day (No School)

FEBRUARY

- 2 Coordinated Day (No School)
- 16 Louis Riel Day (No School)

MARCH

- 16 or 17 Tumbling Rally
- 19 Report Cards Published
Celebration of Learning 4:30 – 8:00
- 20 Coordinated Day (No School)
a.m. Celebration of Learning
- 27 Last Day of Classes

APRIL

- 6 Classes Resume
- 10 Coordinated Day (No School)
- 13 Fubuki Daiko Drumming Begins
- 28 Grade 4 Zone Handball Event
- 29 Grade 5 Mini Handball Event

MAY

- 13 Grade 1-3 Folkdance in the Park
- 18 Victoria Day (No School)
- 20 Folkdance in the Park Alternate
- 29 Grade 5 Track & Field Event

JUNE

- 8 School-Based PD Day (No School)
- 17 Grade 4 & 5 Soccer Event
- 24 Field Day
- 26 Farewell Assembly
- 30 Last Day - 2:55 Dismissal

PHOTO CORNER

Beautiful depictions of our school mascot, the Dragon Fly, by members of our Grade 5 Paint Club ...



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