

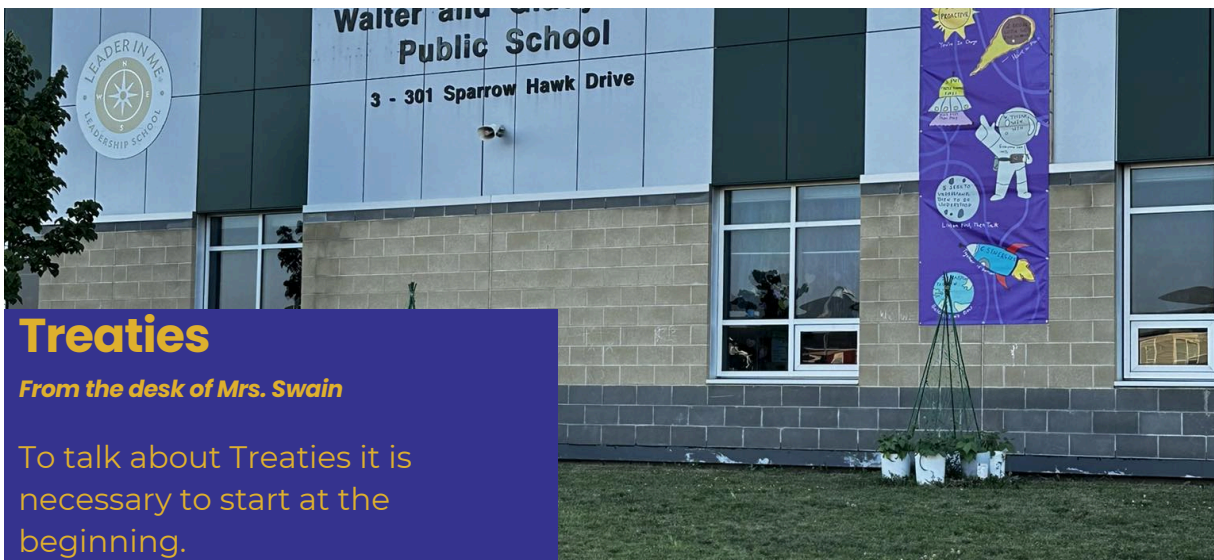


EMPOWERING LIFELONG LEARNERS AND INSPIRING CREATIVE MINDS

WALTER AND GLADYS HILL

RAVEN RAMBLER

APRIL 2025



Treaties

From the desk of Mrs. Swain

To talk about Treaties it is necessary to start at the beginning.

Where does the beginning start? Let's look at the land, and start with Turtle Island. North America is commonly referred to as Turtle Island among many Indigenous Nations. The geographical outlay depicts the shape of a turtle and is based on a story about Sky women.

The Leader in Me – Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw

From the desk of Mrs. Arsenault

Sharpen the Saw is about taking care of all your needs: body, mind, heart, and spirit. As we focus on these four areas, we create growth and change in our lives.

To Sharpen the Saw

1. Focus on improving your body.
2. Focus on growing your knowledge and understanding of the world around you.
3. Focus on relationships and people you care about and strengthen your connections with them.
4. Focus on connecting with nature and the world around you.



Grades 1-6:
8:00am – 2:40pm
Lunch: 11:30am – 12:15pm

ECDP/KINDERGARTEN:
AM: 8:00am – 10:50am
PM: 11:50am – 2:40pm

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Dear Raven Families,

April was an exciting and eventful month at Walter and Gladys Hill! We were incredibly proud to see our students represent our school at the regional science fair, where their hard work and creativity earned them several medals—way to go, Ravens! Our badminton teams wrapped up their seasons with a strong finish, and we were thrilled to host the final tournament right here at WGH.

We also welcomed many new families through our Early Learning Open Houses. The energy and enthusiasm about joining our school community was wonderful to see—we can't wait to welcome our newest Ravens in the fall! Behind the scenes, we've been hard at work preparing our School Education Plan for the 2025–26 school year. This important document outlines our goals and priorities and will be shared with the division and board before being published on our website.

Our students and staff were busy fundraising for the Autism Society, which has become a great tradition here at WGH. Also, thanks to the generous support of our Friends of Ravens Society, we were able to welcome back Alien Inline for another fun and active experience for our students. Looking ahead, May is shaping up to be a very busy and exciting month with our Multicultural Event, our 10-Year Anniversary Celebration (complete with a school dance!), and much more on the horizon.

As always, thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,
Mr. Andrews
Principal

THE RAVEN RECAP

APRIL 2025



ECDP Open House

Our ECDP team hosted our annual open house, for families joining us for the 2025/26 school year. This provided new #raven students and families a great opportunity to meet our teachers, educational assistants, administration, and see our school and classrooms! We really enjoyed being able to meet so many new faces, and answer questions, getting everyone excited for September!

If you have a child that is able to attend ECDP in the 2025/26 school year, you can still register for a spot following this link: <https://www.fmpsdschools.ca/registration/new-families-to-fmpsd>



Student Clubs - Charity Champions and Esports

At Walter and Gladys, we offer a variety of extra curricular clubs and teams for students to learn, develop, and pursue different interests. For example, we host our Charity Champions, which is a grade 4 and 5 group that raises funds for various local organizations. They've ran bracelet sales, food drives, donation challenges, and more - this year, they've raised over \$1500.00!

We also have our Esports club, which is an application based club for students 10+ years old to develop their competitive gaming skills. In addition to gaming, Esports teaches students several life long skills such as teamwork, respect and communication.



STUDENT

PHOTOS



FROM THE NEST OF YOUR FRIENDS OF RAVENS

APRIL 2025



FRIENDS OF RAVENS BOARD MEMBERS

President – Chauntelle McCallum

VP – Janet Pardy

Treasurer – Marie McKay

Secretary – Amy Hrovat

Directors at Large –
Kate Buczulak, Heather Pinsent, Shruti Sharma

SCHOOL COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS

President – Janet Pardy

VP – Kate Buczulak

Secretary – Amy Hrovat

Directors at Large – Chauntelle McCallum, Swapnal Sharma, Marie McKay

Parent Advisor – Jihan Jones

[LINK TO PARENT SECTION OF THE
SCHOOL WEBSITE](#)

[INTERESTED IN
VOLUNTEERING?](#)

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

Did you know that the parent executive support our school through fundraising activities that allow our students to participate in events such as Alien in Line, Danceplay, and more? If you are interested in volunteering or being an executive member, reach out to Mr. Andrews for more information!

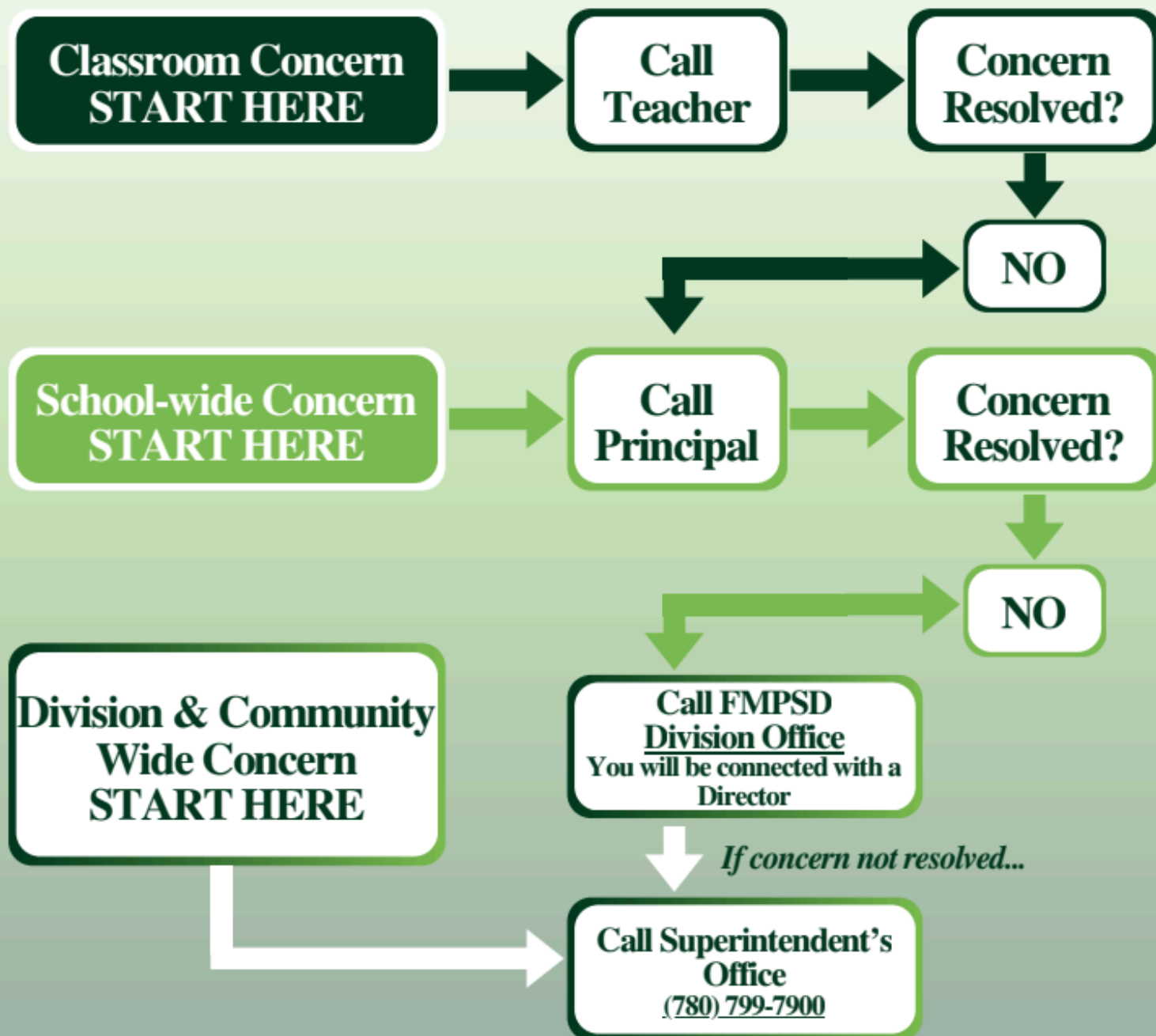
**NEXT MEETING:
MAY 6TH 6:00PM
WALTER AND GLADYS HILL LEARNING
COMMONS OR ONLINE**

MARCH 2025

SCHOOL CLUBS



CLUB / ACTIVITY / TEAM	DIVISION / GRADES
Badminton Club (Completed this month)	Grades 5/6
Floor Hockey Team	Grade 5/6, Try Out Based
Student Lighthouse	Grades 1-6 (<i>One student from each classroom</i>)
Charity Champions	Grades 4 and 5
Meow! The Musical	Grades 1-6, Audition Based
Esports Club	Division 2 Students Aged 10+, Application Based
Robotics Team	Division 2 Students, Application Based
Intramurals	Grades 1-6, Rotating



If you cannot
determine whom to call
START HERE

Contact Us.
We want to hear from you.

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Executive Function Highlight

Cues of Felt Safety

Felt safety is a subjective feeling of safety on the inside of your body.

It's a regulated, balanced state in your stress response system.



Greet others positively every morning. Take the time to say hello and check in.

1



Use a warm controlled voice when giving instruction or having a discussion.

2



Create a welcoming environment with calming elements like plants and soft lighting.

3



Make connections before providing instruction and directions.

4



Offer a fidget and a calming space to support emotional regulation.

5



MAY DATES

May 1

**Multicultural
Celebration Night**

May 2

PLF
No School

May 8-9

Kindergarten Open Houses
May 8 5:00-7:00pm, May 9 9:00am-
12:00pm

May 9

Spirit Day
Dress like you are going Camping

May 16-19

No School

May 23

Spirit Day
Earth Day (Outside Cleanup Day)