

Friday, September 4

Hello, RRM Families!

We have been busy this week preparing for your child(ren)'s arrival next week. The school is looking great!

Hopefully, you have had a chance to review the School Reopening plan that was sent last week. That document has been updated today. A few highlights to note:

- Due to bus arrival times, our driveway will be closed to vehicle traffic in the morning. If you are driving your children to school, please park along Trafalgar Road. A reminder that we are asking for students to be dropped off as close to the bell as possible - the yard will not be available to students before school.
- As our recycling program is temporarily suspended, students will be asked to bring their containers home at lunch to be recycled there.
- At this time, we are asking students *not* to bring indoor shoes to school. They will not be changing their shoes when they come into the building.
- Our water fountains are out of use at this time. We do have a water bottle filling station that students can use. Please ensure all students have a reusable, labelled water bottle.

We have had some inquiries about school supplies and what may be required. Please know that we will provide your students with all that they need for learning. If students would like to bring some of their own items, we would suggest:

Kindergarten	Grades 1-2	Grades 3-4	Grades 5-6
-crayons (small box) -glue stick (not liquid glue)	-pencil crayons (small box) -safety scissors -Crayola-style markers (not Sharpies) -Highlighters -Glue stick	-pencils -colouring tools (Crayola markers and/or pencil crayons) -scissors	-pencils -pens -ruler -pencil crayons -scissors

Students in all grades will require masks for indoor use. We would suggest sending one mask for students to wear, as well as a back-up mask in case the mask becomes wet, dirty, etc. Students will be provided with a paper bag in which to store their masks when they are not in use - you are welcome to send your own container if you prefer.

Our current staff list has been posted to our website. You will receive a call from your child(ren)'s teacher(s) on either Tuesday or Wednesday of next week, to chat about first day procedures and answer any questions that you may have.

We are still looking to hire an additional supervisor for the mornings - hours of work for this position would be from 8:35-9:05 daily. We are also looking for parents and community members who are able to help occasionally in this role, on an as-needed basis. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please let me know.

Just a reminder that we are following a staggered entry plan during the first two weeks of school, as indicated in the chart below:

ELEMENTARY IN-PERSON LEARNING: JK to Grade 8 schedule of staggered entry - Alphabetical by last name					
	Monday Sept. 7	Tuesday Sept 8	Wednesday Sept 9	Thursday Sept 10	Friday Sept 11
All students (JK-Grade 8)	Labour Day Holiday	DD classes only - full day	DD classes only - full day	Last name A-L only - full day	Last name M-Z only - full day
	Monday Sept 14	Tuesday Sept 15	Wednesday Sept 16	Thursday Sept 17	Friday Sept 18
All students (JK-Grade 8)	Last name A-L only - full day	Last name A-L only - full day	Last name M-Z only - full day	Last name M-Z only - full day	All JK - Gr 8 students attend full day

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school. I am looking forward to meeting you and your children next week!

Yours truly,

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