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Dear James W. Hill Families,

Welcome Ms. Akers

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new Vice Principal, Ms. Nadine Akers. Mrs. Akers has been an educator with HDSB for almost 30 years including her role as a Vice Principal for the past 10 years at four different schools. Her care and commitment for all students is exemplary! Her work and experience in Literacy, Numeracy, and Equity will be a great resource for our staff. We are looking forward to learning with her! She is very excited and is looking forward to meeting everyone on Wednesday, September 3rd.

P.A. Day

Tuesday, Sept. 2, 2025 - Provincial Education Priorities - Keeping Schools Safe and School Resource Officer Program

Topic: Provincial Education Priorities - Keeping Schools Safe and School Resource Officer Program

Format:

- Full-day, in-person
- Elementary and secondary schools

Description: School teams will review policy requirements and supports for safe schools regarding the Provincial Code of Conduct, violence prevention, violent incident reporting and debriefing, gender-based violence and the Provincial Model for a Local Police/School Board Protocol. The content will include the role of police in providing high-quality, age-appropriate educational public safety presentations to students on subjects such as cybercrime, human trafficking, road safety and more. Information will be provided about the role of police in the school community, to support trust building between educators, policing services, students and parents/guardians.



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For schools currently in the School Resource Officer (SRO) program, a summary of the program's structure and objectives will be reviewed. Suicide prevention and intervention will also be reviewed.

Facilitators: *Learning will be led by principals and vice-principals and school-based staff, supported with materials and guidance from central departments including Student Mental Health and Well-Being, Safe Schools and Special Education.*

Learning/Delivery Method: *Whole group presentations and small group work*

JWH Welcome BBQ

All JWH families are invited to join us on **September 17th from 5:00 to 7:00** for a chance to enjoy some BBQ food from our returning friend BBQ Brothers and introduce yourself to your child's teacher. The BBQ portion will run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and teacher introductions will be from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please keep an eye out for BBQ food tickets to be sold on School Cash online in the coming days.

JWH School T-Shirts For Sale!

JWH student t-shirts are available for purchase on School Cash Online. These t-shirts are similar to staff t-shirts with our school colour hunter green and school logo. Visit [school cash online](#) for more details and purchase yours today. If you want them for the first day of school, feel free to visit the office Monday - Friday - 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to pick up your purchase or come check out sizing and make your purchase on site using your SCO App.

For those families that are new to the school, if you would like your child to have a t-shirt for their first day, please visit us at the school and we can help you set up your School Cashonline account. **We**



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would love to see everyone wearing JWH t-shirts on the first day!

Term 1 Pizza

We are excited to announce that we will be offering our Four Brothers Hot Pizza Lunch every **Tuesday beginning September 23rd**. Term 1 Pizza orders can be made on School Cash Online today, be sure to have your order in by Monday, September 15th

JWH Front Garden

When you arrive at school you may notice that we have a new garden in the front of the school. We would like to thank Home Depot at Wyecroft for their generous donation of plants. This garden is still a work in progress, so we are asking if any community members are thinning out their perennial gardens, to please consider donating to JWH! We are still looking for hardy perennials like hostas, grasses etc. but anything you are able to donate would be wonderful. If we can please remind families to stay out of the garden while our plants get established that would be great!

Class and Teacher Information

You will be getting an email on Friday this week at approximately 4 pm about your child's class placement. Our staff have worked really hard in building balanced classes. We have spent almost a month considering a proper placement for every child. We understand that you, as a parent, know your child the best as a human being, but our staff know your child the best as a learner and they also know the additional factors that are important to consider when building classes. Please know that we will not be making any changes to class placements until the week of September 22nd, in case we get re-organized. We request that you please refrain from sending any emails for class placement changes. We will not be able to



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accommodate these requests. We appreciate your understanding and support in advance. **Can't wait to see you see everyone on September 3rd!!**

Have a wonderful weekend!
Mr. Lall and Ms. Akers