

March 13, 2020

Re: Closure of all HDSB Schools March 16<sup>th</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020

## **Good Morning**

As I am sure you are aware, yesterday the Ministry of Education ordered all schools to be closed following March 14, 2020 through to Friday April 3, 2020.

The purpose for this closure is to actively prevent large groups of staff and students from coming together in an effort to slow the spread of the COVID19 virus. Furthermore, during the week of the March Break, the Board will be deep cleaning all of its facilities.

With the provincial directive in mind the Halton District School Board will be closing ALL of its school buildings to ALL Child Care and EarlyON programs effective Monday March 16th. Immediately this means all scheduled March Break programs will not be operating.

While we recognize this will cause considerable logistical concerns for some of our families counting on child care supports, the need to clean and prevent the use of our facilities from the exposure to the COVID 19 virus is our primary focus.

Please call Leanne Pesowski, Manager of Child Care (905 691 2992) directly should you have any clarifying questions.

Thank you in advance for your support and understanding of these unique circumstances.

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