



C'est quoi une famille? Une famille représenté par les premières années de Mme

Nascimento! ❤️ @newhalfmoonbay @OCDSB

December 7th, 2020

Dear Half Moon Bay students and their families,

As the temperatures are getting colder, we recognize that more parents are driving their children to school. We encourage all parents to park their car away from the school and walk 5 minutes. Please stop double parking, u-turns, and other traffic violations in front of our school. There is no stopping in front of the school from 8:00- 9:00\*.

We prioritize safety over convenience. We have notified Bi-Law and our School Resource Officer about some of the traffic violations that have occurred over the past week.

Leave extra time in the morning so your children can arrive at school on time.

\* I am going to double check the times on the sign in front of the school and share the picture with you next week!

## Use of Language to Prevent Harm

You deserve to be respected and feel valued at school.

We want to make it clear that the use of racial or other slurs or epithets has no place in our District. The uttering or writing or use of racial or other slurs (Eg. the n-word, pejorative terms used to describe Indigenous peoples, racial, ethnic, religious, sex, gender, sexual orientation, and/or disability attributes etc.) including when reading aloud texts, quoting or teaching course content, is not permitted and cannot ever serve educational purposes. It is harmful. Read our full statement [on use of language to prevent harm](#).

## Using Our WITS

The WITS Programs bring together schools, families and communities to create responsive environments that help elementary school children deal with conflict resolution. We are working with our children on their conflict resolution skills inside of the school and on the playground. Our children will continue to work on their WITS:

- W** Walk Away
- I** Ignore
- T** Talk it Out
- S** Seek Help

We will be reinforcing our students' application of WITS during the January Welcome Back Assembly.

We also will be reviewing hand hygiene and mask etiquette with our students. Infectious disease specialists suggest that you think of face masks like underwear, and that face masks should be washed each time you wear it (at the end of each day) Please make sure your child has a fresh mask everyday!

# Library News

It's the last two days of our virtual book fair! You need to order by midnight on Monday December 7th so that your purchase can support our library.

All the information on how to order is here: <https://hmbmakerspace.weebly.com>

You purchase online and the books are delivered to your home.

The selection is smaller than an in person book fair but there are some great titles. Below are a few suggestions that your child may enjoy...

## Some of the great titles available!

Your order will earn \$39.91 in Book Fair Rewards for HALF MOON BAY ELEM SCH!

<b>DOG MAN</b>	Dog Man #9: Grim and Punishment	1x	\$14.30
<b>Meet Yasmin</b>	Yasmin aime explorer	1x	\$8.55
<b>Take time to breathe</b>	Follow Your Breath: A First Book of Mindfulness	1x	\$9.50
<b>BLUE SPRUCE NOMINEE!</b>	Fast Friends	1x	\$8.55
<b>"Our strength is our diversity"</b>	All Are Welcome	1x	\$8.55
<b>"A beautiful, painful, heartfelt reminder that the past is with us still," a work of collaboration by two amazing Canadian authors</b>	Broken Strings	1x	\$12.40
<b>NON FICTION</b>	Beak!	1x	\$10.60
<b>A Canadian HERO</b>	Biographies in Images: Your Terry Fox	1x	\$10.95
	A Good Kind of Trouble	1x	\$8.55
<b>a funny and charming story that reminds us of the importance of balance, self-care, and accepting those we love (even if they are sometimes a bit rotten).</b>	The Good Egg	1x	\$7.60
			Subtotal: \$99.15

## More great titles!

<b>Global Read Aloud 2019</b>	Front Desk	1x	\$9.50
<b>Elephant et Rosie!</b>	Elephant et Rosie : Quelqu'un a pris mon ballon!	1x	\$11.90
<b>Winter is coming...</b>	Dragon Masters #17: Fortress of the Stone Dragon	1x	\$7.60
<b>Newest Diary of a Wimpy Kid</b>	Diary of a Wimpy Kid #15: The Deep End	1x	\$12.40
<b>NON FICTION</b>	Circuit Science	1x	\$13.25
<b>CELEBRATE!</b>	Binny's Diwali	1x	\$22.85
<b>Blue Spruce Nominee!</b>	Bad Dog	1x	\$7.60
<b>HOCKEY</b>	Hockey Superstars 2020-2021	1x	\$8.55
			Subtotal: \$93.65

## Today's Suggestions:

<b>NON FICTION</b>	Space	1x	\$19.05
<b>a story of friendship, art, and hope.</b>	The One and Only Ivan	1x	\$11.45
<b>RECOMMENDATION: "holding a gem, handling a moment"</b>	I Promise	1x	\$23.80
<b>Family, Grandparents, Heroism &amp; Bravery</b>	War Stories	1x	\$14.30
<b>Super Chien #8</b>	Super Chien 8 : Atrope-22	1x	\$14.30
<b>CELEBRATE!</b>	Powwow: A Celebration Through Song and Dance	1x	\$16.20
<b>Imagine a world where everyone is kind - how can we make that come true?</b>	Kind: A Book About Kindness	1x	\$19.05
			Subtotal: \$110.15

## Even more great suggestions:

<b>NON FICTION</b>	Animal Superheroes: Real-Life Stories of Furry and Feathered Heroes	1x	\$12.40
<b>This typical, life-affirming story is about losing and finding home and, most importantly, finding yourself.</b>	Other Words for Home	1x	\$11.45
<b>Choose your Own ending!</b>	Countdown to Danger: Canadian Geology	1x	\$8.55
<b>Learn about some of the toothiest animals in the world!</b>	Fangs	1x	\$7.10
<b>You can't go wrong with... Robert Munsch</b>	Teamwork	1x	\$7.60
<b>Discover the power of activism</b>	I Am One: A Book of Action	1x	\$18.10
<b>A new graphic novel series in French</b>	Baby-Siters Petite sœur 1 : Karen et la sorcière	1x	\$16.65
<b>a joyful celebration of individuality and staying true to yourself</b>	Toi!	1x	\$19.50
			Subtotal: \$110.15

Message from the OCDSB

**OCDSB Speaker Series with Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe -  
December 9th, 2020**

Being resilient means we are okay during a set back, challenge or a crisis and we are okay on the other side of it. How we get to and stay okay varies but the practice of continuing to push forward, even when it is hard, is a choice. Resiliency lives within us all.

OCDSB is pleased to present a virtual [Speaker Series event](#) on Resilience with [Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe](#) on Wednesday, December 9th, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Transformational, engaging, and thought-provoking, Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe's session will provide practical strategies grounded in global research and case studies that help foster resiliency within others and ourselves.

Dr. Robyne Hanley-Dafoe is a multi-award-winning psychology and education instructor who specializes in resiliency, navigating stress and change, leadership, and personal wellness in the workplace.

7	DEC, MON	● All day	10 more days of sparkle
8	DEC, TUE	● 6 – 7:30pm	School Council
11	DEC, FRI	● All day	PJ Day
18	DEC, FRI	● 8:45 – 8:50am	HMB TV- Mme Ranger's class
		● 12:15 – 1:15pm	School wide BINGO

**Have a great week!**

**Aisling O'Donnell & Harry de Roo**  
**Administrative Team**  
**Half Moon Bay**