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November 2006 Newsletter

Important Dates

November 3	End of Term 1
November 6	Start of Term 2
November 13	Report Cards go home
November 21	Parent/Teacher Interview
November 22,23,24	P.D. – no classes for students

Hadley Junior High School presents



A Festival of the Arts

Friday, November 3, 2006

at 7:00 pm

P.W.H.S./Hadley Auditorium

The Arts classes at Hadley would like to share with family, friends and the community what we've been working on in our Arts classes. This will be an evening for everyone to enjoy. There will be an Art Exhibit, Drama, Dance and Music. We look forward to sharing our talent and efforts with you. Cost is \$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students. Tickets will be sold at the door.. *Students participating in this event will have their tickets.* Seating is limited. Sorry no advance sales.
Hadley's Art Teachers

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The 2006-2007 yearbooks are on sale outside the Hadley office on Tuesdays and Thursdays during lunch from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m. Orders for the yearbook will only be accepted during those times. The cost of the yearbook is \$40 or \$45 with your name printed on it. **The last day to buy your yearbook is November 9th, 2006.** The yearbooks will be distributed in late May or early June. There are a limited number of yearbooks. Order your yearbook before it is too late! Parents, would you like to help sponsor the Hadley yearbook? You can take out a '**Personal Advertisement**' to congratulate your child or advertise a business. The rates are 1/16 of a page for \$35, 1/8 of a page for \$60, 1/4 of a page for \$110, or 1/2 of a page for \$200. You can write your own message and/or provide an image. Great for business cards! Deadline for submission is December 22, 2006. Please note there is limited space for personal ads.

Report Cards will be going home with your child on November 13, 2006. Along with the report card you will find an Interview sheet for Parent/Teacher interview night which will be held on November 21, 2006. Please indicate on the form which teacher's you would like to meet. Have your child bring the form to the teacher you are requesting to see, and in turn the teacher will indicate the time he or she is available to meet with you. Your child will return the completed time schedule to you. Due to time restrictions, if the teacher is not available to meet with you he or she will give you their email address or set an alternate time and date to discuss your concerns.

Attendance



It is imperative that you contact the school at 777-9117 ext 300 to report your child absent. When leaving a message please state your child's name and reason for absence. If you need to pick up your child for an appointment during school hours, please confirm your

arrangements before your child leaves for school. You may have your child bring in a note and we will try to ensure that your child is ready to be picked up at the given time.

A Message from Hadley's Vice-principal's Ms. T. McPhail & Ms. Greig

Students who are chronically late, skip lunch detentions or exhibit other disruptive behaviour may be assigned an After School Detention on a Friday including PD days.. Assigned detentions will be supervised by an Administrator and students will be expected to bring school work to complete/review. Detentions may last 1- 2.5 hours. *It will be the responsibility of the parent to provide transportation home afterwards.*

School fees

If you have not yet paid the school fees, we would like to ask parents/guardians to please make arrangements to pay school fees as soon as possible. Payment must be made at the school by cash, money order, and/or personal cheques as soon as possible. Unfortunately, if a student has planned to attend extra-curricular trips, school dances, or play on varsity sports teams, they may be prohibited from participating in the event until arrangements are made to pay the outstanding balance owed. If you would like to make written arrangements for payment, please contact Mrs. MacFarlane. Unfortunately, without payment and/or arrangements for payment being made with the school, we will ask the school board for assistance in helping in the collection of school fees. Please note that as it states in the school board policy, the school will forward a list of outstanding accounts that will be sent to a collection agency. As of the date of this letter, we have sent a list of outstanding accounts to the school board in the hopes we can receive assistance in the collection of schools fees. **Letters for outstanding school fees will be mailed out in the near future. If you are unable to make full payment at this time please contact Mrs. MacFarlane at (819)777-9117 or smacfarlane@wqsb.qc.ca.**

Hadley Junior High School Governing Board Schedule 2006-2007

Time and Place: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the PWHS Library

November 8, 2006 ○ December 13, 2006 ○ January 17, 2007 ○ February 21, 2007 March 21, 2007 ○ April 11, 2007 ○ May 16, 2007 ○ June 13, 2007

After School Homework Club

Parents, please consider this opportunity for your child! After School Homework Club is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays in room 103 from 3:40 until 4:45 or 5:00. Students can work on their own, with their friends or with support from the Resource teacher, Mrs. Kirby on homework and projects. Four computers with Internet services are available in the room for research and word processing. It is also helpful to send extra food for a nutritious snack after school on these days. No notice or formal arrangements required; the door will be open by 3:35. Come and give us a try! *It is the responsibility of the parent to provide transportation home afterwards*

Cold Weather Approaches: We ask that students come prepared for the cold weather. Students please dress appropriately for weather. One of the problems we face at school during the winter is students who throw snow and ice. We will discuss the dangers and consequences of “Snowballs” on school grounds and/or during school hours with all our students. In accordance with our Safe Schools Policy, students will be sent home if they throw snow or ice (whether at other people or not). The safety of our students and staff is our foremost priority and therefore the throwing of snow or ice will not be tolerated.

Bus Conduct: Students must always behave appropriately on school and city buses but especially during this time of year as road conditions are dangerous at times. We ask that all parents/guardians speak to students regarding their behaviour on the bus. Students are asked to stay seated at all times while the bus is in motion. We also remind parents/guardians and students that a student is not permitted to take a bus that he/she is not formally assigned.

Student Services

A reminder that the following people are available to speak with you if you need someone to talk to.

Mrs. Darlene Doucet	Grade 7 students	Room 250 / ddoucet@wqsb.qc.ca
Miss Tracy Charles	Grade 8 students	Room S09 / tcharles@wqsb.qc.ca
Mr. Moore	Guidance Counsellor	Room S01 / wesleymoore@wqsb.qc.ca
Mrs. Kirby Resource Teacher / Aboriginal Advisor		Room 103 / lkirby@wqsb.qc.ca

Are you interested in taking part in a Ladies Group? Do you enjoy hanging out and talking about girl issues? Do you want to learn how to care for your skin, eat healthy, and increase your self esteem. There will be guest speakers in to teach us about manicures, massage, and make-up application. Come to room 250 starting October 4th during your lunch hour.



Aboriginal News

Listen to morning announcements for any upcoming events. If you need guidance please feel free to contact Mrs. Kirby, Aboriginal Student Advisor.

KUMIK (Elder's Lodge) Main Lobby
Les Terrasses de la Chaudière
10 Wellington Street, North Tower
Hull, Quebec K1A 0H4
Telephone: (819) 953-2913
(819) 997-9703

Daily Opening Ceremony
Individual Visit/group Session with Elder in Kumik
Lunch Time for the Elder
Open Discussion (*Bring Your Lunch*)
Individual Visit/group Session with Elder in Kumik
Closing Ceremony

9:00 am
9:10 - 11:00 am.
11:00 A.M. - 12:00 pm
12:00 - 1:00 pm.
1:00 pm. - 4:00 pm.
4:00 pm

Hadley's 2nd Annual Cutest Pet Contest: Thanks to all Hadley students and staff who have participated in Hadley's 2nd Annual cutest pet picture.

We have raised \$50.00 which will be donated to Rosie's Animal Adoption. A non-profit, animal rescue group based in Montreal. Rosie's Animal Adoption is dedicated to ensure the survival of unwanted pets.

The Halloween Dance: on October 31st, Hadley held its first dance of the year which was a great success. All 544 students took part in the 2.5 hour dance which was supervised by all our Hadley staff members. An excellent way to start the year.

HADLEY SPORTS

Intramural Ultimate Congratulations to the Flies (grade 7) and the Beetles (grade 8) who were successful in finishing the Hadley Intramural Ultimate league in first place. The Beetles went on to play a friendly game against the teachers on Friday October 27th. The result of this game was 5-0 for the favourite. Next intramural sport: European Handball.

Girls' Basketball try-outs are running this week. We have held two so far and a third will occur on Thursday November 2nd. Grade 7s will practice from 5:00pm to 6:30pm.

The Boys Volleyball Team has been selected. The players will proudly represent Hadley at two tournaments before Christmas. The first tournament of the year will be on November 26, 2006. Our second tournament of the season will be on December 17th, 2006. Good luck boys. Students are reminded that playing sports is a privilege. If you have a late time slot for your practice you must **remain** on school property, doing homework or preparing for practice. Failure to respect school rules will result in your removal from a team roster.

Badminton: Congratulations to the badminton team who competed in their first tournament on Sunday October 22nd at Hormisdas-Gamelin High School in Buckingham! The team had many strong performances in both singles and doubles.

In boys' action, *Robin Aucoin* was undefeated with a 3 wins – 0 loss record to win his pool in singles. The team of *Jagger Nast* and *Julian Wilson* won all their doubles matches to win their division. *Wilson Chong*, *Jagger Nast*, *Brady Stewart*, and *Julian Wilson* won the consolation final in their respective singles division.

The girls' team was led by *Sophie Renaud* who won all her singles matches and was undefeated in doubles with her partner, *Raquel Albert*. *Cassandra Correia*, *Sophie Desmarais*, *Victoria Marchand*, and *Cassandra Richards* all reached the singles final of their respective pools.

The next badminton tournament is on Saturday November 18th. Good luck to all the players!

Health Tip: The phys-ed department encourages you to set a Term 2 health related goal. It could be to improve cardiovascular fitness, make a varsity school team, or get enough sleep every night. Make a goal and stick to it!

Please be aware that there have been several incidences in the change rooms. Hadley students are reminded that the use of the change rooms is based upon trust and responsibility. Change rooms are to be used for changing clothes and must not be used for storage of valuables or a mud room. The change room should be left as you found it; clean and tidy. Students who continue to abuse these accommodations, this convenience will be taken away and you will have to change for gym elsewhere.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

transportation arrangement / pick up times should be decided and confirmed before leaving for school in the morning. Students involved in after school activities and sports have a schedule and therefore should prepare and organize everything they may need for their activity. Students are not permitted to remain on school property after school. Only students participating in after-school activities may remain at school, however they are not supervised until they are with their coach or organizer. Parents and students are asked to please confirm your transportation arrangements with each other prior to the activity. Students are also reminded that because there are several hours between lunch and the time you will arrive home, it is important to pack a nutritious snack for your after-school activities.

The Emporium

Hadley & Philemon Wright are proud to announce the opening of The Emporium. The Emporium is a school business that has been established by Hadley PLACE: Centre of Excellence & The Philemon LOFT: Centre of Excellence to provide students with merchandise to support their school careers. The Emporium is located on the second floor of the building, center hallway, and is open every Recess (10:15-10:30) and the second half of both school lunch periods (Hadley 12:30-12:50).

So, if you are looking for school supplies and School Gear at great prices, with all profits going back into school programming, then come and visit us at *The Emporium!* If you have any suggestions of items please feel free to contact Mr. Caron at bcaron@wqsb.qc.ca

The Poetic Licence Contest for Canadian Youth 2007

The League of Canadian Poets, a national not-for-profit poetry organization founded in 1966, invites Canadian youth to participate in its *Poetic Licence Contest*.

There are two age categories, junior (grades 7-9) and senior (grades 10-12). First place poems in each category will receive a cash prize of \$200, second place winners will receive \$150 and third place winners will receive \$100.

All winning poems will be published in the League of Canadian Poets' e-zine, *Re:verse* at www.youngpoets.ca. All winners will receive *Poetic Licence* certificates and student membership in the League of Canadian Poets for one year. **Deadline: January 15, 2007.**

For more information please contact:

Andrea Thompson

League of Canadian Poets

'Promoting Canadian Poetry Since 1966'

Ph: 416-504-1657 / Fax: 416-504-0096 www.poets.ca www.youngpoets.ca



Lest we forget

<http://www.vac-acc.gc.ca/remembers>

Friendly Advice to Parents.....TOPIC OF HOMEWORK!

Junior secondary school students need to develop the habit of doing school work at home if they are to be successful and prepared for senior high school. They are just at the age when they crave more independence, matched more or less to increasing maturity about taking responsibility, and often resist a hands on approach to homework by their parents. In our school board, many students also spend long hours on school buses and have limited time for physical activity, recreation and spending time with family in those precious evening hours.

Consider this plan:

- 1) Think about your family's schedule. The goal is to find time to set aside REGULARLY for school work at home. If possible, aim for an hour per evening Monday to Thursday, or even better, Sunday to Thursday. As a parent, you can insist that the time be set aside; the child will have more ownership of the situation if he/she has a say in when the dedicated hour will be.
- 2) Explain to your child that this is his/her dedicated time to support school learning. You could consider it in three parts; homework assigned by teachers, reading chosen by the student in English and French, and review of ideas/information that was studied earlier in the school year (chosen by the student or imposed by the dates of upcoming tests!)
- 3) The child schedules activities during the hour according to the priorities of the school situation. You as a parent remind him/her of the time, take any phone calls from friends that would interrupt the hour, provide a work setting that suits the child with the necessary tools (dictionary, possibly computer

access, limited distractions).

You show a friendly interest in what the child is learning, invite him/her to show you upcoming deadlines recorded in the student planner, insist that the time be set aside regularly for schoolwork, remind him/her that it is time to start in five minutes.

4) The beauty of this arrangement is that you as a parent never need to ask the child if he/she has homework. You can ask instead what are you planning to do during school-work-at-home time? You could ask: what surprising, interesting or unusual thing were you talking about at school today? Or you can just remind that the time is coming up and ask if the child needs anything from you.

5) It takes time to develop a habit and some flexibility is needed. If your child has difficulty with the whole idea, considering starting with a shorter time used regularly, acknowledge every success you see, and gradually lengthen the work sessions.

It is also wise to impose these expectations when you the parent are present to supervise in a general kind of way, rather than expect this to happen when you are not home from work yet yourself. There may be times when your child will have left the assignment at school; that would be his/her problem to solve, and would not affect the setting aside of time for schoolwork. Even if the child claims to have nothing to do or review, the time is still there for reading.

6) The more your child sees that his/her choices influence what how well he/she does at school, the better this will work. You can provide general support, ask the right questions, praise good results, maintain contact with the teachers and insist that the time be set aside. If the child has great difficulty doing assigned homework, please contact the teacher!

To discuss these ideas, please contact your child's teachers or the Resource teacher, Linda Kirby, at 777-9117, ext. 341.