



Hillfield Strathallan College

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YESTERDAY THE HILLFIELD STRATHALLAN COLLEGE COMMUNITY RAISED MORE THAN \$32,000 IN SUPPORT OF THE HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF EFFORTS.

Hamilton, ON – On Thursday, January 21, the students, faculty and staff of Hillfield Strathallan College joined together in a College-wide dress-down day in support of disaster-relief in Haiti. The HSC community was encouraged to wear red and blue, the colours of Haiti, to show support and solidarity.

Recently Headmaster, Dr. Matthews spoke to the student body, as well as faculty and staff, about the unfolding catastrophe in Haiti and issued a challenge to raise \$3,000 in support of Haitian relief. **At last count, the HSC community had managed to raise over \$32,000, exceeding expectations by more than ten times.** All of the money raised will be donated to the Canadian Red Cross Haiti Earthquake Fund, and it will be used to help the people of Haiti rebuild their shattered lives.

“There have been many occasions over the course of the past seven years when I have felt enormously proud to be part of the Hillfield Strathallan College community, yesterday was one of those occasions”, said Headmaster Dr. Matthews.

“The generosity we witnessed throughout the day was very touching. Whether it was the six-year-old literally emptying their piggy bank, or the older child grasping the significance of how much an individual can do to help others, the most poignant part of the process was listening to the students explaining their concerns as they engaged in helping others”, added the Student Life Coordinators working with the students on this important initiative.

Hillfield Strathallan College is a not-for-profit independent day school. Since 1901, Hillfield Strathallan College has served the Hamilton and Golden Horseshoe area by providing young people with extraordinary educational opportunities. It offers an enriched academic, arts and athletic program, through its four schools, from early Montessori ages and JK to Grade 12.

Now in its second century, Hillfield Strathallan College remains committed to excellence achieved through a broad approach to education that integrates academic training, character development, and social skills to nurture the whole student. It encourages its students to good citizens, strong leaders, and lifelong learners. For more information, visit: www.hsc.on.ca

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