











WHAT'S UP at DOC?



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

Date	School Day	
Monday, April 6	4 	WELCOME BACK!!!
Tuesday, April 7	5 	Grade 4 Handball Club at 12:30
Wednesday, April 8	6 	
Thursday, April 9	1 	Grade 5 Handball Club at 12:30 PAC MOVIE NIGHT!!!
Friday, April 10	2 	Coordinated Day: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

Date	School Day	
Monday, April 13	3 	Fubuki Daiko Workshops Begin Grade 4 Handball Club at 12:30
Tuesday, April 14	4 	Grade 4 & 5 Drama Club at 12:30 PAC Meeting at 6:00 in the Library
Wednesday, April 15	5 	Grade 5 Handball Club at 12:30
Thursday, April 16	6 	Grade 4 & 5 Drama Club at 12:30
Friday, April 17	1 	Grade 3 Handball Club at 12:30 Fubuki Daiko Performance at 3:00 – Families Welcome

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

April 24	HOT LUNCH
May 12	PAC Meeting at 6:00
May 18	VICTORIA DAY: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS & STAFF
May 20	Welcome to Kindergarten Event at 6:00 p.m. at DH

FUBUKI DAIKO JAPANESE DRUMMING RESIDENCY at DH

Fubuki Daiko is a professional Japanese Taiko (drumming) group that was founded in Winnipeg in 1995. Thanks to a grant that was secured by Mr. Chan, as well as a generous sum of financial support from our Parent Advisory Council (PAC), Fubuki Daiko will be coming to Dr. Hamilton School during the weeks of April 13-17 and 20-24 to run daily workshops with all students!

Families are invited to a culminating student performance in the Gym at the end of each week at 3:00.

Friday, April 17: Mrs. Hornung's Class, Mr. Walker's Class, Mrs. Derksen & Ms. Chamber's Class, Mr. Ryan's Class and Mrs. Baseraba & Mrs. Derksen's Class will perform.

Friday, April 24: Ms. Chorney's Class, Ms. Anderlic's Class, Ms. Ducharme's Class, Mrs. O'Leary's Class, Mrs. Brown's Class and Ms. Popovich's Class will perform

Thank you to our PAC for supporting this unique learning opportunity in our school!

Check out the Fubuki Daiko website for more information: [Home](#) | [fubuki](#)



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Fubuki Daiko

Fubuki Daiko reinvents traditional Japanese drumming with their eclectic and energetic performances that are part martial arts athleticism, part meditation, and all rhythm. For over twenty years, they have performed at festivals, concert halls, and schools across North America. Collaborations with a wide range of groups including the Winnipeg Singers, Moses Mayes Family Funk Band, the Northern Plains Ballet, and Ron Paley's Big Band, have continued to fuel their pursuit of excellence and innovation in this ancient art form.

The core members of the group each have over 25 years of taiko experience and received their formative training from the founder of North American Taiko, Grandmaster Seichi Tanaka. After performing at Carnegie Hall with the San Francisco Taiko Dojo and leaving with Tanaka's blessing, they relocated to Winnipeg, Manitoba where they expanded into the current professional touring ensemble. The group's self-titled CD received a Prairie Music Award for Outstanding Instrumental Recording.

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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 2026-2027 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 heightened 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 2026-2027 school year, please send the written information to bmcintyre@retsd.mb.ca by April 30, 2026.**

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!

EXTRA CLOTHING: PLEASE SEND!

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

PAC MOVIE NIGHT!!!

Hello Parents!

We are so excited about our upcoming PAC Family Movie Night taking place on Thursday, April 9th from 6-8 p.m. Below is the link to sign up to volunteer to help make this event a success!

<https://volunteersignup.org/JFMC3>

As always, we are grateful for your help and support!



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 THURSDAY APRIL 9

IDEAS FOR THE FUN JARS: STICKERS, CANDY, GAMES, FIDGETS, ACCESSORIES, GUM, SEASONAL ITEMS
ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: CANNED DRINKS, EDIBLE ITEMS NOT IN A PACKAGE (E.G. JAR FULL OF LOOSE JELLY BEANS). ITEMS MUST BE IN A BAG OR A CONTAINER WITHIN THE JAR.

**DROP OFF AT DR HAMILTON OFFICE
APRIL 6-9 2026
QUESTIONS? CONTACT:
DRFWLHAMILTONPAC@GMAIL.COM**

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PAC FUNDRAISER: GLENLEA GREENHOUSES

The Glenlea Fundraiser is underway!

Please visit www.glenleagreenhouses.com to order. Please also see the information flyer for further details on how to place orders.

Deadline for Orders: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026

Pick up Date: WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2026

Please contact drfwlhamiltonfundraising@gmail.com for assistance.

**DR. HAMILTON PAC
SPRING FUNDRAISER 2026
GLENLEA GREENHOUSES**

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Please see information flyer for ordering details.

Order deadline: Wednesday, April 15, 2026
Pick up date: Wednesday, May 20, 2026

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Thank you for your support!

PAC FUNDRAISER: MABEL'S LABELS

Just a reminder that our fundraising campaign with Mabel's Labels is still ongoing!

If you need labels for school, sports or other activities, please visit <https://mabelslabels.ca/en-CA/fundraising/support> and search Dr. FWL Hamilton School to find the fundraiser.

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Buy Mabel's Labels waterproof, durable labels to help reduce classroom mix-ups and keep your items coming home!



Go to campaigns.mabelslabels.com and search for

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