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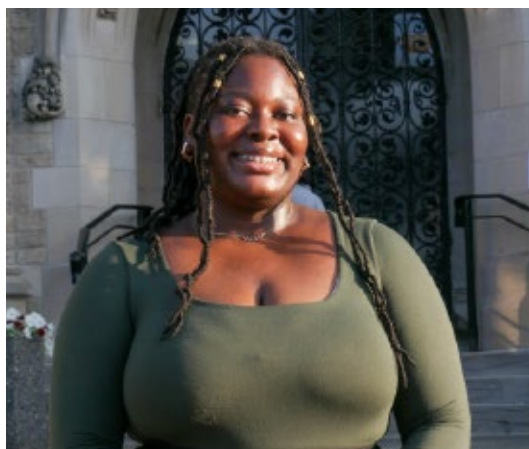
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**The following individuals are recognized for embodying HBHC's pillars of:
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General Achievement Bursary



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Zoe Patterson
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General Achievement Bursary



Seretta Goulbourne
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Monique Smith
Business
Achievement Award



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Jackie Washington
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Ainara Alleyne Rising Star Award

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WINNER - Joshua Persaud (pictured far right) - Cathy Wever Elementary School

TOP 3 FINALIST - Michelle Bosede (pictured middle left) - Our Lady of Hope Catholic Elementary School

TOP 3 FINALIST - Jaylan Pryce (pictured middle right) - Queen Mary Elementary School