
HAWK TALK

SOARING INTO FALL

We've had a busy few weeks at Henry Street High School and so much more is to come! Fall is in full swing, and so is our school – packed with events, fun classroom moments, and plenty of things to celebrate.

We are happy to share some exciting updates from around the school, highlights from recent events and a look ahead at important dates you won't want to miss. Let's dive in!

PROGRESS REPORTS AND PARENT/GUARDIAN TEACHER NIGHT

Progress reports were handed out to students by their teachers on October 8th.

We invite our families to our Parent/Guardian-Teacher Interview night this Thursday, October 15th from 5 – 7 pm. Parents/guardians are not required to sign up for individual times. Teacher locations will be posted throughout the building on the night of.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



A big thank you to Mrs. Chapman for leading and inviting our staff and students to participate in a school display of remembrance with a Gchi-Pitendaagziwag Kina Binoojijag "Every Child Matters" – Orange Ribbon Memorial.

On September 30th, Henry Street HS staff and students remembered and honoured Residential and Indian Day School survivors by participating in Orange Shirt Day and learning about the significance of this day.

Shoutout to Ms. McRae for creating vinyl stickers again this year for our students that could be displayed on their computers or cellphones to recognize and commemorate National Day of Truth and Reconciliation.

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HENRY'S GOT TALENT

We'd like to thank everyone who came out on October 8th to support our talented students and staff; it was a great success! With your support, we were able to raise \$1,500.00 for our performing arts scholarship.

We'd like to recognize Mr. McKinnon's hard work and dedication to make this event a great night for all. Shoutout to Mr. Spence and the AV Club for all their hard work behind the scenes – from set up to keeping everything running smoothly, we couldn't do it without you!



TERRY FOX RUN

Our annual Terry Fox Walk/Run was held during 2nd period on Friday, October 2nd. It was so great to see all of our students and staff out supporting the Terry Fox Foundation. Thank you to our amazing Henry Athletic Council for being on the walk/run path cheering and directing our students around the community!

Henry Street HS is proud to do our part and raise funds for cancer research. We are proud to say we surpassed our fundraising goal of \$3,000.



OSSLT

The Ontario Secondary Student Literacy Test will be written by all eligible Grade 10 students on November 24th and 25th. The OSSLT will be written in the students homeroom or Inclusive Student Services. The test format is 2 booklets; 1 booklet written each day. Successful completion of the literacy test is one of the requirements to earn an Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

Attention Grade 10 students see your grade level Google Classroom for information, updates, and resources to prepare in the coming weeks.

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HAWKS SOAR: CLUB SPOTLIGHT

MUN

Interested in world affairs, debate, diplomacy, and making your voice heard? Join our Model United Nations Club! You'll represent countries, debate global issues, develop public-speaking skills, and work with other students to find solutions to real-world problems. No experience is necessary—just bring your ideas and enthusiasm! Meetings are at LUNCH Tuesdays in room 413. See Mr. Poll or Mr. Shefler for any questions.

Student Leadership

Henry Street Student Leadership are happy to host our 4 legged friends from Sunshine Therapy Dogs. Need a break from studying? Come meet your new furry friends at Doggy Dates! Stop by the Hub at lunch on Oct 22nd to pet the sweetest therapy dogs on campus. Don't miss out on the best part of your day!



VANDERMEER FLOWER SALE

We are happy to announce we will be having our Vandermeer Flower Sale Fundraiser again this year to support our Performing Arts Scholarship. We have given away \$3500 in scholarships over the past two years.

Holiday florals and decoration are ordered through School Cash Online.

Deadline for orders are November 25th and will be ready to pick up in the Library at Henry Street HS on December 2nd.

Contact Mr. McKinnon if you have any questions.

2026 WINTER FUNDRAISING
VOUCHER PROGRAM

Thank you for supporting local community groups!

 Jolly Saint Nick Poinsettia in 4.5" ceramic pot \$20.25	 Austral Gem Fern Houseplant in 4" ceramic pot \$20.25	 Beary Bright Planter Reusable wood planter \$41.75	 8" Holiday Tin Reusable metal planter \$41.75	 12" Holiday Tin Reusable metal planter \$60
 Single Cyclamen 6" pot available in many colours \$14.75	 Single Poinsettia 6" pot available in many colours \$14.75	 Double Poinsettia 8" pot available in many colour combos \$28	 Triple Poinsettia 10" pot available in many colour combos \$39.50	
 Fresh Evergreen Wreath Outdoor, available in many bow colours \$56.50	 Fresh Door Swag Outdoor, available in many bow colours \$28.25	 Fresh Evergreen Basket Outdoor, available in many colours \$79	 Vandermeer Gift Card Redeem any time No expiry date \$35	

Vandermeer's grows holiday plants in our own greenhouse. We've been partnering with community for over 20 years!

vandermeer nursery
Products may not be exactly as shown.

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FROM GUIDANCE

Our Grade level guidance counsellors are:

Grade 9: Last name A – G : Ms. Igel (annmarie.igel@ddsb.ca)

Last name H – P : Ms. Hines (kathryn.hines@ddsb.ca)

Last name R–Z : Ms. Nundy (smita.nundy@ddsb.ca)

Grade 10: Ms. Hines (kathryn.hines@ddsb.ca)

Grade 11: Ms. Igel (annmarie.igel@ddsb.ca)

Grade 12: Ms. Nundy (smita.nundy@ddsb.ca)

College Fair @ Durham College

Representatives from all Ontario Colleges will have booths set up at Durham College!

Date – Thurs, Oct 29

Time – Morning ONLY! Bus will leave Henry at 9:30am, Bus will return to Henry at 12:00pm

Transportation – 1 Bus from Henry Street to Durham College Oshawa will be provided

*First 46 permission forms back will be allowed to go!

Pick up Permission forms from Guidance and return permission forms to Ms. Nundy by Tuesday Oct 27

FYI – if you are apart of SHSM this will count towards a certificate for you.

Post-Secondary Applications

Grads have you done the research? Have you visited the schools? Do you know where you want to apply? Do you know what program you want to apply to? Have you started the application but you are still stuck? Check out the poster for available drop in dates when Guidance will support you with your College and/or University Applications.

Grade 9 Take Our Kids to Work Day

Take Our Kids to Work Day, on Wednesday, November 4, is a career exploration opportunity for grade 9 students. The theme for this year is **Different Perspectives, Shared Direction**.

Henry Street Grade 9 Students will be on their Fall Break during this time. Henry Street students are still encouraged to participate in Take Our Kid to Work Day, however this is an optional day for them.

Please take some time to read through the [Family Guide](#) and [Student Commission Website](#) on how to get the most out of this wonderful day or career exploration.

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SCENT AWARENESS REMINDER

To help keep our school safe and inclusive for all, we kindly remind families and visitors that we are a scent-aware environment. This policy is in place due to allergies and sensitivities that can be triggered by strong fragrances such as perfumes, colognes, and scented products. We appreciate your support in choosing unscented or lightly scented items when coming to school. Thank you for helping us create a healthy learning space for everyone.

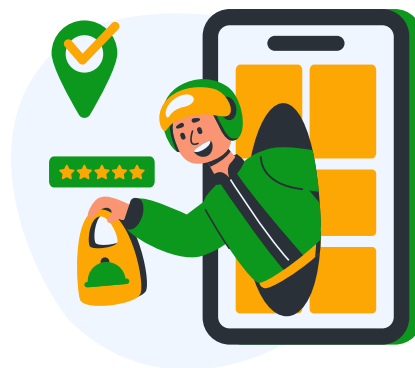


REMINDER: FOOD DELIVERY GUIDELINES DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

We would like to remind students and families that food deliveries during class time are not permitted, and students may not eat during instructional time. These deliveries cause significant disruptions to classrooms and interfere with students' learning.

Food deliveries may only take place during lunch periods, and students must meet the delivery person outside the school. For safety reasons, we cannot allow outside delivery personnel to enter the building or walk the halls in search of delivery locations.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain a safe and focused learning environment.



NEED TO CONTACT A TEACHER?

If you need to get in touch with your student's teacher, email is the best and quickest way to reach them.

Please visit Henry Street's website (<https://henrystreeths.ddsb.ca/en/index.aspx>), under the **Our School** tab you will find **Staff Directory**. From the **Staff Directory**, you will be able to email your student's teacher directly

Teachers do their best to respond promptly, so don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

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REMINDERS

Henry Street High School begins at 9:30 AM. Dismissal time is 3:30 PM, we ask that all students leave the building promptly by 3:40 PM unless under the supervision of a staff member for a club, team or activity. If your student is waiting for a bus, we ask they wait outside at the front of the school or in the front foyer to avoid missing their bus.

Our lunch time for all students is 12:05–12:55 PM.

If a student is signed out of school, they must leave school property. Students cannot be signed out to remain on campus for reasons such as watching sports events, studying in alternate locations, or spending time elsewhere in the building. This policy is in place to ensure the safety and accountability of all students during school hours. Knowing where our students are at all times is essential, and we appreciate your support in helping us maintain a safe and secure environment for everyone.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 14 – College Fair – PM in Library

October 15 – Parent/Guardian – Teacher Interviews – 5 – 7 pm

October 20 – Photo Retakes

October 26 – PA Day (No Classes)

November 2–6 – November Break (No Classes)

Principal – Karla Torrente

Vice Principals – James Rook (Last names A–K)

Patricia Biffin (Last names L–Z)

Superintendent – Andrea McAuley

School Trustees – Michelle Arseneault, Tracy Brown and Christine Thatcher

ATTENTION GRADE 11/12S



DURHAM COLLEGE TRIP

OSHAWA CAMPUS

THURSDAY OCT.29 (MORNING ONLY)

REPS FROM ALL ONTARIO COLLEGES WILL HAVE
BOOTHs SETUP AT DURHAM COLLEGE

**PERMISSION FORMS
AVAILABLE IN GUIDANCE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE MS. NUNDY

Post Secondary Application Support



 Ontario Universities' Application Centre	 ATTN GRADE 12S Post-Secondary Application Deadlines are Fast Approaching!
UNIVERSITY DEADLINE: JAN 15	 OCAS
COLLEGE DEADLINE: FEB 1	

Following dates Guidance is available for Drop in to support students applying to College and Universities!

Friday Oct 16

Hub @ Lunch

Monday Oct 19

Library ALL DAY - Only students on spare will be supported during class time, lunch open to all grads

Friday Oct 23

Hub @ Lunch

Please Start your Applications before dropping into Support!

[Check out How to Apply to Ontario Colleges here](#)



[Check out How to Apply to Ontario Universities here](#)

[ONTARIO UNIVERSITIES' INFO: EXPLORE PROGRAMS HERE.](#)

Algoma—Brampton : INFO NIGHT: NOV 11.	Royal Military College of Canada : NOV 7.
Algoma—Sault Ste. Marie : INFO NIGHT: NOV 10.	Toronto—Mississauga : OCT 18.
Brock : NOV 15.	Toronto—Scarborough : NOV 7.
Carleton : OCT 24.	Toronto—St. George Campus : NOV 14.
Guelph : OCT 25.	Toronto Metropolitan : NOV 7.
Guelph—Humber : NOV 21.	Trent—Durham GTA : NOV 14.
Hearst : ---	Trent—Peterborough : NOV 6.
Lakehead—Barrie : NOV 7.	Waterloo (including Conrad Grebel, Renison, St. Jerome's, & United) : NOV 14.
Lakehead—Orillia : NOV 7.	Western : NOV 8.
Lakehead--Thunder Bay : NOV 20.	Western—Huron : NOV 8.
Laurentian : OCT 24.	Western—King's : NOV 8.
McMaster : OCT 24; NOV 14.	Wilfrid Laurier—Brantford : NOV 14.
Nipissing : OCT 24.	Wilfrid Laurier—Milton : NOV 14.
OCAD (Ontario College of Art & Design) : OCT 24.	Wilfrid Laurier—Waterloo : NOV 7.
Université de l'Ontario français : ---	Windsor : OCT 24.
Ontario Tech : OCT 24.	York--Keele : OCT 24.
Ottawa : OCT 25.	York—Glendon : OCT 25.
Ottawa—Saint Paul : TBD.	York—Markham : OCT 25.
Queen's : NOV 7 & 8.	

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Ontario Colleges: Search programs by program, career, or field of interest.

<u>Algonquin—Ottawa</u> : NOV 7.	<u>Michener Institute of Education</u> : NOV 21.
<u>Algonquin—Pembroke</u> : OCT 26.	<u>Mohawk—Centre for Aviation Technology</u> : NOV 10.
<u>Boréal</u> : ---	<u>Mohawk—Fennell</u> : NOV 7.
<u>Cambrian</u> : NOV 7.	<u>Mohawk—Institute for Applied Health Sciences</u> : NOV 11.
<u>Canadore</u> : NOV 7.	<u>Mohawk—Stoney Creek Campus for Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship</u> : NOV 7.
<u>Centennial</u> : NOV 28.	<u>Niagara</u> : NOV 7.
<u>Conestoga</u> : NOV 7.	<u>Niagara Parks School of Horticulture</u> : ---
<u>Confederation</u> : NOV 12.	<u>Northern</u> : ---
<u>Durham—Oshawa & Whitby</u> : NOV 7.	<u>Ridgetown</u> : NOV 28; REACH Huron-Clinton: NOV 20.
<u>Fanshawe</u> : NOV 7.	<u>Sault</u> : ---
<u>Fleming</u> : SUTHERLAND CAMPUS: OCT 30 FROST & HALIBURTON CAMPUSES: NOV 7	<u>Seneca Polytechnic</u> : NOV 21.
<u>George Brown</u> : OCT 24.	<u>Sheridan—Brampton & Oakville</u> : NOV 7.
<u>Georgian</u> : NOV 14.	<u>Sheridan—Mississauga</u> : NOV 12.
<u>Humber Polytechnic</u> : NOV 14.	<u>St. Clair—Windsor / Chatham</u> : NOV 7.
<u>La Cité</u> : NOV 14.	<u>St. Lawrence—Brockville</u> : NOV 6.
<u>Lambton</u> : NOV 14.	<u>St. Lawrence—Cornwall</u> : NOV 7.
<u>Loyalist</u> : OCT 17.	<u>St. Lawrence—Kingston</u> : NOV 14.

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Grades 4–6

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Grades 7–12

For details and to register:

[click here](#)



Monthly meetings on Mondays from 5–7pm

October 26, November 23, January 11, February 22, March 8, April 12, May 17

First meeting: Oct 26





Big Drum Social

Saturday, October 24, 2026

11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Brock High School

Durham Regional Rd 12, Cannington, ON

All are welcome!

• **Free Admission**

• **Vendors**

• **Food**

• **Big Drum**

• **Dancers**



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