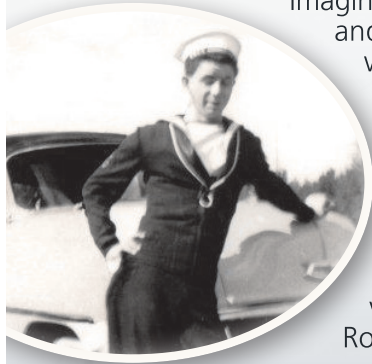


Chat with a veteran of the Royal Canadian Navy

IT'S A SAILOR'S LIFE (Elementary School)

Imagine sleeping in a hammock and sharing your bedroom with 50 other people! Sailors aboard HMCS Haida worked hard and sacrificed many of the comforts of home in order to protect Canadians. Students will hear the stories of veteran sailors from the Royal Canadian Navy.



- Discover a new language... "Sailor Speak"
- Try sending and receiving a message using semaphore or morse code key

CHAT WITH A VETERAN (Seniors)

Once an active destroyer used in WW2, the Korean War and the Cold War, HMCS Haida now floats quietly in Hamilton Harbour. Visit with Royal Canadian Navy veterans as they tell some of Haida's stories and their own. Join in and share your own connections to Canada's history too.



IN THE SERVICE OF CANADA (Beaver, Cubs, Scouts, Cadets, Brownies and Guides)

Could you leave family and friends behind to sleep on a rolling ship in a hammock? How about if this new "bedroom" also housed 50 other people? Learn about the challenges of a sailor's life and hear the stories of veteran sailors from the Royal Canadian Navy.

- Discover a new language... "Sailor Speak"
- Examine navy artefacts
- Learn how life was different for kids growing up during wartime
- Try sending and receiving a message using semaphore or make a keepsake with communication flags



THE COMMUNITY OF A BIG SHIP (Preschool to Grade 3)

HMCS Haida was like a floating community with sailors filling many of the common jobs of people in our own communities such as baker, cook, barber, and fire-fighter. Students will meet veteran sailors who will share their experiences of living on a big ship.

- Discover the trades (jobs) of sailors
- Create a keepsake while learning about communication flags



VISIT FROM A VETERAN (Secondary School)

HMCS Haida is Canada's Most Decorated Warship; a symbol of Canada's proud military past. Your visit with our team of veterans outlines the story of HMCS Haida from WW2, through the Korean War, and the Cold War, stressing the developing independence and role of the Royal Canadian Navy. Students will hear the stories of veteran sailors, and have the opportunity to ask questions.



- Examine navy artefacts
- Try sending and receiving a message using semaphore or morse code



"Thanks so much for presenting such an important part of history to our youth."

—St. Hilda's Eagles Hockey Team

"We really enjoyed having Captain Pandzich attend the Remembrance Day Assembly. He came into my classroom afterwards and the students many questions for him. We really enjoyed that, too!"

— Mrs. Caldwell, Guy B Brown Elementary

CREATE A VISIT!

If there is something different you need for our visit to your class or school, please let us know – we are flexible and happy to work with you!

The kids really loved the presentation. A couple of the parents told me that their child couldn't stop talking about what he had heard or saw. One parent of a Beaver said that her child was amazed that he got to shake a veteran's hand. I think both gentlemen did a wonderful job at presenting the information and artifacts to the children. They got down to their level and spoke where the children could understand. I feel it is very difficult to teach about the military to children. But these two men were excellent."

—Scouter Pam

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to you for taking the time to visit us at Sir John A Macdonald to share your time and your fascinating memories. We have learned much from your unforgettable experience. Please rest assured; we shall always treasure your service to Canada and the sacrifice of your Fallen Comrades. As a proud Hamilton school we therefore promise that...We Will Remember!

—Richard Moll and the staff and students of Sir John A Macdonald Secondary School

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