

# February 2019 NEWS!!

## HAMMONDS PLAINS CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

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### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

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| <b><i>Feb 1-28</i></b> | <b><i>African Heritage Month</i></b>   |
| <b><i>Feb 8</i></b>    | <b><i>Deadline For Ordering Candy Grams!!</i></b>                                  |
| <b><i>Feb 12</i></b>   | <b><i>SAC 6pm/PTA 7pm Primary French Immersion Information Session 6:30 pm</i></b> |
| <b><i>Feb 14</i></b>   | <b><i>Valentine's Day/Candy Grams Delivered</i></b>                                |
| <b><i>Feb 18</i></b>   | <b><i>No School - Family Day</i></b>   |
| <b><i>Feb 23</i></b>   | <b><i>Family Movie Night</i></b>   |
| <b><i>Feb 27</i></b>   | <b><i>African Heritage Month Closing Ceremony</i></b>                              |
| <b><i>Apr 18</i></b>   | <b><i>Spring Hop (Family Dance)</i></b>  |

### **PRIMARY REGISTRATION:**

Registration for the 2019/2020 school year will take place Feb 1<sup>st</sup> - Feb 28<sup>th</sup>. Children who are five years old by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 are eligible to begin school. If you know of anyone in the community who may not be aware of the registration, please share this information with them. Registration must be done in person and we require proof of age, proof of residency, provincial health card number and updated immunization information. Parents must indicate whether the child is registering for the English program or the French Immersion program.

### **VISITORS IN THE SCHOOL:**

Please remember that when entering our school you must come in the main doors and sign-in at the office. All other doors to the school are locked during the daytime hours. These rules are in place for the safety of your children. At this point, we are asking parents and guardians not to accompany the child to the classrooms during instructional time. Please report to the main office if you are dropping off or picking up your children. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Excel parents are to use the parking lot doors at all times.

### **PTA NEWS:**

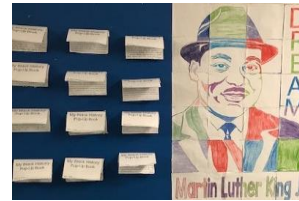
- The PTA is doing a Valentine candy gram fundraiser. The forms and money need to be returned by February 8<sup>th</sup>. Candy grams will be delivered on Feb 14<sup>th</sup>.
- Hold the Date: Family Movie Night Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> and Spring Hop Dance April 18<sup>th</sup>.

## STUDENT PICK UP:

While we understand that on occasion children need to be picked up early for appointments, it can be quite disruptive to your child's learning and the learning of others. **If you do need to pick up your child early, we would remind you to please send a note with him/her so that message bags, homework, etc. can be prepared before they leave.** Please avoid calling in advance to arrange for your child to be waiting in the office prior to your arrival. Once you have arrived to sign him/her out, they will be paged to come to the office.

## African Heritage

### Month

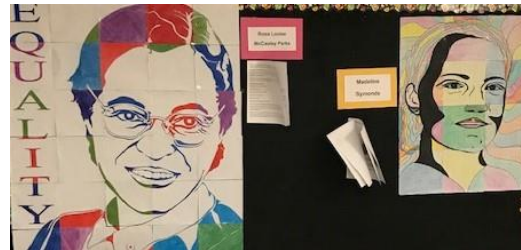


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Our theme at HPCS this year will be “respecting” the arts and culture of people of African descent both locally and around the world. Our focus is intended to incorporate the *six pillars of character education* which was introduced in January during our Martin Luther King Day assembly.

#### THE SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER



We are pleased to welcome local artists, historians, authors and speakers to our school to share their experiences throughout the month. We will also be highlighting historical events, literature and culture in our classrooms in recognition of the contributions and achievements that people of African ancestry have made to the world.



We encourage our HPCS family to participate in the diverse array of African Heritage Month events that will take place, in February, as a means of learning about an important and beautiful thread of the fabric that makes up the magnificent tapestry of our nation.

