



# DR. L.M. HANNA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Regina Public Schools

**MAY 2017**

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## PRE-REGISTRATION OF NEW KINDERGARTENS

Dr. Hanna School is pre-registering new children for next fall's Kindergarten class. To be eligible for Kindergarten, children must have their fifth birthday by **December 31, 2017**. If you have a child who is eligible to enroll for Kindergarten this year, please call the school at (306) 791-8594 to pre-register.

Also, if you know of neighbours who do not currently have children at Dr. Hanna School and have a child eligible for Kindergarten, please encourage them to be in touch with us.

Parents of new Kindergartens are reminded of the parent meeting on Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. This meeting is for parents/guardians only. On Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> the new Kindergartens will attend a student orientation from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.



Parents/Guardians will bring the new kindergartens to school to go through some sessions to aid in a smooth transition into Kindergarten in the fall. At this time, parents are invited to stay with their child/and or have some coffee/treat in the staffroom hosted by our School Community Council.

## NO SCHOOL

There is **no school** for students on **Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**, and **Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>**. On Friday, staff will be meeting to plan for the last two months of school as well as initial planning for the 2017-2018 school year will begin.

## NEW NEWSLETTER FORMAT COMING SOON!



We are in the process of having students complete our news in a video! Students will share and interview participants similar to the news we watch on TV! We will then link the video on our website! We will continue the paper newsletter for the time being but we hope to move to this new technology soon!

## SUMMER BLAST COUPON BOOK FUNDRAISER

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Summer Blast Coupon Fundraiser. Please return all sold coupon slips, money and unsold books immediately!

We will be having an assembly on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 3:00 pm announce prize winners! We will give a total amount raised in the June newsletter, but right now Dr. Hanna raised over \$4500.00! Thank you so much!



## SRC NEWS



**JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2017**

**\* *Retro Day all day for students***

Please come dressed in 60's, 70's, 80's or 90's wear. Try to find

those old poodle skirts, bell bottoms, or neon colours!! We will also be having a Retro Dance for all students:

Pre-K to grade 3: 1:00-2:00 pm

Grades 4-8: 2:15- 3:30 pm

**JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2017:** Beach Day- let's celebrate the first day of summer!



Come dressed in your appropriate beach attire, sunglasses, hats, Hawaiian shirts, etc.

## SCHOOL CASH ONLINE



Dear Parents and Students!

For safety and efficiency reasons, we want to reduce the amount of Cash and Cheques coming into our school. We are asking parents to please take 5 minutes to register, by following the steps below. Once you are registered online, you will begin receiving emails about upcoming events.

School Cash Online has a one minute movie clip that can give you a brief overview of the registration and online payment process for your children's school fees:

<http://www.kevsoftware.com/movies/ParentRegEnglish/>

To Register Online:

- Step 1: Go to the Regina Public Schools School Cash Online website:  
<https://rbe.schoolcashonline.com>
- Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps.
- Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the 'click here' option, login in and add each of your children to your household account.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have any questions during the registration process or while paying fees online, please select the *GET HELP* option in the top right hand area of the School Cash Online website screen. You can also access the School Cash Online – Parent Help Desk by phone at 1-866-961-1803 or by email at [parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com](mailto:parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com). The friendly staff at the Parent Help Desk are available 24/7 (365 days) to solve any puzzles that parents may have when using

School Cash Online. They can assist parents with registering, password recoveries, finding their children or any check-out or payment issues.

## SPRING PORTRAITS YOUR WAY

Spring portraits will take place on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017 starting at 9:15 am. Information was send home with your child. This is an opportunity to get individual portraits or a group sibling picture.

## BAND NEWS

\*April 26<sup>th</sup>: Jazz Band Cancelled

\*May 11<sup>th</sup> & May 12<sup>th</sup>: Gr 8 Overnight Band Trip to Saskatoon (Sectionals Cancelled)

\*May 15<sup>th</sup>: Gr 7 Day Trip to Moose Jaw (Sectionals Cancelled)

\*May 25<sup>th</sup>: Last Day of Band Sectionals

**\*May 26<sup>th</sup>: Spring Band Concert at Thom Collegiate Aud. Students Arrive at 6:30pm. Concert at 7:00pm.**

\*June 2<sup>nd</sup>: Gr 6 Recruiting Concert for Gr 5 Students & Pizza Party Windup. More details to follow.

\*June 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jazz Band Pizza & Bowling Windup in the evening. More details to follow.

## SOFTBALL

Softball Season is just starting up. It is open to all girls and boys in Grades 6-8. Listen to announcements for more information.

## TRACK AND FIELD MEET

The grade 4 to 8 Track meet will be held on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at Douglas Park

## FROM THE LIBRARY

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Spring Break Reading Challenge! In the Pre-K to grade 3 category, Linkin won the draw, and in the Gr 4-8 category, Yaniet won the draw. Both prize packs contained a variety of books, as well as some school tools.

## SKIPPING CLUB

Permission slips were sent home with any students in Grade 4 to 8 who expressed an interest in joining. These notes also specify your child's days and times for practices. Skipping club will run for the month of May!



## What is a Safe Space?

**Safe Space:** a place or environment in which a person or category of people can feel confident that they will not be exposed to discrimination, criticism, harassment, or any other emotional or physical harm. "School must be a safe space for LGBT students"

Dr. Hanna is welcoming a "Safe Space" for grade 6- 8 students to join this year's school alliance. We meet at **11:45 - 12:45** on following Thursday's:

Thursday May 11

Thursday May 25

Thursday June 8

Thursday June 22

We will discuss ways to make our school more inclusive and welcoming of sexual and gender diversity. We have also been working with Seven Stones Community School Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA) as they provided guidance on how to get a Safe Space started at Dr. Hanna. Our group looks forward to working with other Regina Public School GSA/Safe Space groups.

### Upcoming GSA Community Events:

Trans Umbrella Foundation



<https://www.facebook.com/TransUmbrellafoundation/>

## City of Regina PRIDE Parade

Website: <http://queencitypride.ca/parade/>



## FRIENDLY REMINDER

To ensure safety at our school, parents/guardians and visitors are asked to stop in at the office during school time. Messages can be left at the office or written in agendas to minimize interrupting valuable instruction time.

## STUDENT SAFETY

Parents/Guardians are reminded to be very careful when traveling by the school to drop off students. Teachers also have talked to the students about being careful when crossing the street.

Please **do not park in the staff parking lot** when picking up your child or **near the crosswalks** as this becomes a major safety concern for our students. Our safety patrol will be on patrol as well at the crosswalks during the **noon** and **3:37 p.m.** dismissal.

The safety patrol puts out green pylons in front of the school so cars do not park between them as this helps ensure student safety as well. Please do not stop between them even if you are picking up or dropping off your child(ren). Thanks for your help with this. We want to ensure our students safety!

## LUNCHROOM ATTENDANCE

To help with lunchroom attendance, it is important to send a green note as indicated below. Feel free to write more than one date on the green slip. If you need more green slips or updated ones, have your child pick them up at the office.

Please remember that students are to bring a bagged lunch and that there are **no microwaves** available for use. Students are expected to wash their hands before eating and to follow all lunch room rules as outlined in the lunch room contract. Please remember we are a "**peanut free**" school. We are also really encouraging students to keep sweet treats to a minimum.

Thank you to parents/guardians for sending notes when your child registered as Full Time and **will not** be attending. Thank you to parents/guardians for sending notes for your child registered as Part Time when they **will** be attending. This really helps to ensure your child's safety and whereabouts. Green

notes were sent home to make things easier for parents and administration at the office.

### STUDENT SUPERVISION AT SCHOOL

Playground supervision is provided during recesses and 15 minutes before school begins in the morning and in the afternoon. We want children to be safe when attending school, so we ask that students **not** be sent to school prior to **8:53 a.m.** and **12:30 p.m.**

### STUDENT ABSENCE

Attendance at school is important for progress and success of all students. If your child will be away from school, please contact the school directly by phone (306) 791-8594 regarding the reason for their absence. When our school office is closed or we are answering a call on the other line, the message manager will receive your voice message. Please include the student's name, grade/teacher, and reason for the absence. If we do not receive a message we will try to contact parents/guardians.

In the past, some parents/guardians have put messages into the agenda when their child will be away and this is a good idea, however, **it is still very important to leave a message on the message manager or with Mrs. Hollyoak.**

Doors from the playgrounds are locked once school has started. If your child is **late** for school, please have your child enter the building through the **front door** and stop at the office to receive a late slip from Mrs. Hollyoak, our administrative assistant.

### CELL PHONE USE

We are strongly discouraging students from using their cell phones during school time. (This includes recess and lunch time).



This is a huge disruption in their learning. We realize that students have cell phones and ask that they keep them out of sight during class time. If students are using their phone during this time, the staff will ask for the phone and return it to the student at the end of the day. **Please discuss with your child the importance of not using their phone during precious learning time.** Thanks for your help.

### SCHOOL WEBSITE



Please visit our school website. Classrooms have information posted there as well as the school calendar. Most upcoming events have been planned thus far and will be posted on the calendar for any forward planning. Check out when the volunteer tea is or the Grade 8 Farewell for example. As well, other important documents such as our Learning Improvement Plan and monthly newsletters are posted on the website. The website address is located on the letterhead of this newsletter.

### ALLERGY ALERT

Our school has students who have severe peanut/tree nut allergies. In order to protect them from a life-threatening allergic reaction, we would request that products with peanuts and tree nuts **NOT** be sent with children. Dr. Hanna School is a **“peanut free”** zone.

### HSCC NEWS

The next meeting of Dr. Hanna School Community Council will be held on **Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** in the staffroom. Babysitting will be provided free of charge. This meeting will be the annual general meeting as well.

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Our School Community Council also plays an important role in our learning improvement plan and supports the program through various fundraising, volunteer help, planning, support and feedback.

Come out and join this wonderful group of people!

### COMMUNITY NEWS

### EARLY LEARNING CENTRE NEWS

I'm pleased to share with you the calendar and newsletter for the month of May at the Early Years Family Centre.

Please follow the link below to our program posters and calendar -  
<http://us7.campaign-archive1.com/?e=&u=ced327b1ab29a5aacfadbb2dd0&id=42273c6809>



Lynda Gellner  
Early Years Family Centre Developer

GET INVOLVED IN DR. L. M.  
HANNA SCHOOL COMMUNITY  
COUNCIL



Become Part of your School Community  
Council

**Every Regina Public school currently has a  
school community council.**

**You have a say in your local public school:  
DR. L. M. HANNA**

**Regina Public Schools parents, staff, and  
community members/ratepayers are  
invited to participate.**

**Elections for DR. L. M. HANNA SCHOOL  
COMMUNITY COUNCIL will be held on:**

MAY 17th, 2017 AT 7:00 PM  
at  
DR. HANNA SCHOOL

Dr. Hanna School needs you! Even if you  
don't have children attending school, your  
participation is valued.

**Please call the school at 791-8594 for more  
information.**



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**THANK YOU MR. TWETEN!**

Mr. Tweten generously donated a flag pole for the front of our school where we proudly display the Saskatchewan Flag, Canada Flag and Treaty 4 Flag. Mr. Tweten wishes to thank the Dr. Hanna Community for the time he spent teaching and subbing here. Dr. Hanna holds a special place in his heart. Thank you Mr. Tweten!

