

Robert Little SCHOOL NEWS



BY MELISSA MORRISON & CHRISSY PERIERA

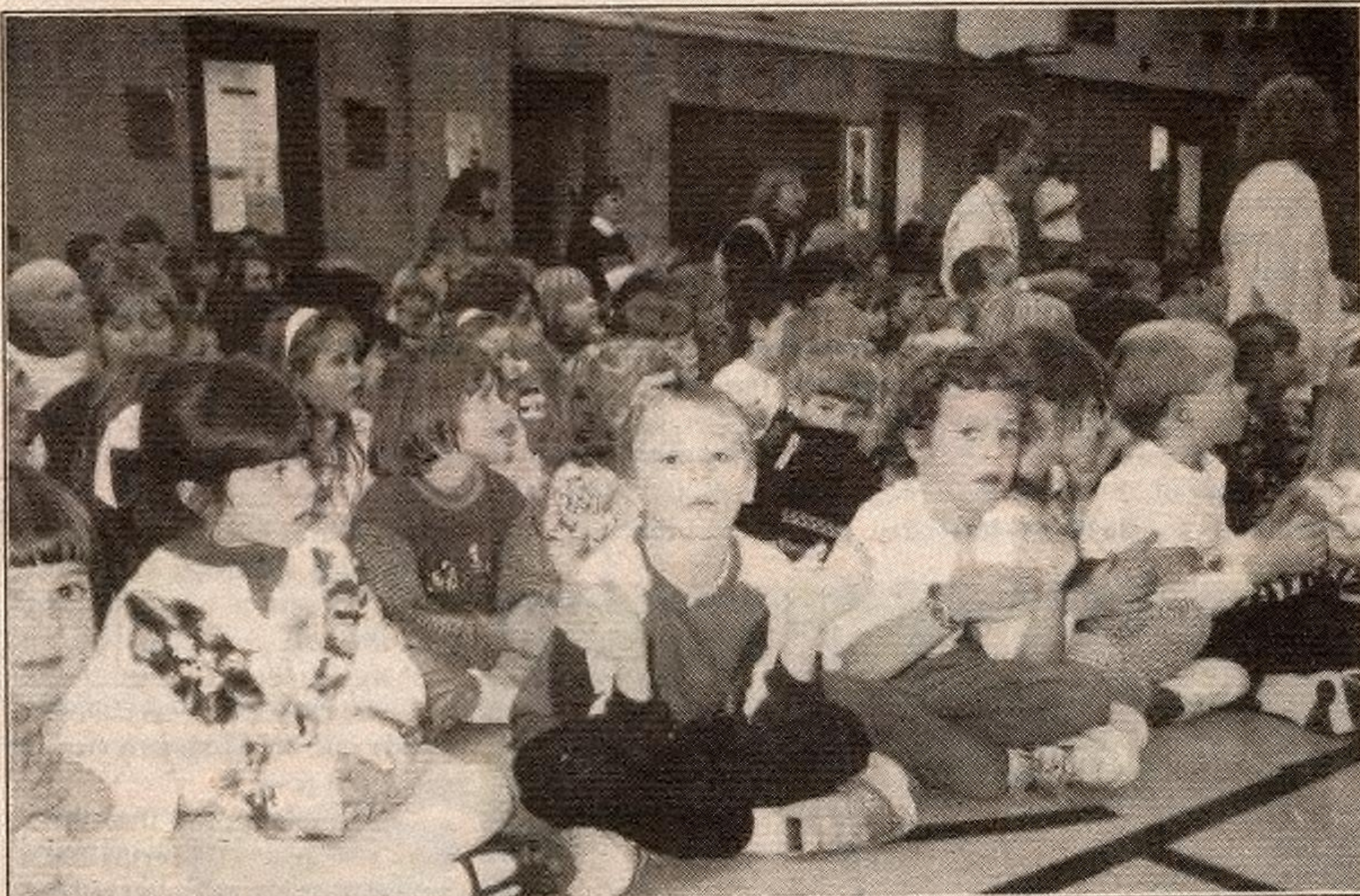
At Robert Little school we have a Primary Choir with about 100 singers and a Junior Choir with about 50 members. The children practice each week during lunch hour. The Junior Choir is currently working on Remembrance Day songs which they will sing at our school service. Mrs. Vickery says that many children are responsible about attending rehearsals in preparation for concerts. We're proud of their effort.

The Chicken Club is a program which informs students about the dangers of drugs. Every Friday the junior students wear their T-shirts or buttons to show that they are not interested in drugs. We appreciate the time Mr. Coones has spent in organizing this club.

On Oct. 13, Barbara Smucker, a fantastic novel writer came to our school to talk to the Grade 4 and 5 students about her books.

She was born and raised in Kansas and she graduated with a degree in journalism and a teacher's certificate in English.

Mrs. Smucker has written many children's novels and she has won several awards, including a Canada Council award. Some of Mrs. Smucker's books are Underground to Canada, Incredible Jumbo, Jacob's Little Giant, White Mist, Amish Adventure, and her newest book is Garth and The Mermaid. The setting for this story is in Guelph. We really enjoyed Mrs. Smucker's visit.



MUSICAL MAGIC: Students at Acton's Robert Little School had a toe-tapping good time last Wednesday when the Funshine Company children's group rolled into town for a command performance. The students sang and danced their way through a lively hour of riveting entertainment. (Frances Niblock photo)

Acton High SCHOOL NEWS



BY TANYA MARISSIN, DAVID BLASER & MELISSA HILL

Acton District High School welcomes three new teachers to the staff: Mrs. Green, Miss Nicoll, and Mr. Rennie. Here's a little inside information to get to know them better.

Mrs. Green comes from Burlington every day to teach at ADHS. She teaches Grade 9 and 10 advanced science and Grade 10 advanced math. Mrs. Green finds the ADHS staff and students supportive and easy to get to know because of the "small school" atmosphere. White Oaks High School in Oakville is where Mrs. Green taught for two years, and also attended White Oaks as a student. Mrs. Green is eagerly anticipating a new addition to her family; she is expecting her first child on Dec. 15. Congratulations Mrs. Green!

Another of the new teachers is Nancy Nicoll. Miss Nicoll teaches Grade 9 and 10 core French and Grade 10 French Immersion. When asked about her impression

of ADHS, Miss Nicoll answered: "Acton is a friendly school with friendly staff and students. I hope to become a permanent member of the school and I hope to meet more of the students."

Mr. Brian Rennie is our new Science teacher at ADHS. Formerly a teacher at Oakville Trafalgar High School, Mr. Rennie states that ADHS is "noticeably different" from his old school, being about half the size. Another difference that Mr. Rennie has noticed is that he spends more time preparing his lessons. Because he is so busy, Mr. Rennie has little time to explore Acton High. Here's hoping he finds the time.

Acton District High School welcomes Mrs. Green, Miss Nicoll, and Mr. Rennie, and hope they are beginning to feel like part of the ADHS family.

St. Joseph's SCHOOL NEWS



BY ANNE-MARIE MCGERAGLE & MELISSA PAWLAK

St. Joseph's Senior Kindergartens are learning wood-working with Mr. Legere. He brought in all his tools and is showing the children how he uses them.

We have a new vice attached to

our work bench and can now open our workshop centre.

The Junior Kindergartens in Mrs. Rivers room made a BIG good-bye card for Mrs. Porter. They all printed their names to tell her how much they love her. They will miss her so much!

The Grade 1's in Mrs. Barrett's class invited Mrs. Munbaesi's Grade 1's for a visit to share books they had written about things they like. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

The Fund Raiser has gone extremely well. We gave away robot banks. Our first robot went to Shannon Harkley. Congratulations Shannon!

Mrs. Curry's class made up ghost stories that the Grade 8's wrote down for them. The stories were great and Mrs. Curry was very impressed with the skills of these Grade 8 students.

Some students are already planning their Hallowe'en costumes. Remember to be careful when trick or treating. Have a good Hallowe'en everyone!

HALLOWEEN

In Canada, the Hallowe'en experience is shared across the cultural spectrum, with children coast-to-coast participating in the Celtic-inspired traditions of donning costumes and trick-or-treating.

While Hallowe'en is not a world-wide custom, many countries have similar autumn festivals dedicated to the return of the souls to the dead. In Portugal it is customary to hold a big family feast on All Soul's Day and bake sugar cakes for the occasion.

The Spanish also have a special pastry, called "Bones of the Holy." In Czechoslovakia, some families put extra chairs around the fire-side for the souls of dead relatives. In Hong Kong, Yue Lan, or The Hungry Ghosts Festival, is similar to Hallowe'en. People burn fruit

or pictures of money as offerings to the spirits. In the Japanese O-Bon Festival, food and water are placed before pictures of the dead and bonfires are lit to guide their path.

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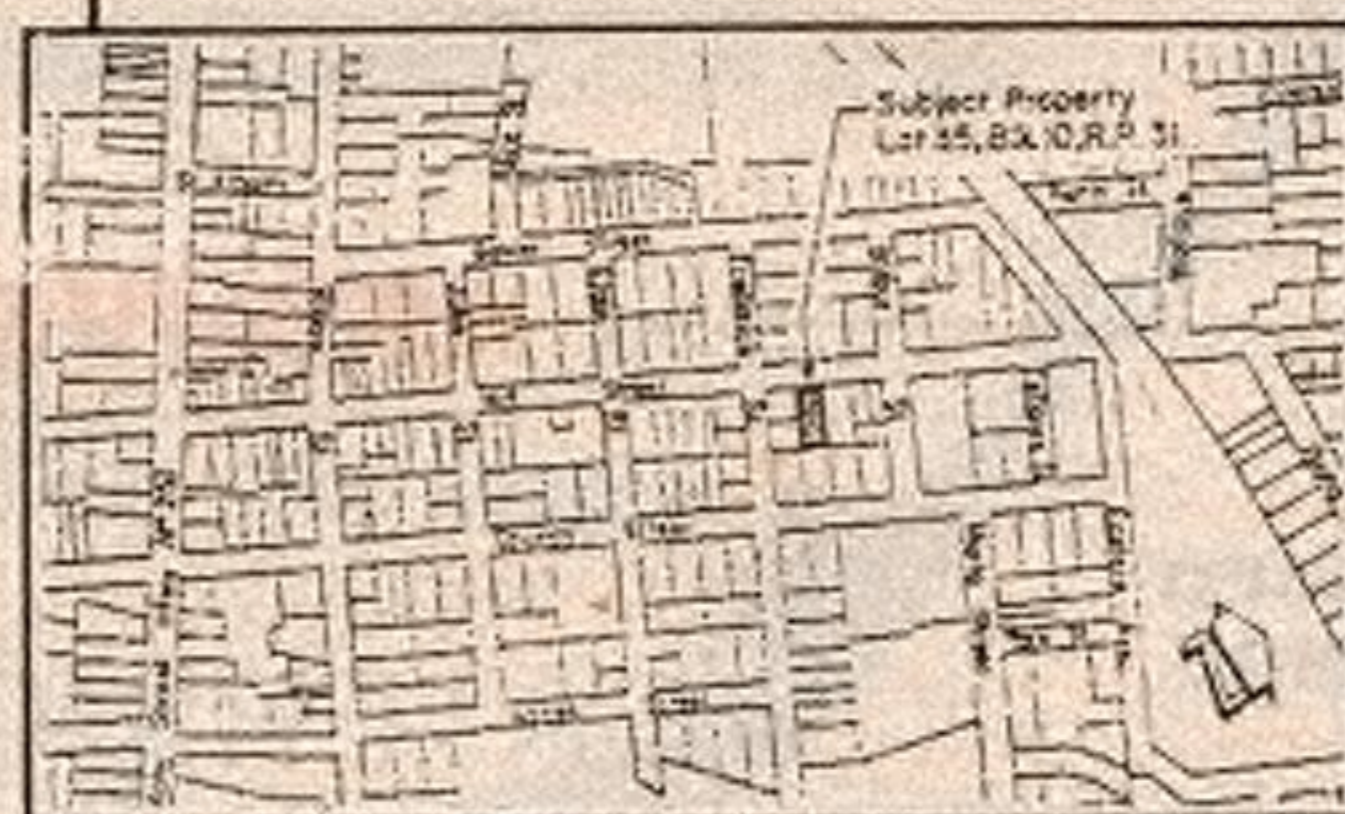
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Ward 1 — Mill Street East**

Council for the Town of Halton Hills will conduct a Public Meeting to examine and discuss proposed amendments to the Halton Hills Official Plan and Zoning By-law 1358 to permit the conversion of an existing residence to a retail store to be operated by the Salvation Army.

The subject property is located at 110 Mill Street East in Acton. The property is situated on the south side of Mill Street East between Frederick and Wilbur Streets, with the property being described as Lot 35, Block 10, Registered Plan 31, Town of Halton Hills (Acton).

Further information is available in the Planning Department.

ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE WELCOME

DATE: Monday, Nov. 2, 1992

TIME: 7:00 pm

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Civic Centre

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