

Hi everyone,

We hope everyone has settled into the new school year, and that you had the opportunity to come last Thursday's meet the staff event. Here's the first PAC monthly newsletter for the year. As with last year, we will send out the newsletter on the Monday following each PAC monthly meeting.

### **PAC Minutes**

Thanks to those who were able to join us for the year's first PAC meeting. If you couldn't join the meeting, the minutes can be found here <https://hudsonpac.ca/archive-minutes/>

### **National Day for Truth & Reconciliation**

Henry Hudson will be closed on September 30th in observation of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (also referred to as 'Orange Shirt Day'). For anyone interested, [events will be held across the city](#).

To learn more, please visit the [National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation](#)

### **Construction update**

What a journey! After several years, the Henry Hudson seismic upgrade and school expansion project is very close to complete!

Thank you to the whole community for your support, patience and active involvement in making this huge endeavour a success. The PAC and HH Administration team will continue to work together to make ongoing improvements and additions to make the new school and grounds a safe, fun and welcoming space for everyone.

A wide range of questions and answers were covered on various aspects of the grounds in last weeks meeting, all of which can be found in the PAC meeting minutes.

### **Henry Hudson Spirit Wear**

Orders are open for Henry Hudson Spirit Wear until October 5 and will be completed and delivered to your child's classroom by October 31. Please visit [here](#) for more details. If you miss the window for this order, there will be other opportunities again later this fall.

## **Community Programs**

The VEMS band program this year is running a few kids shy. Anyone with a student in grades 4-7 who might be interested in learning an instrument in a fun group setting, please find the registration link is here:

<https://www.onlinebookingsystem.com/choralregistration/>

## **Hot Lunch Program**

Every Tuesday and Friday during the school year, Hudson students can enjoy a prepared lunch delivered to their class by [Calhoun's Catering](#). .

The hot lunch program benefits our community in several ways:

- Hot lunch is one of Hudson PAC's primary fundraisers. It is a source of funding for all the wonderful programs, initiatives and events with which we enhance our children's school experience. When you order hot lunch, a portion of the proceeds goes directly to the PAC.
- Students enjoy a variety of meals and sides, prepared fresh and delivered right in time for lunch.
- Caregivers choose from a large menu of healthy and kid-friendly options, and get a break from food prep.

For more info, please visit: <https://hudsonpac.ca/hot-lunch/>

## **Class WhatsApp groups**

Many families find it useful to join a WhatsApp group for their child's class. To help facilitate this, we created one group per class for the 2025-2026 school year. If you haven't already joined your group(s), use the links below to do so.

### **IMPORTANT:**

- The WhatsApp groups are NOT an official communication channel for the school, nor for the PAC.
- The class teacher will NOT be in the group and will not send information to parents via the group. If you are unsure how your teacher communicates with students' families, you must clarify that with the teacher directly.
- The PAC does not moderate discussions in the group. It is the responsibility of group members to keep discussions safe, civil, and relevant.
- If any concerns arise regarding messages shared in your group, please inform the PAC executive ([hudsonpac@gmail.com](mailto:hudsonpac@gmail.com)) and we will be happy to support you.

Division 1: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DSIQawY6iWG2m5f6GXrB5i>

Division 2: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HcQWTKEI4zK83H9m6Snmol>

Division 3: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/H4qrLwXfISE2TkATI8QvZN>

Division 4: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/BQfm4NCLxyUIM3fpJmJtuu>

Division 5: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/HK6xC7eqDKI9VLfq2VSBEi>

Division 6: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CS2DkN56qrBF4BIIDGrQ7G>

Division 7: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/lcBd3ltM1M53ngoYfovXxe>

Division 8: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Gk7Y6NfnygpKbTtDCnOLXJ>

Division 9: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/L6cLbmA0V04Awn1ipJSS7P>

Division 10: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DYDCXJVllrDNLeSwqDvFr>

Division 11: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/IWUeZ8syHaJKchg486SVIA>

Division 12: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/KAj72P06mEI82WCrn1YWwYD>

Division 13: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CgQymwDhciPEGBQPouv0nl>

Division 14: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/JekP1WGI9VJ7NXxoT1VOcW>

Division 15: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/FfwP9ojZOW3GnxKFDfOiOg>

Division 16F: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Jy1iqm5T8C5GslwfPFtH9N>

### **Clothing and costume sale: call for donations**

Back by popular demand, our used clothing fair will take place in the school lobby on **October 7-8**. More details to follow, but for now we need you to identify any gently used clothing, footwear, and costumes for ages 5-12 that need a new home, and be ready to drop them off at the school between **October 2-6**.



## Upcoming PAC Events

The PAC is working on a few events for this fall. Please stand by for more details as they get finalized.

If you are interested in volunteering for the PAC or on specific PAC events, please reach out to any of the PAC team for more information ([HUDSONPAC@gmail.com](mailto:HUDSONPAC@gmail.com)).

## Next PAC meeting

We are still finalizing the date for the next PAC meeting. A notice will be shared in advance with timing details..

Have a great month

PAC Executive team