

CTOBER COLLEGIATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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#### **BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE!**

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#### **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

#### Monday, October 14th!

No school – enjoy time with family and friends!

#### **SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY:**



Wear Black and Yellow on **Friday**, **October 4**th

#### GRADE 7 AND GRADE 8 VACCINES

Monday, October 7th

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING



**Monday, November 4**th at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join us!

#### Council Executive:

Chair: Kelsey Clohecy Secretary: Jackie Atkinson

Treasure: K. Cheng

**Staff:** C. Knezevic and H. Dempsey

#### KINDERGARTEN PUMPKIN PATCH TRIP

On October 17<sup>th</sup>, our Kinders will be going to Puddicombe Farms! Enjoy the pumpkin patch!

#### **SWIM TEAM**



Our Swim Team is getting ready for their season! Thank you to Mme. Knezevic, Mrs. Archibald, & Mrs. Dempsey for

all their time and effort preparing our team!

#### **FALL-FLING DANCE-A-THON FUNDRAISER**

Do you love to dance?



Do you hate to dance but want to support the school for a good cause?

#### Thursday, October 24th from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Come join our school community on for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Collegiate School Dance-A-Thon presented by the parents of Collegiate School Council!

All money raised will go directly back into the school to help fund school initiatives and events.

Approach your friends and family to sponsor the students to dance for thirty (30) minutes. The student raising the most money will win a grand prize. In the spirit of the new Fall season, please feel free to wear a Halloween costume or fall-inspired outfit. **PLEASE NOTE:** IF you are wearing a costume, there is to be no cultural appropriation, no offensive and insensitive costumes, no weapons, no costume masks that might impede vision, no inappropriate images, etc.

Pledge forms will be sent home with the students, but are also available on-line through the website. To participate, students must raise a minimum of \$2.00.

## Kinder – Grade 5 must be accompanied by an adult. Grade 6 - 8 students need parental approval to attend.

Refreshments for sale!

We can't wait to see everyone out and see some of the great dance moves! Thank you for your participation and support!

#### **SCHOOL SAFETY**



Parents, just a reminder that the front of the school building



has **No Parking** and **No Stopping** signs. Several students cross at the crosswalk, and we are having parents/guardians stopping their cars, making and creating an unsafe environment for our students. This is a safety concern for our students.

\*\*Vehicular traffic in School bus loading zones is prohibited.\*\*

Please take every possible opportunity to show appreciation and respect for the service that school bus drivers provide.



Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for keeping the safety of our students a priority.

#### **VOLLEYBALL TEAMS**



Our Volleyball Teams have been practicing very hard for the season. We know all our students will display great effort, dedication, and

enthusiasm while representing Collegiate in a positive manner. Thank YOU to our coaches, Mr. Melo, Mr. T, Mr. Myers, Mrs. Archibald, Mrs. Simunic, & Ms. Brown for all their time and effort preparing our team so they are ready for success!

#### **CROSS COUNTRY TEAM**

Our Cross-Country Team will be practicing very hard for our meet on **Thursday**, **October 10**th! We know all our students



10<sup>th</sup>! We know all our students will display great effort, dedication, and enthusiasm while representing Collegiate Elementary School in a positive manner. Thank YOU to, Mrs. Bernard, Ms. Carter, and Mrs. Grant for all their time and effort preparing our team!

Go Collegiate Grizzlies!

#### **GRIZZLY VOICES COMMITTEE**

Our Student Leaders will be organizing many initiatives such as Spirit Days, Dances, etc. Stay tuned (3)

#### **BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

Today's Family Program will be running from 7:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. and 3:05 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Families can register for both the before and after school program, and the early learning and child care program - <u>click here</u>.

One of our placement team members, will connect with families once they register to confirm spaces. Families can connect with team members at <a href="mailto:childcare@todaysfamily.ca">childcare@todaysfamily.ca</a>

Should families not have access to technology, you can call them to complete the registration process at (905) 574 – 9344 ext. 112.

#### **ATTENDANCE CHECK – ABSENT OR LATE**

If your child is absent or late, please use either...



#### **Safe Arrival Program**

- Website, App, or Phone
- Learn more about Safe Arrival at www.schoolmessenger.com/safearrival

#### **Call the School Directly**

 Call the school at (905) 662-2990. State your child's name, grade, teacher, reason, and length of absence.

#### **CLASSROOM KLEENEX BOXES**

As we continue with allergy season and move into cold and flu season, we would appreciate if all students could bring in a box of Kleenex to add to your support. Let's reduce the spread of germs and always use a tissue when needed.

#### HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

#### **SECURE SCHOOLS**

### At Collegiate Elementary School, we will be practicing our "Lockdown - Secure Schools Procedure" Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>

A Lockdown is used when there is a potential risk of harm to people within, or outside the school setting. Although one can never predict when a violent or potentially harmful situation may arise, schools can prepare for responding to such an incident through intentional, scheduled practices, much like what we do with Fire Drills. The goal of the practice is to minimize the risk for staff and students during a time of crisis. In the event of a "real" lockdown, the Hamilton Police Services will be responding to the situation. All staff, students and volunteers who are regularly in the school buildings are required to know the procedures. The students will have the Lockdown Procedures explained to them ahead of time and the school will practice this procedure twice per year.

The following terms and language will be used to ensure everyone is using the proper terminology.

"HOLD AND SECURE" – Used when the school is secured due to an ongoing situation outside and not related to the school (e.g. bank robbery near a school)

- The school continues to function normally, with the exterior doors locked until the situation is resolved
- Staff member posted at each entrance
- All movement in and out of the school is restricted
- Exterior facing windows should be covered or blinds drawn, lights dimmed, where possible
- School most likely to be notified by Hamilton Police Services

"SHELTER IN PLACE" – Used for an environmental, or weather-related situation, where it is necessary to keep all occupants within the school to protect them (May be recommended by HES-Fire). Examples may include chemical spills, blackouts, explosions or extreme weather conditions

- People enter and remain in a building with the doors and windows closed
- Fans including heating and air conditioning units, should be turned off to prevent air from outside entering the building
- Normal operations may continue within the building

"LOCKDOWN" – Used when there is a major incident or threat of school violence within the school, or in relation to the school

- Threat is inside the school, or is on school property, and poses an immediate threat to the students and staff
- Follow current lockdown procedures
- All movement in and out of the school and within the school is restricted
- Doors remain open to permit police immediate entry
- The "Safe Location" for our school is St. John Henry Newman Catholic Secondary School

The above terminology is used to ensure consistency across the province. Common language across the province allows for easy integration when staff, students and other emergency service personnel are transferred from one jurisdiction to another. Along with this information being presented at school, we encourage parents to talk with their children about the need to always be safe well prepared for an emergency situation.

# HPLProgramsOctober (3)



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	Dungeons and Dragons 2:30-4pm	Family Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11:15am-12pm	3 Knit for a Cause 3-4pm STEAM Learning Lab 4:30-5:30pm	Make Art 11:30am- 1:30pm	Firefighter Fun 10:30-11:30am French Conversation Circle 2-3pm
7 Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30pm	B Dungeons and Dragons 2:30-4pm	Family Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11:15am-12pm Drop-In Tech Help 4-5pm	10 Knit for a Cause 3-4pm Kids' Trivia - Halloween Theme 4-5pm	Music For Babies and Toddlers 11:30am-12pm	12 Craft Cart - Fall Crafts 10am-12pm
Closed For Thanksgiving Day	Dungeons and Dragons 2:30-4pm	Family Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11:15am-12pm	17 Knit for a Cause 3-4pm Comics and Secret Identities 4:30-5:30pm	18 Make Art 11:30am- 1:30pm	19 LEGO Club 10am-12pm French Conversation Circle 2-3pm
21 Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Relaxation and Movement 11:30am-12:30pm Young at Heart 1:30-2:30pm Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30pm	Dungeons and Dragons 2:30-4pm	Pumpkin Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11:15am-12pm Drop-In Tech Help 4-5pm	Saltfleet Book Club - The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George 2-3pm Knit for a Cause 3-4pm Make and Create - Halloween 4-5pm	Music For Babies and Toddlers 11:30am-12pm	Imagination Stations 10am-12pm Family Movies - IF (2024) 1pm
Baby Storytime + Stay and Play 10-11am Imagination Stations 3:30-4:30pm	Dungeons and Dragons 2:30-4pm Craft at HPL - Halloween Wreath ® 5:30-6:30pm	Pumpkin Storytime 10-10:30am Sit To Be Fit ® 11:15am-12pm	31 Pumpkin Palooza Costume Dance Party 11:30am-12pm Movies for Adults - Lisa Frankenstein (2024) 1pm Knit for a Cause 3-4pm STEAM Learning Lab 4:30-5:30pm	Branch Hours Mon-Thurs: 9am - 7pm Fridays: 9am - 6pm Saturdays: 9am - 5pm Closed Sundays	Blue = adult Orange = Children Green = teen Registration required = ®

