



# Hawthorn Elementary School

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## Hello to the Hawthorn School Community,

The HSA will be sending out a regular monthly update at the beginning of each month, right after our regular meeting. (7pm the first Monday of the month in the school library... come and join in!) This will be to help keep our school community informed about what we're doing, upcoming events and how you can help. The highlights are listed below. There will also be a link soon on the front page of the Hawthorn school website to these updates and the minutes from each month's meetings.

So, who are we? We're the parent committee who fundraises for our school and puts on events like the Cards for Seniors and the Spring Fair. We supplement things like classroom budgets, school trips, team shirts and much, much more. The group is open to anyone who cares about Hawthorn and is willing to help, so come and get involved. An hour or two can make a huge difference.

### UPCOMING EXCITEMENT:

**New** Hot Lunch Program, starting soon with 1 day a week and shortly moving to 2 days a week in the New Year! Details will be coming home next week.

**New** School Supply Program for next school year. For those that opt in, you order and pay for a pre-set class package online and everything needed for your child is delivered in one package to the school the week before school begins in September at the lowest price possible!

### Main things we need help with now!

1. **We need grant writers!** For several different projects, but in particular more technology for our classrooms (we are falling behind other schools in this self-funded area) and outside equipment for our kids to play on. If you have expertise in this field or know someone who does and that could be willing to help, please contact us.

2. **Run Club.** Ms. Hudson has volunteered to help with the layout of how it would work, but we need help, and implementation, she is only in our school 40% of the time, so in order for it to happen we need 2 or more key parents to jump on board! This would run from early

spring to the first week of June. **If you can help Run the Doctors NS inspired Run club we'd like your help!**

3. We are hoping to have a **Bike Event** to coincide with Earth Day on April 22nd. This would include bike safety and a bike swap as well as a bottle drive. We have a parent interested in Co-Chairing, but we need **at least one more co-chair** if not more. If you can help, we want you! Many hands make light work.

We can be contacted through the HSA email [hawthornschoollhsa@gmail.com](mailto:hawthornschoollhsa@gmail.com) or through the **HSA Facebook page**. Any questions or help offers can be directed to any of our executive committee. Bryony McStay Fost, Rachel Blair-Johns or Pamela MacDonald.

We all look forward to working with you in the upcoming year!

**Hawthorn HSA**

**Next Meeting: Monday December 3rd at 7pm**

Don't forget to get your **Just Us coffee orders in by November 16th...** Check out the NEW Supersaver 2lb bag available this year!