



Hawthorne Herald (March 2017)

Coming Events:

- **13 – 17 March – March Break – School Closed**
- **21 – March - History Fair**

Learning

- **“Talking Math”**

It is common for parents to “talk math” with younger children, and parents can talk math with older children, too: Ask what your child learned in math class today. Ask your child to take you through the steps of solving a particular problem. Let your child take the “teacher” or “expert” role and teach you. This allows them to practice new skills and to clarify thinking about a subject. Often, they will realize that they know more than they thought.

From- Inspiring Your Child to Learn and Love Math, CODE, 2015

News

- **Company of Fools, Introduction to Masks workshop** – All students had the opportunity to learn about the origins of masks and had the chance to perform role playing activities. Lots of learning and fun were had by all. Many thanks to The Education Foundation (Marjorie Loughrey Award) for enabling us to do this.
- **Drug and Opioid use: Information sessions** Grade 7 and up – With growing concerns about opioid use in the city Ottawa Carleton District School Board has been working with many organizations to offer information to families, please see below. (A letter was also sent home with this information, Grade 7 and 8 only).

Wednesday, March 8 – Earl of March S.S – 7 – 9 p.m.

Thursday, March 9 – Glebe Collegiate – 7- 9 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22 – Longfields Davidson Heights S.S. 7 – 9 p.m.

Thursday, March 23 – Gloucester high School 7 – 9 p.m.

- **Community Cupboard is Open** - The Cupboard will be open to the community on Tuesdays from 9 to 11 AM. A volunteer will be present to assist folks with choice and to help maintain stocked items. If you have gently used clothes or boots and shoes consider sending them to Hawthorne PS. We are always looking for an extra pair of hands. If you would like to assist with sorting or know of someone who would like to practice conversational English, Nell, our Community Cupboard Coordinator is always happy to have company.

- **Winter is still here!** Students need to have dry footwear in school. All students are encouraged to wear boots outdoors and clean shoes indoors. They also need to have clothing warm enough to allow them to be outdoors for 20 to 25 minutes for outdoor play and fresh air. We strongly recommend waterproof mittens. Name tags make it easier to identify owners. Students will still be going outside daily, even as the temperature begins to drop.

Reminders

- **Inclement weather and cancelled buses** – When the buses are cancelled, schools remain open to receive students. We understand some children may arrive later than usual and some may have changes to their usual method for returning home. In the event that they will be absent from school, we ask that you support the work of our office administrator by calling in to tell us of your child's absence. The number is: (613) 733-6221.
- **Absences** – Please call the Hawthorne attendance line if your child is going to be absent or late for school. 613 733-6221 Thank you!

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