

WHAT'S UP at DOC?



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

Date	School Day	
Monday, January 26	2 	Discovery Club (Kinder) a.m. Recess Gymnastics Club at Lunch Recess Minecraft Club (Ducharme/Anderlic) at Lunch Recess Discovery Club (Chambers/Derkson) p.m. Recess
Tuesday, January 27	3 	Gymnastics Club at Lunch Recess
Wednesday, January 28	4 	Discovery Club (Walker) a.m. Recess Minecraft Club (O'Leary/Brown) at Lunch Recess Discovery Club (Chorney) a.m. Recess
Thursday, January 29	5 	Gymnastics Club at Lunch Recess Grade 2 Drawing Club at Lunch Recess
Friday, January 30	6 	RETSD STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS

Date	School Day	
Monday, February 2	1 	RETSD STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING DAY: NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS
Tuesday, February 3	2 	Discovery Club (Kinder) a.m. Recess Gymnastics Club at Lunch Recess Minecraft Club (Popovich/Ryan) at Lunch Recess Discovery Club (Chambers/Derkson) p.m. Recess
Wednesday, February 4	3 	Gymnastics Club at Lunch Recess
Thursday, February 5	4 	GLOBAL PLAY DAY at DH (email coming this week) Discovery Club (Walker) a.m. Recess Minecraft Club (Baseraba/Chorney) at Lunch Recess Grade 2 Drawing Club at Lunch Recess Discovery Club (Chorney) p.m. Recess
Friday, February 6	5 	

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

February 16

Louis Riel Day: **NO SCHOOL for STUDENTS & STAFF**

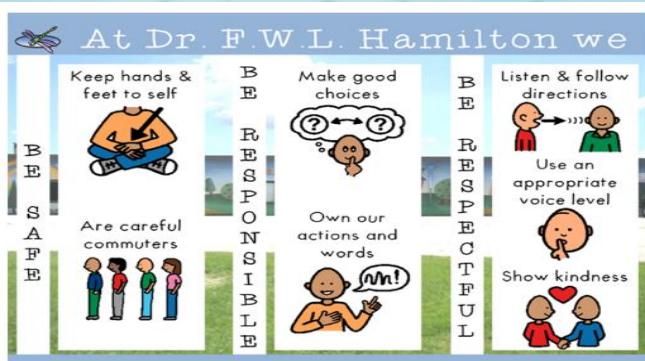
DH SCHOOL-WIDE BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS

RETSD schools follow the PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) model to put structures in place that create positive learning environments, improve student behavior, and boost academic and social-emotional outcomes. This model uses proactive approaches to teaching and reinforcing positive behaviors, (rather than just/only punishing negative ones). It involves defining and teaching clear expectations, as well as teaching children to navigate through, and repair their mistakes, in ways that foster genuine growth and improvement.

Teachers on our DH PBIS Committee have created a more concrete and visually relevant iteration of our school-wide behaviour expectations. We met with Family Groups this week to introduce the visual and to share a video that some of our Grade 5 Student Leaders made to showcase what it means to "Take Care of Each Other," (our first major area of focus). Staff have been "catching" students taking care of each other and writing what they see on the tickets that our Family Groups created. We broadcast these good news stories via announcements and then give the tickets to the students to keep in a safe place!



In the coming weeks, students will interact with our new visual (above), and compare-and-contrast it with our previous visual (right). We will spotlight each of the three sections (lily pads) through examples, roleplay, and by recognizing students who are following expectations in the moment.



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LUNCH PROGRAM NEWS

Dr. Hamilton Lunch Program is hiring! **PAID POSITIONS** for classroom/recess supervision are available. The commitment is just over 1 hour per day and the number of days per week is flexible! Please reach out to dhlunchprogram@gmail.com if you or someone you know, (University student, grandparent, etc.) is interested!

**Dr. Hamilton
Lunch Program
is Hiring!**



THE COMPASSION PROJECT at DH

Students who are currently participating in The Compassion Project have been exploring different playground scenarios through stories and roleplay. Looking at everyday events through many different perspectives helps us to cultivate empathy and strategies by developing deeper understanding of others' points of view. This is especially important during unstructured times when adults will not always be right alongside to provide immediate guidance. (Note: at DH, we have 8 – 12 staff supervisors outside during all unstructured/recess times).



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Registration will begin at all RETSD schools on Monday, March 2, 2026.

Your child is eligible to attend Kindergarten in September if they turn five years old on or before December 31, 2026.

Families must register children at their catchment school. Click this link for more information:
[2026–27 Kindergarten Registration in RETSD](#)

PHOTO CORNER

Students playing with owl themes at our Grade 2 Drawing Club ...



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