



HES January News

2019



January is Kindergarten Registration Month!

Parents: starting Kindergarten is a big deal – for your little one, and you! There's so many new things to learn and explore. There are new routines to start, new friends to make, and new teachers to meet. We understand it's a big step, and a major milestone. But, when you're ready to let them go, we'll be here to welcome them!

Grand Erie District School Board's Kindergarten classrooms are inclusive, fun environments, committed to setting your child up for success. Kindergarten begins this fall for students aged four or five years old by December 31, 2019.



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Please make call for an appointment with registrations to begin during the week of January 21st.

Inclement Weather Information:

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- **Hagersville Elementary School is in Zone 2.**
- Information on Student Transportation Services can be found here: <http://www.stsbhn.ca/>
- For transportation delays, cancellations or school closures, visit: www.transinfobhn.ca/Cancellations
- If there are school or board facility closures, Grand Erie will post a notification by 6:30 a.m. on the Board's website here: www.granderie.ca
- Information will be posted on Grand Erie's Twitter (@GEDSB) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/GEDSB) accounts
- Closure information will also be shared with local media (i.e. radio, television)
- Find the Board's Inclement Weather Policy here: <https://bit.ly/2HoC1YX>
- Learn how Student Transportation Services makes its decision about inclement weather here: bit.ly/2JIVSk9

A message
from our
health unit....

THE **ABC's**
of Healthy Schools
& STUDENTS

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For more information about
healthy schools, visit
hnhu.org/schoolhealth

H is for... Handwashing

Kids don't always listen when parents tell them to wash their hands before eating, after using the bathroom, or when they come inside from playing. But it's a message worth repeating — hand washing is by far the best way to prevent germs from spreading and to keep kids from getting sick.

Good handwashing is the first line of defence against the spread of many illnesses – from the common cold to more serious infections such as the flu, meningitis and hepatitis A. To minimize the germs passed around your family, make regular hand washing a rule for everyone!





Hagersville Elementary School will be the recipient of future funding for the infrastructure of our current library space. The plan is to update the space to transform it into a more modern space called a Learning Commons. A Learning Commons is a space that incorporates the use of technology for the gathering and sharing of information and may include a more comprehensive collection of learning tools to include a Lego wall or green screen. The Learning Commons will include items that are affixed to our school, as well as furniture that can be moved in order to suit the needs of the individual or groups that are in the room.

Hagersville Elementary School has been selected to receive funding for the infrastructure during the next two years on the condition that the school makes a fundraising commitment to purchasing the furniture that will be required to make this room a highly creative and efficient space in which to learn.

Our School Advisory Council has been meeting to discuss fundraising initiatives in order to raise money for this initiative. The Council will be running a chocolate bar campaign over the next several weeks. Further information will be forthcoming.

We would like to extend our appreciation to those families that are able to help support this fundraising event for this worthwhile investment.



Hagersville Elementary School's Got Talent



The grade 6, 7, and 8 students will be participating in our first annual karaoke concert during the school day on Friday, January 25. Brad Bell of Stageshow Entertainment Group will be providing his services to our school. The students will choose songs from his library and they will practise these songs prior to January 25. The students will perform these songs for their classes throughout the day and a select few will be chosen from each class to participate in a concert for the entire school during the last block of the day.

Pizza Days

Pizza days will be offered every Friday as a trial until March Break. Funds raised from these days will continue to offset the costs of special events and initiatives throughout the school.



Skating Programme Reminder

The **FREE** skating programme will be starting this month. Please submit permission forms as soon as possible. All students are required to wear CSA approved helmets. If you have extra helmets (CSA approved) and/or skates, we welcome donations for those who do not have them.

