



# Hawthorne Elementary School

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Hawthorne Parents and Guardians,

I send a big thank you out to all the parents and teachers who participated in our first formal conferences of the year. It is a valuable opportunity for parents to connect with their child's teacher and share initial observations and information. These conferences are an important part of the ongoing process of communicating student learning. Please remember that teachers and the administration team are always willing to discuss a student's progress and any emerging needs that need to be addressed. It is best to arrange a time for those discussions so that staff can be prepared with all the information needed for the discussion to be effective.

We are very quickly approaching Halloween which means this week will be very full of giddy, nervous anticipation for many kids. Each teacher will plan some festive activities for students in class and we look forward to seeing those students and staff who wish to dress up wearing some fun, creative costumes.

I hope everyone has a happy and safe Halloween!

Sincerely,

J. Hope  
Principal

## HALLOWEEN

Many students and staff will celebrate Halloween this Friday, October 29. Students are welcome to wear their costumes to school that day as long as they are comfortable enough to still learn in all day and can be easily put on and removed for bathroom purposes. Because of the age range of kids in the building, we ask that costumes not be too scary and we ask that any swords, guns etc. get left at home for the school day. Teachers will be leading activities in their own classrooms in lieu of a costume parade this year to help limit the contact between groups. Students can bring their own treats to enjoy at school that day, but please do not send in group treats for classes.

We would like to thank the PAC for providing pumpkins to our primary classes who participated in a pumpkin patch event on our school grounds so that students could find the perfect pumpkin to take home! Many primary and intermediate classes will be participating in an outdoor Pumpkin Run this Friday where they have a chance to win an additional pumpkin.

## HAWTHORNE SPIRIT WEAR

We are very excited to announce the return of Hawthorne Spirit Wear. These are navy blue garments that feature our Hawthorne Hawks logo. For this year, we are offering t-shirts, long-sleeve t-shirts, and hoodies. Items can be viewed and purchased through an online store set up for our school. The link was sent out in an email but here it is again: <https://www.prostockathleticsupply.com/collections/hawthorne-hawks-online-store>



Gildan Pullover Hood  
(Hawthorne Hawks)

\$35<sup>00</sup>



Ladies Short Sleeve T-Shirt  
(Hawthorne Hawks)

\$15<sup>00</sup>



Gildan Long Sleeve T-Shirt  
(Hawthorne Hawks)

\$20<sup>00</sup>



Gildan Short Sleeve T-Shirt  
(Hawthorne Hawks)

\$15<sup>00</sup>


The order deadline is October 31 so that the orders can be processed and returned in time for Christmas!

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS (PBIS)

Behaviour is a skill set, like reading, writing, and math that needs to be explicitly taught and revisited repeatedly. Five years ago, the staff at Hawthorne worked to develop a set of common expectations for student behaviour in various school contexts. They arrived at three basic rules or expectations that guide all student conduct. Those are "Take Care of Self", "Take Care of Others", and "Take Care of This Place". We have revisited this valuable work and have used these three statements to update a behaviour matrix which focuses on positively worded statements. We looked at what taking care of self, others and place would look like in the

following areas: classrooms, eating, outside, gym, technology use, washrooms, hallways/entrances and assemblies.

The goal of PBIS is to focus on kids showing exemplary behaviour rather than those who do not. To help with this, staff will be issuing Hawthorne Helping Hands vouchers to students who are ‘caught’ showing expected behaviour. Those students will have their names entered into a draw for some small weekly prizes. They will also work to pool their class’s vouchers for a class reward. Our focus for the first couple weeks will be on learning and demonstrating the acceptable eating behaviours that show how to take care of self, others, and place. Here is what the complete matrix looks like:



	Classroom	Using Technology	Eating	Outside	Washrooms	Gym	Halls/ Entrances	Assemblies
Take Care of Self	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participate with best efforts in activities</li> <li>Follow directions and routines</li> <li>Stay organized</li> <li>Show a growth mindset</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep passwords and personal information private</li> <li>Follow teacher direction</li> <li>Stay on approved sites</li> <li>Log out of accounts when done</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wash hands</li> <li>Remain seated</li> <li>Eat the food provided by home</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep hands and feet to self</li> <li>Respect school boundaries</li> <li>Make safe play choices</li> <li>Come in quickly when bell goes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flush the toilet</li> <li>Wash hands</li> <li>Return to class quickly and quietly</li> <li>Let teacher know where you are</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enter calmly and safely</li> <li>Be prepared and participate to the best of your ability</li> <li>Follow safety expectations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Line up and walk calmly and quietly</li> <li>Face forward and stay to the right while walking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Show whole body listening</li> <li>Choose an appropriate spot to sit</li> <li>Respond appropriately</li> </ul>
Take Care of Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Help and encourage others</li> <li>Respect property and personal space</li> <li>Respect different ideas, thoughts and opinions</li> <li>Be welcoming and supportive of guests</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Charge technology for the next user</li> <li>Tell an adult about safety concerns</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use an inside voice</li> <li>Respect student/ adult monitors</li> <li>Be aware of people's allergies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walk wheels on schoolgrounds</li> <li>Include others</li> <li>Use kind and appropriate language</li> <li>Respect personal boundaries</li> <li>Report safety concerns to adults</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respect privacy</li> <li>Leave lights on and stall doors unlocked</li> <li>Leave it clean and tidy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow instructions</li> <li>Show good sportsmanship</li> <li>Cooperate with others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep hands and feet to self</li> <li>Maintain personal space</li> <li>Hold doors for others</li> <li>Be respectful of other classes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep hands and feet to self</li> <li>Show respectful audience behaviour to presenters</li> <li>Stay seated appropriately</li> <li>Help peers stay focused</li> </ul>
Take Care of this Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use materials and supplies appropriately and return them to the correct place</li> <li>Work together to keep spaces clean</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Return technology to the correct place</li> <li>Keep all food and drink away</li> <li>Use in a clear and clean area</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clean up when finished</li> <li>Use the correct recycling, compost, and garbage bins</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Keep grounds tidy</li> <li>Be respectful of nature</li> <li>Use all equipment safely and respectfully</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use minimal paper towel to dry hands</li> <li>Turn off tap when finished</li> <li>Report damage or mess to an adult</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use equipment appropriately</li> <li>Be respectful of the gym space</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wipe your feet at the door</li> <li>Hang up and store personal items neatly</li> <li>Respect hallway displays</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be mindful of equipment</li> <li>Sit in the assigned area</li> </ul>

## PARKING AND TRAFFIC

Thank you to those who are cooperating with the traffic signs and expectations on the school property and in the neighbourhood. Please continue to utilize the Hawthorne Park parking lot and pathway on Grove Avenue, both of which provide a safe, convenient way for kids to get to school. A reminder to everyone not to block access to our school neighbour’s driveways.

Drop off in the morning is going quite smoothly because people are dropping kids at the curb and leaving right away. It is the vehicles that remain stopped or try to park in the traffic circle that cause a great inconvenience to the rest of the families. When we all work together to have a smooth transition to school, it starts the kids, and parents, off on a positive note for the day! At the end of the day, it is more efficient to come after the bell so that kids have time to walk to the front of the school to be ready for pickup. That way a parent can drive right up to the curb allowing kids to quickly hop in without having the long delays of vehicles parked in the traffic circle.

## STUDENTS ARRIVING LATE

In the morning, the first bell goes at 8:52 for students to be let in the building for school to start at 8:57. If any student arrives after 8:57 they are late and are to **report to the front office** to get a “Welcome to School Slip” and to be signed in. There is a digital clock above the front door of the school to assist with this. Knocking on the front door upon arrival will let Ms. Hunt know someone is there. Please do not report directly to classrooms as the attendance and time needs to be altered by office staff before they begin calling families.

## BOOK FAIR

Mrs. Ratzlaff and Mrs. Mack would like to thank the Hawthorne community for making the Scholastic Book Fair a success. Even with the limited in-person access, we were able to sell over \$5000.00 worth of goods. This translates to over \$1600.00 in cash and book rewards to enhance our library! Thank you to everyone for their support.

## DISTRICT VISION 2030

Having a clear vision helps an organization establish it’s values, goals and purpose. The Delta School District went through an extensive process 10 years ago to capture the voices of thousands of stakeholders to create a Bold Vision that guided us through the last decade. That vision has been revisited with input from many stakeholders, through a variety of electronic surveys, to update it to reflect our current reality and to guide us

through the next 10 years. The new Vision 2030 will be unveiled this Thursday, October 28. If you are interested, here is a zoom link to attend:

**VISION 2030 LAUNCH**

Time: Oct 28, 2021 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87341060235>

It will also be posted on the Delta School District website Friday morning.

**REMEMBRANCE DAY**

In the interest of health and safety, we will not be able to host a community assembly for Remembrance Day. Instead, we will again be observing Remembrance Day in a virtual format. The classes wishing to participate will have their presentations recorded and compiled into an online assembly that the school will participate in on November 10. On November 11, school will not be in session to give the community the opportunity to reflect in their own way on the sacrifices of Canada’s soldiers past and present. We ask that students bring a small cash donation for the Veteran’s Poppy Fund, if they are able to, on November 10.

**PAC INFORMATION**

Our PAC held their elections for their executive positions at the last PAC meeting. The school would like to thank the following parents for putting forward their names to serve on the PAC executive for the 2021-2022 school year:

- Crystal Challoner, President
- Jasmeen Dick, Vice-President
- Heather Morris, Treasurer
- Kim Lundgren, Secretary
- Tanya Foley, DPAC Rep

There are many other parents who have stepped up for some of the various committees that assist with events over the course of the year. If you have interest in PAC activities, you can reach out to the executive via email at [pac.hawthorne.chair@gmail.com](mailto:pac.hawthorne.chair@gmail.com).

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Friday, October 29	Halloween celebrations/dress up at school
Thursday, November 11	Remembrance Day- No School
Friday, November 12	Grade 6/7 Immunizations
Monday, November 29	Pro D Day- No School for students