



Hawthorne Elementary School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Hawthorne Parents and Guardians,

Term 2 has gone by very quickly. It has ended with some excitement in the form of snow, which provides a lot of extra fun for kids of all ages. Thank you to our PAC who put together a fun Movie Night showing, "Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile", with lots of popcorn and pizza. There are still lots of things happening over the last days of the Term. Our grade 6/7 basketball teams ended their season off with an Inter-squad game at lunch hour. We had our first 'Cube Club' for kids to go and tackle solving puzzle cubes together. There are even door prizes for the participants. The next one is March 28. Our Grade 6's are halfway through their ski and snowboard lessons and the teachers in charge are seeing lots of growth in their skills already. Speaking of skill growth, the Term 2 report cards will be posted online on Parent Connect at 3:00 pm on Wednesday, March 8. These will be a snapshot of where the students are at this point in time. If you have any questions about the reports, please reach out to your child's teacher. Our Grade 7's had their first presentation from the Delta Secondary Vice Principal in charge of their grade 8 class, Mrs. Callandar. The students had many thoughtful questions and made a very good first impression.

On behalf of the Hawthorne staff, we wish everyone a safe, fun, and relaxing Spring Break from March 13-24.

J. Hope
Principal

Bell Reminder

In the morning, students are to be lined up at their designated entrance for the first bell at 8:52 am. That is when the doors open to give them 5 minutes to hang up coats, change shoes, and empty bags in time to be seated for attendance at 8:57 am, when school starts. After 8:57 am, students are to report to the office to check in as "late".

Traffic at the School

Like most schools, Hawthorne was designed and built at a time when most kids walked or rode bikes to school, and therefore is not able to easily handle large volumes of traffic. To help make it go smoother for everyone, please follow some of these tips:

1. Walk or ride to school.
2. Park offsite and walk from the street, Grove pathway, or from Hawthorne Park.
3. Obey signage. The traffic circle is a NO PARKING zone; drivers should not exit vehicles.
4. Designated parent parking is along the right side of the traffic circle. The parking lot is for staff only with the exception of people with Handicap Parking passes,
5. Day care parking is for the buses only.
6. Pedestrians, please use the crosswalks to cross the traffic circle. There has been an increase in people walking with children through traffic.
7. For pick up, arrive after 3:00 pm so kids have time to walk from class to the pick up spot.
8. Follow the cues of the adult and student crossing guards.

It takes everyone working together to keep the parking lots as safe as possible for everyone.

Kindergarten Registration for 2023-2022

If you or someone you know has a child that will be eligible for Kindergarten in September, please encourage them to register at their catchment school as soon as possible. Even with official registration times over, it can still be done.

Grade 7 Camp

The Grade 7's will have the opportunity to attend a 2-night camp at Evans Lake from April 26-28. There is a Parent Information Session on Zoom, Monday, March 6 at 5:30. Information was emailed out already.

Picking up Kids Early

Sometimes it is necessary to pick up kids early from school due to illness or appointments. Please let the teacher and the office know if you know in advance. The teacher will have the child wait at the office for a parent to come into the school to sign the child out from the office.

Medications at School

Sometimes it is necessary for medications to be administered at school. If that situation arises, there are forms to be picked up at the office and completed by a doctor outlining the type of medication and dosage as well as a tracking form for staff. Please DO NOT send children to school with over-the-counter medications, such as Advil or Tylenol in back packs. Although some older children are responsible, these can fall into the wrong hands and have serious implications for others.

Birthdays at School

At school we acknowledge each child’s birthday with a birthday card, birthday pencil and having their name read in the morning announcements. For all the summer birthdays, we make sure to acknowledge them in June before school is out. We ask again that families refrain from sending in treats and goodies on their child’s birthday. In addition, birthday invitations are not to be handed out at school. These situations, although meant to celebrate, can lead to challenges for kids and for classroom teachers.

Homestay Opportunity-International Programs

Delta School District International Programs needs more Homestay families for international students starting at Delta Secondary School in September. They come from all over the world and have a strong desire to be in Delta. If you are interested in hosting, please reach out to homestay@godelta.ca. If you are not able to host but know of a family who can, please send them our way. There are referral bonuses available for referring families that host students for September.

Grade 6/7 Spring Break Camp-Delta Film Academy

Join Delta Film Academy Instructors for a 5-day Production Bootcamp designed specifically for grade 6 to 9 students. Filmkids will learn about camera techniques, lighting, directing, acting in and shooting scenes from a script they helped create! After a week of hard work and learning, students will watch their completed film! Registration for Filmkids Spring Break workshop is open now! Program runs March 13 - 17 from 9AM to 12 NOON. The Cost is \$200 for the week! For more details see: <https://deltafilmacademy.com/>

Registration link: <https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/publicconnect/DEEvents.aspx>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, March 2	PAC Meeting
Wednesday, March 8	Walk to School Day
Wednesday, March 8	Term 2 Report Cards on Parent Connect – 3:00 pm
Thursday, March 9	Last Ski Day for Gr. 6
Friday, March 10	SPIRIT DAY – Silly Sock Day
Friday, March 10	Hot Lunch
Friday, March 10	Last Day before Spring Break
Monday, March 27	School Re-opens from Spring Break
Friday, March 31	SPIRIT DAY – Wear Blue for Autism Awareness
Friday, March 31	Hot Lunch
Friday, April 7	Good Friday – No School
Monday, April 10	Easter Monday – No School