



# École FA Hamilton

## June 2017

### Newsletter

#### Important Dates

**June 1** - EQAO make-up day

**June 2** - EQAO make-up day; Superintendent VanOoteghem visiting; **Monthly assembly at 11:05 AM**

**June 5** - City Track & Field meet at U of G

**June 6** - City Track & Field rain date; Hartmans & McLeish classes at Mountsberg Conservation Area

**June 7** - School Council meeting at The Fat Duck

**June 9** - PA Day - NO SCHOOL; **JK Orientation 9-10 AM**

**June 14** - Mui class at Guelph Museum

**June 15** - **Family Carnival Night at 5:30 PM**

**June 16** - Cookbook orders due; Yearbook orders due

**June 21** - Bus Patrol training at Westminster Woods PS; **Brown/Barker/Junemann Kindergarten Celebration at 1:30 PM in the gym**

**June 22** - School play - dress rehearsals during the day - performance at 7 PM

**June 23** - **Family Fun Run at 8:30 AM**

**June 26** - Play Day (please note, there will not be hotdogs served this year)

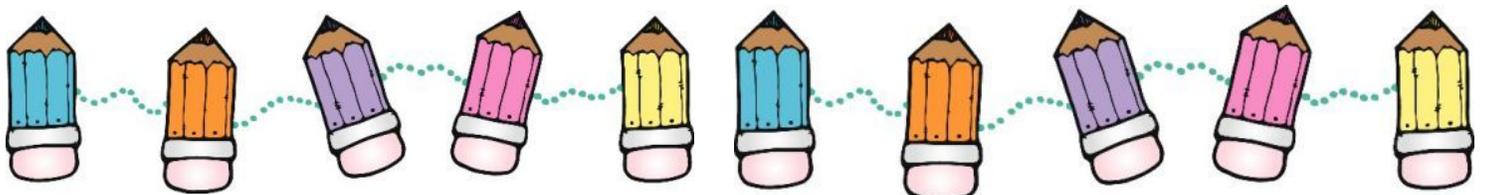
**June 27** - Grade 3 & 5 swimming; **Tipler/Gamble K celebration (time to be determined)**

**June 28** - Grade 6 Orientation at École Arbour Vista; **Grade 6 Farewell Celebration at 6:30 PM**; Term 2 Reports sent home

**June 29** - Signed portion of report card sent back to school; last day and volunteer appreciation assembly at 9:00 AM; **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

**June 30** - PA Day - NO SCHOOL

[Click here to see our whole calendar!](#)



## JK Orientation

There will be an Junior Kindergarten Orientation on Friday, June 9th from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. There will be an information fair in the gym and then families will have a chance to visit classrooms. All registered families will receive an invitation in the mail. Please mark this date on your calendar if you have a JK student who will be joining our school family in September.



## Moving?



If your family is moving out of the FAH catchment area over the summer, then please let us know in the office as soon as possible. We need an accurate enrollment number for the fall in order to organize classes and hire the right number of teachers. The more we know now, the less likely we are to need a reorganization in September. Likewise, if you know of a family who is moving into our neighbourhood from a French Immersion program elsewhere, then please encourage them to register as soon as possible.

## Carnival!



We hope you will join us for a fun Family Carnival Night on Thursday, June 15th! School Council has been hard at work planning an amazing evening to celebrate another year at FAH. Pizzas will be for sale online for families to buy and share for dinner. Juice and coffee will be available the night of the event. Plans are also underway for popcorn and candy floss to be available for sale. There will be games for kids and adults alike both indoors and outdoors. Please mark your calendars and come out for a fun evening! All proceeds from the Carnival will go towards to Playground Project.

## Sunscreen and Hats

'Tis the season! Please send your child to school with a hat for sun protection and a good layer of sunscreen applied. Classes are often outdoors participating in learning activities on the school yard or in the neighbouring forest and kids can get burns without protection.



## Student Medication



Please pick up any medicine you may have left at school for you child from the main office this month. **Any medication still here on the last day of school will be sent home in your child's backpack.**

# Join us at École Fred A Hamilton from 8:30 am - 10:30 am on Saturday, June 24th



The FAH Run is an end of the year 5k run/walk that unites friends and families in support of fitness, fun and fundraising for recess equipment for the school.

- Race includes a spectator-friendly 500 meter dash for kids 1-12 years old
- 5k Race will be timed by volunteers
- Complete and return registration form to office by June 20th
- Forms are available at the office and on our school website

## Event Details:

- 8:30-8:45** runners pick up bib (handmade by students) and enter name into draw
- 9:00** kids' 500m dash
- 9:15** 5k start
- 10:15** draw prizes and handmade medals for top 3 males and females
- 10:30** event over

**Entry Fee:** \$20.00 per family is suggested or \$10.00 per person

- \* Strollers are welcome, however, for safety reasons, pets and bikes are NOT permitted on the run
- \* Children must be accompanied by an adult; please ensure this is arranged during the run/walk as well

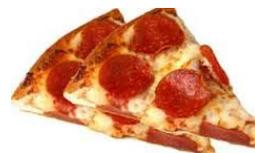
## Life Threatening Emergency Management and Prevention Plans

If your child has a Life Threatening Emergency Management and Prevention Plan and there have been no changes since September, then please initial the copy of the plan that will be sent home in the next week or so and return it to school. Don't worry about filling in the teacher - we'll do that in September when class lists are finalized. If there are changes to your child's plan, then please let us know. You will have to fill in a new form to be signed by your doctor. If your child has a Life Threatening condition and you have not yet submitted a plan to the office, then please download the plan by [clicking here](#). Complete the plan with your doctor and have him or her sign it before handing it in to Mme Manni in September.

# Thank you, School Council!

All year long, members of School Council have worked very hard on behalf of your children. The staff and students of FAH would like to thank this tireless team for their strong support. The educational experience of students at École Fred A. Hamilton is made a lot richer thanks to the efforts of this group of committed parents. Check out a few of the activities and resources for which we all have School Council to thank!

- A class set of ukuleles
- A class set of boomwhackers (tuned musical tubes)
- AIM play kits
- A class set of snowshoes
- A Scientist in the Classroom visit for each class in the school
- Hallowe'en Dance-a-thon
- Winter Event
- Family Board Games Night
- Spring Carnival
- Speaker on Internet Safety
- Pizza lunches
- Milk
- Climbing dome
- Sensory garden including a walking/trike path, trees, a marimba-type instrument, benches and outdoor tables and seats
- Outdoor classroom and raised beds
- A team to tend and water gardens and trees over the summer



These are just some of the things School Council, through the generous donations of our families and the hard work and commitment of members, has contributed to our students' school experience over the last few years. We are fortunate, indeed, and wish to share our appreciation for our amazing School Council!

Merci pour tout que vous faites pour nous!



## **Food and Friends**

Thank you to all who contributed to the Food & Friends student nutrition program this school year. We are always looking for new volunteers for the program. Please contact Franca Manni by replying to this email if you are interested in ensuring kids at École Fred A. Hamilton hunger for knowledge not for food.

<http://www.childrensfoundation.org/downloads/positioning-statement.jpg>



## **Ramadan**



The Islamic calendar has 12 months and one of them is the month of Ramadan. The Islamic Calendar is lunar which means it is based on the moon.

During this month Muslims all over the world fast from sunrise to sunset, which means that we can not eat or drink anything from dawn to sunset. We wake up early before dawn and eat and drink a big breakfast,

because it will be a long day before we can eat again. Only those people who are healthy are allowed to fast. When the sun sets, we break our fast with dates and water. Then we say our prayers and eat a nice dinner with the whole family.

Muslims pray 5 times a day, but in Ramadan there is a special prayer called the “night prayer”. It is fun to go to the mosque for these special prayers because lots of people come and I see my friends.

At our home we celebrate by sharing food and inviting family and friends over. It is also a month of prayers and the reading of the Holy Quran, as it was during Ramadan that the Quran was revealed.

When we fast in Ramadan, it teaches us patience, respect and to be thankful to God for what we have. It is also a time when Muslims give charity to the people in need. Ramadan is a good time to practice doing good deeds too. But we shouldn't just wait for Ramadan, we should do them all the time

The end of Ramadan is celebrated with a day of Eid. Eid is a time of joy, exchanging of gifts and being with family, much like Christmas. On Eid day we greet each other by saying EID MUBARAK!

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