



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Definition of a puddle: a small pool of liquid. According to that definition, our playground has been more of a lake. Isn't it great that Spring has arrived and the days are getting warmer and longer!! We have so much to look forward to this Spring: Field trips, Grade 2 swimming, Kindergarten recess, Grade 4 running club, assemblies, getting to meet next year's Kindergarten students, Our Caring for Kids fundraiser, and so much more! Here's to continuing to dodge the puddles with the excitement of all the activities upcoming!!

CARING FOR KIDS - Liberia

We are hearing of the tragedies that are occurring presently in Ukraine. Liberia too has suffered due to the devastating civil war between 1989 and 2003. This still affects many families in Liberia today. We want to help!

For the past 11 years, MES has partnered with Provision of Hope in helping children from Liberia, Africa. Children in Liberia have to pay to go to school and if their family doesn't have enough money, they can't go. Education gives children a chance to move ahead in life and make a difference in their community.

MES students will be participating in activities to learn about Liberia and the students we sponsor there. **On April 13th, students will bring home envelopes to collect funds to continue sponsoring our 18 children for the next school year. Funds will be returned April 20th and April 21st will be our counting and celebration day!**



RECORDERS

Beginning in April, Gr.4 students begin learning to play the recorder. All recorders coming from home should be brought to school for the first day back; Monday, April 4th.

2022-2023 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you have a child or know someone who has a child that will be starting Kindergarten in fall, please register online at www.hsd.ca. If you do not have access to a computer or need assistance, call the school office at (204) 326-6622.



EXTREME WEATHER

In severe weather conditions, the school division closes the school and stops the buses. An announcement is made on radio stations CHSM (AM1250), CJOB (AM680), 95.1 and 96.7 FM between 7 and 8 am advising parents in such cases, as well as a bulletin on the HSD website.



BUS INFORMATION - hsd.ca

Any bus that will be late due to weather or mechanical issues will be listed on the HSD website in the bus delay area. Go to hsd.ca/Transportation. You can then choose Bus Delay Bulletins where any bus that is late will be posted with the approximate delay time. Thank you for checking this option before calling the Hanover School Division Transportation Department with your questions regarding bus delays.

GAMES CLUB

During the long winter months, we had a games club for Grades 3's and 4's, which was a huge success. The students learned new games, taught others games they knew, and all around had a great time. After spring break games club will be done for the year, as we would like to encourage the kids to go outside, run around, and have fun in the sun!



REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

If making alternate pick-up arrangements, **messages need to be received by the school no later than 2:30 pm** to ensure that they get to students on time.

There are moments throughout the day when we may not be able to answer the phone in a timely manner. For your convenience the office has an answering machine which is checked regularly. Please feel free to leave a message and know that it will be attended to shortly. This includes messages for any absences or alternate end of day arrangements.

To ensure student safety, the driveway in front of the school is a one-way bus loop. No vehicle traffic is allowed from 8:00 am-4:30 pm.

Visitors are welcome and are required to stop by the school office upon arrival. If you are picking up your child early, the office staff will call the classroom and your child will meet you in the entrance. For safety reasons, our hallways are currently open to HSD employees and volunteers only.

****Please remember to send your child's water bottle, cutlery, and proper outdoor clothing. With the arrival of spring weather and slushy snow, please pack extra pants and socks into your child's backpack.**

*****DROP OFF PROCEDURES*****

If you need to drop something off for your child at school, we have a drop off box at the front door. Call the school to let us know you have dropped something off, and we will have it delivered to your child.

ROCCO'S PIZZERIA TAKE AND BAKE FUNDRAISER

MES is excited to be running another Rocco's Pizzeria Fundraiser from April 26—May 10.

Frozen pizzas are \$12.50 each and the frozen crusts are \$15 per pack of 5.

Delivery date is Thursday, May 19th in the MES bus loop, with time and details to follow.

This school fundraiser will assist Mitchell Elementary with purchasing a new play structure.

Order sheets are to be handed in to the school office by Wednesday, May 11th.

