



Hanley School Newsletter

**SEPTEMBER
2022**

DATES TO REMEMBER

National Day For Truth & Reconciliation (No School)	Sep 30
School Pictures	Oct 3
PD Day (No School for students)	Oct. 7
Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)	Oct. 10
Tri-conferences	Oct 18 & 19
No School	Oct 24

From the Office:

Hello everyone and welcome back to our newsletter messages from Hanley School this year! We've had a wonderful energy in the school this fall and that along with a large number of new families and students in the school this year has upped the excitement so far. The weather seems to have bumped over to some fall temperatures this week with some frost warnings as well – please remind your students about taking jackets along to school so they don't get chilled in the mornings.

Chilly mornings are what the football team was experiencing this week as they continued some early morning practices as their season continues. I also know the senior girls volleyball team has had one tournament behind them and the junior boys and girls teams are also practicing and have been travelling for games. We also saw the cross country runners go compete this week and the SRC has been meeting this month and planned a pep rally last week that was a great time for everyone. The school division still suggests that staff and students who don't feel great or have symptoms consider that it's best to stay home until they feel better. That's not always easy but it will keep our school as healthy a place as it can be. Thank you for your help in this area.

We're not the only division that's noticed a strain on our

transportation arrangements this fall and we just don't seem to have enough substitute bus drivers. If you are interested in that job or know of someone who would be interested, please contact us for directions on who to talk to about getting into that job. I know the bus garage would help support new drivers in their training and getting their license and many say it's a lot of fun.

Next point is about driving as well. Our division is directing schools to update their records and permissions for volunteers and driving arrangements. Parents are expected to have a recent Criminal Record Check (CRC) and Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) as well as the couple pages from the policy completed. New this year is requirement to print off and submit your Driver's Abstract from your mySGI website. That one is pretty straight forward to complete. If you have a volunteering letter from us to give to the RCMP there is no charge for the CRC and VSC otherwise you'll have to pay a fee. We are hoping to get those permissions in place asap for teams starting this year and any activities or destinations you think you may be driving more than your own player or student to as the year goes on.

This week we see us remembering Terry Fox and partici-

pating in the annual event on Friday afternoon. Our school interns, Mr. Kaleb Schulz, Mr. Jacob Schilling and Mr. Ricardo Quijada have all had some input in planning our afternoon and from what I've seen the day looks like we'll have some sun and good temperatures to be outside!

Next week we've invited the Stobart Drum and Dance group to perform on Wednesday morning at 11am. Parents and public are welcome to attend as well – plan to be here at 10:45 am to begin seating. It's part of our school's work to promote Truth and Reconciliation through song and dance. And a reminder that the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation is on September 30 and there is no school that day. That's all for now. For further information and updates from the students and classrooms, check out our school website at <http://blogs.spiritsd.ca/hanley/>. As always, Mr. Hindmarsh and I would love to talk to you if you have time to send us a message or give us a call. We'll talk to you soon.



Save The Date!

Dear families,

*Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming to our school!*

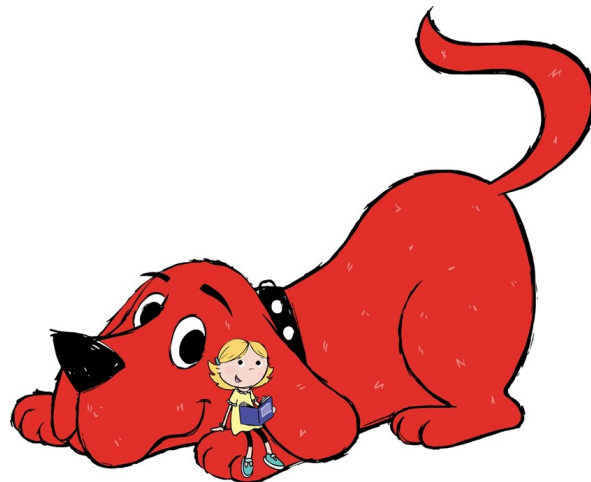
So save the date! Our **Scholastic Book Fair** will take place on **October 17-21, 2022.**

And for parents, friends and family that can't join us in the school, be sure to join us online with our **Virtual Book Fair Extension!** Our online shop will be open on the first day of our Fair, but you can view a selection of the books you'll find here:

<https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5174996>

Watch for news leading up to our **Scholastic Book Fair!**

Happy Reading!



SCHOOL CALENDAR 2022-2023

<https://www.spiritsd.ca/files/docs/2022-2023-School-Year-Calendar.pdf>

*Hanley School has several
students with nut allergies.*

*Just a reminder we are a
NUT ALERT school.*

*Please make sure your child does
not bring nuts or nut
products to school. Make sure to
check packaging.*



FUN FACT:

Did you know that you can estimate the temperature of a place
by the number of times some crickets chirp in a second?

Weird but true!!



Grade Kindergarten

We are so excited for a new group of Kindergarten students at Hanley School!

We have Mr. Quijada (key-haw-duh), an intern from the U of S, joining us in our classroom until Christmas--we're so lucky to have him and we have warmly welcomed him into our school.

Mr. Quijada and I spent the first half of September visiting our K friends at their homes. We saw pets, gardens, farm animals, backyards, etc! We'd like to thank K families for

welcoming us into their homes for these meaningful visits.

Our K friends have officially started school and we've been loving it! We are starting something new (to me)--Story Workshop: A literacy-rich and play-based program where students build and tell their own stories. We have amazing storytellers in our room!

In Math we're diving into patterns and we're keeping our eyes open for patterns in na-

ture.

We've visited our forest each K day and students have been building forts, looking for animals, going on adventures, etc. We love the forest!

We're looking forward to September 28th when our school will be hosting the Stobart Dance & Drum Group at 11am. Families are welcome to attend. We'd love to see you there!

Grades 1/2

Welcome back to an exciting new school year! These first few weeks of school have been awesome in the grade one/two classroom! Everyone has done such a great job settling into our new classroom routines and procedures! They are a kind group of kids and eager to learn!

Reading is our highest priority this year! Every day we have small group reading center time where we learn new sounds (with the help of our friend, Sparky), play phonemic awareness games with Mrs. Menshenfriend, read "just right" books on RAZ, and build words with Mrs. Carpenter. We also have Reading Horizon lessons with Mrs. M. and Mr. Freeden. We spend 20 minutes each day reading books independently and we also have lots of books read aloud. We are learning many new "heart

words" and "flash words" too.

In Grade 2 Math, the students have been working on repeating patterns: finding the core, describing attributes, and stating pattern rules. They are beginning to work on increasing patterns. The grade ones having been focusing on printing, recognizing, and representing numbers to 10. This includes counting, showing pictures, tallies, ten frames, and place value blocks. Some students have mastered numbers to 10, and are working on numbers to 20!

In Health, we have been working on feelings and self-esteem. In Social, we've started our Family Unit and have also been learning about diversity, kindness, and respect. In Science, we are about to jump into our Changing Sea-

sons Unit. In Art we started a dance unit, created self-portraits, and painted them, did a directed drawing of an otter, and created our own unique Elmer the Elephant using pastels.

Have a beautiful Autumn!



Grade 3/4

It has been a busy start to school in the 3/4 room. We have been working hard to establish our routines and values as a class. In math, both the 3's (with Mrs. McCubbing) and 4's (with Mrs. Schraeder) worked through a review and have just started their first units on patterns. We have three different literacy groups this year, with Mr. Freeden, Mrs. Carpenter and I leading a group each. In health we have been learning about the zones of regulation and have just begun discussing strategies to help us stay in the green zone, so we can do our "job" at school. In science we have been learning about the different types of soils in Saskatchewan and have performed

a variety of experiments. Right now, we are waiting for pea and wheat seeds to germinate in 4 different soil types to see which soil is the best for planting. Soon we will set up our indoor classroom garden from Agriculture in the Classroom and begin vermicomposting. In fifth period on most days, we take our learning outdoors. Students have found their own sit spots in nature, built to make them feel like "home", experimented with playing and building in the mud, and have also had the opportunity to do some writing in the great outdoors. Mr. Shulz, our student teacher, has been read-

ing Harry Potter, and he always has great activities for the class to do while they listen. He even performed a magic trick! Mrs. Martineau works with the grade 3/4's on Tuesdays, along with her student teacher, Mr. Quijada. It has been great getting to know this group of students so far this year, and I look forward to all of the fun learning we will continue to do.

Grade 5/6

The grade 5/6 class is working hard and learning many new things. We have started math with learning about patterns. In ELA we are learning about the parts of speech. I am reading a novel, "The Thief

Lord" to the class. In Social Studies the class did very well learning about the provinces and capitals in Canada. We are currently learning more about the history of Canada and the various roles that

make up that history. In Health, we are all busy training for a 5km walk/run for Step up for Mental Health. We plan on doing our walk/run in a couple of weeks.

Grade 7

The year has started off well for our Grade 7s! We have been busy refreshing some basic skills in math. I would like to ask parents/guardians to help their child master the timetables to 12 as this is an essential tool in the math tool box. We have begun exploring the genre of Science

Fiction in ELA. In science, the classes have been studying biomes and ecosystems. Finally, in social, the students have been working on mapping skills for Canada and the Pacific Rim countries. I am looking forward to a great year. Should you

have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the school (544-2511) or by email: (Nicole.Bain@spiritsd.ca).

Grade 8

The Grade 8's have been reviewing the elements and principles of design in Art and are working on an assignment that showcases each element. In ELA, they are focusing on further developing their critical thinking skills through short stories. In Math, they are reviewing skills from Grade 7. In Science, the grade 8's are learning about

cells, tissues and organs. Health class has them exploring Canada's Food Guide and its benefits. In Home Ec., the students are learning about the sewing machine and how to thread it. In Industrial Arts, they are working on isometrics and drafting. The grade 8's are also learning about bridge con-

struction and working on building their own bridges out of spaghetti in Design. Finally, in Phys Ed. the students are reviewing their volleyball skills.

The grade 8's are having a fantastic start to the 2022-2023 school year!

Grade 9

In ELA, the Grade 9s are roughly halfway done their first non-fiction unit and are wrapping up the first project. Students had the option to do either a written article, spoken news report, a "How To" video, or a podcast. We have been learning a lot about how to structure information-based writing and will be expanding into a novel study later this week. Health has the students working on some entry-level first aid skills and all the students have had the opportunity to work with bandaging. Students will be presenting

their first aid presentation this week and will be sharing their understanding of their injury of choice. We are going to be expanding on physical and mental health in the coming weeks. In Art class, the Grade 9s have been working on daily sketches and an animation flipbook. The flipbook was a great introduction to the 7 Elements of Art and the 9s did a great job with it. We will be moving on to the next larger project with grid art and image scaling being the key focus. In Math, the Grade 9s have been working with rational numbers and

square roots. They have done a fantastic job after a summer away. In Phys. Ed. the students have been learning about and playing volleyball. They have also taken part in their first fitness test and have set goals for the year ahead. Science has the students learning about Chemistry. Right now, they are focused on lab safety, and they will soon be taking part in experiments in the lab. It has been a fantastic start to the year, and we are looking forward to all the learning ahead!



Grade 10

Welcome back, everyone! The Grade 10's have had an awesome start to the year and have settled into their classes nicely. In Driver's Ed they have been learning about the rules of the road. Species and Ecosystems have been the focus in Science. In Math, they have started learning about ways to earn

money and will soon be learning about CPP, EI and taxes. They have been writing stories in ELA and designing rubber band cars in Design. The Home Ec class has been cooking (they just made brownies) and will start sewing bunny-hugs soon. And in IA, they have finished their designs and

are now waiting on the wood to arrive. Have a great fall, everybody!



Grade 11

Foundations 20: We have just written an exam on parallel lines and transversals. We are learning about sin, cosine laws. Health Science 20: We have been looking at health philosophies and the ethics that health profes-

sionals need to adhere to. ELA 20: We have completed an autobiography and our exploring short stories. Phys. Ed 20: We are playing volleyball.

Psychology 20: We are completing a psychoanalysis of a fictional character using the seven perspectives of psychology.

Grade 12

Welcome back grade 12s! The students first semester classes are well underway and the students are already busy with their course work. In ELA 30A the students completed a project on Canadian identity and have begun exploring the Canadian landscape. They are currently writing poetry influenced by landscape

paintings. In Chemistry 30 the students are learning about chemical bonding and material science. Mr. Freeden and the Industrial Arts class has planned their projects and are in the early stages of construction. The Pre-Calculus math class just started a unit on radical function. The

Workplace 30 math class is working through a unit on measurement. In History 30 the students are studying early Canadian History with a focus on worldview and paradigms.

Remember to sign up for our new marks and attendance program—Edsby, which has replaced PowerSchool. Parent invitations were emailed on Sept. 19th. Edsby allows parents to see their child's academic progress, as well as attendance and school information.