



- 1. Indigo Adopt -School program** Do you know about Indigo love of reading foundation or Adopt a School program? Indigo Books will support our Hawthorne PS school library when community members login to Indigo Adopt a school to make a donation, or Tell a Story, Give a Story. All you need to do is tell a story on - line and Indigo will give a book to the school... it's that easy! Make a donation and for every 2 books donated Indigo gives the library a book. Visit adoptaschool.indigo.ca today!
- 2. Birthdays** – Birthdays are special for everyone. In school we take a moment to announce each child's birthday on the morning announcements so that their friends may recognize their special day. We understand that some families like to share their child's day with others by sending in a treat for the class. We ask that families who do this choose to send in non-food treats such as a pencil or sticker for their child's peers.
- 3. Peanuts/Nuts** - At Hawthorne PS, we take extra care around food allergies and we ask our entire community to help keep all of our children safe by remembering to not send in foods that contain or may contain peanuts or nuts. Your help in maintaining a safe school for all of children is appreciated.
- 4. Terry Fox Walk / Run** - Coins to Fight Cancer have been coming to school and our total has been rising. Our school's Terry Fox Run is on Thursday, September 29th from 1 to 2:30 PM. We are still looking for volunteers to help with a water station. Please give the school a call in the morning if you are able to help.
- 5. Intermediate Sports** – Students have been trying out for touch football in the last few weeks. The final team will be announced in the next few days.
- 6. Learning: Focus on Math** - Learning "math" does not happen just at school. Children learn foundational numeracy skills by playing games with friends and family, visiting the store with a parent, and solving every day challenges such as sharing treats or completing tasks. Talking to your child about what they notice in patterns or encouraging them to "think out loud" when working on a strategy helps them to develop their thinking skills and to notice that math is all around them.
- 7. Late Arrival** - The morning entry bell rings at 8:00 AM. Students line up at that time and enter with their classmates. Students have a few minutes to prepare for the day, during which a short piece of music is played. By the time the music ends, all children should be in their classrooms. Occasionally, it will happen that your child will arrive late. When this occurs, students need to come to the office to sign in. It is important to begin good routines early in the school year. Making "being on-time" for school a goal helps children to organize their day.
- 8. Thank you** for using our new safe arrival and departure routines at the beginning and end of the day. **Safety Reminder** - Families are reminded to wait for the crosswalk signal and to cross in front of the crossing guard when they are crossing the street.
- 9. Get your Herald via email (sign up)** - Would you like to get a PDF version of the Hawthorne Herald delivered straight to your email address? Send a message to: HawthornePS@OCDSB.ca and include your child's name and grade in the message. You will be added to the automatic delivery list. **Follow us on Twitter** – Did you know we tweet? We send out messages about late and cancelled buses, school events and celebrations. Follow us @Hawthorneps.