

École Lansdowne

SEPTEMBER 2024

MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION:

We want to extend a warm welcome to all new and returning students to École Lansdowne as we kick off the 2024-2025 school year! We're excited to be getting back into the fall routine, and we are confident that the upcoming school year will be filled with many new learning opportunities and academic success for all of our students.

Welcome back to returning staff, and a special welcome to the newest members of our Lansdowne team:

Faria Sheikh – Vice-Principal
Brittany Serebnitski - IERT
Carla Lopez - Grade 6-8 Learning Support
Hillary Finch – Grade 1
Ornella Akaneza – Grade 1/2
Samira Jaballah – Grade 2
Tristan Francis – Grade 3
Nasr Msaddak – Grade 4
Phil Palsson - Grade 1-6 Music

For a complete list of staff members, see page 2. Thank you to our custodial staff who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to prepare the school for another year of learning - we are very appreciative of their hard work and dedication. We hope that our school community members will do their best to be responsible citizens: please remember to reuse, reduce, recycle, and use waste bins whenever possible. Please mark your calendars for the following important dates in September:

September 4th - First day of classes for grades 1-8 (Please note that pylons will be placed outside with your child's teacher, grade, and room number).
- Kindergarten and Nursery drop-in (time and date were mailed to families).

September 5th & 6th - Kindergarten and Nursery staggered start (time and date were mailed to families).

September 9th - Kindergarten and Nursery bussing start.

September 12th - Meet the Teacher/BBQ from 4:00-6:00 p.m. (BBQ sticks, chips, and drinks and vegetarian option will be available for purchase from 4:00-5:00 p.m.).

September 27th - Orange Shirt Day

We are committed to providing a safe and comfortable learning environment for all of our students and staff. We believe in a strong community-school partnership, and we encourage open communication throughout the year. If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please contact your child's teacher, the office staff, or administration at 204-338-7039.

We appreciate your ongoing support and look forward to seeing, meeting and working with all of you!

- Mme Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues, Principal - Mme Faria Sheikh, Vice-Principal

Dress Code

École Lansdowne respects students' rights to dress comfortably and express their individuality. This code supports all groups, including gender, ethnicity, religion, household income, gender identity, and cultural observance.

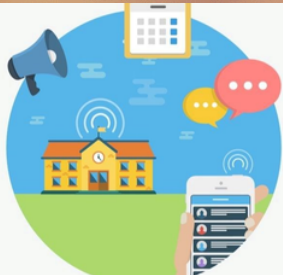
All students at École Lansdowne are expected to respect the school community and activities by dressing appropriately for the weather and environment. Student attire should facilitate participation in learning and consider the health and safety of students and supervising adults. This policy provides guidance for students, staff, and parents. Students are not permitted to wear clothing or headwear with offensive images, language, or themes related to profanity, hate speech, drugs or alcohol, sexualized content, or items that may be seen as gang-affiliated.

The primary responsibility for students' attire resides with the parent/guardian and student. The school ensures that student attire does not interfere with health and safety and does not create a hostile or intimidating environment for any students or staff.

Cellular Phones and Internet-Enabled Devices

To protect the privacy and safety of all students and staff, a strict no cell phone policy is in place at Lansdowne. Effective immediately, students are not permitted to use cellular phones on school property. Phones must be turned off and kept in bags or lockers during school hours.

If you need to contact your child, please do so through the office. Students using their devices will have them confiscated until the end of the school day. Repeated offenses will require parents or guardians to retrieve the device from the office.



SAFE ARRIVAL

ABSENCE REPORTING SYSTEM

If your child will be away from school for any reason, you must use Safe Arrival to report the absence. The Safe Arrival toll-free phone number is **1-855-278-4513**. If you have not already done so, please sign up for an account on the website at <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca> using the same email address we have on file at the school in order to report absences online. You may also download and use the app to inform the school if your child(ren) will be away for any reason.

École Lansdowne Staff List 2024-2025

Directrice: Jessica Mayor-Rodrigues

Directrice-adjointe: Faria Sheikh

Secrétaires: Sandra Skorpad (Head Secretary)
Sue Jones (Clerk)
Sabrina Godard (Library Technician)

Concierges: Bryan Morris (Head Custodian)
John Longsma (Evening Custodian)
Mitch Ruminski (Evening Custodian)

Enseignants:

Nurs./Kind. a.m. & p.m.	Room 124	Kyla Haggart
Nurs./Kind. a.m. & p.m.	Room 129	Debbie Betts
Nurs./Kind. a.m.	Room 131	Rhonda Morden
Grade 1	Room 144	Hillary Finch
Grade 1	Room 145	Sheila Sandison
Grade 1	Room 146	Emily Warren
Grade 1/2	Room 132	Ornella Akaneza
Grade 2	Room 137	Samira Jaballah
Grade 2	Room 138	Barb Rymarczuk
Grade 2	Room 136	Sylvie Arnal
Grade 2/3	Room 135	T.B.D.
Grade 3	Room 134	Ari Sarbit
Grade 3	Room 139	Tristan Francis
Grade 4	Room P2	Tanoe Estelle Amoa
Grade 4	Room P1	Khady Niang
Grade 4	Room P3	Nasr Msaddak
Grade 5	Room 133	Christianne Cayanan
Grade 5	Room 122	Abdel Khalboubi
Grade 5/6	Room P4	Audrey Manalili
Grade 6	Room 118	Dana Linton
Grade 6	Room 121	Jillian MacKenzie
Grade 7/8 Français	Room 119	Krystal Mitchell
Grade 8 Science humaines 7/8 ELA	Room 114	Mike Wiebe
Grade 7/8 Science 7 Science humaines	Room 115	Henri Mendy
Grade 7/8 Math 7 Technology	Room 111	Mike Hrechkosy
Grade 3-8 IERT	Room 112	Jevian Haywood
N-2 IERT	Room 132D	Brittany Serebnitski
IPLE/1-3 Literacy Support	Room 103	Joan Coppens
N/K Support	Room 131	Rhonda Morden
Grade 2 Learning Support/Outdoor Learning	Room 131	Amber Hewitt
Grade 3-5 Learning Support	Room 110	Lucille Galvez
Grade 6-8 Learning Support	Room 112	Carla Lopez
Grade 1-8 Guidance	Room 132A	Léona De Rosa
Grade 1-8 Phys. Ed.	Gym	Ryden Marko
Grade 1-8 Phys. Ed.	Gym	Gillian Ginsburg
Grade 1-8 Music	Room 102	Amy Carlson
Grade 1-6 Music	Room 102	Breanna Heinrichs
Grade 1-6 Music	Room 102	Phil Palsson

Auxiliaires:

Samuel Mwimuka	Andrea Harrison	Bonnie De Sousa
Marine Nyirankuriza	Helen Matias	Pat Pavcek
Margaret Melo	Navdeep Bagri	Craig Johnston



LANSDOWNE DAILY SCHEDULE

8:20 a.m.: First Bell Rings

- Students line up outside, teachers greet students and walk them to their classrooms

8:25 a.m.: O Canada and Announcements

11:30 a.m.: LUNCH

- Students eat in their classrooms and then go outside

2:55 p.m.: Final Bell Rings

- Students line up and are walked to the bus or picked up at their assigned doors



Reminders

NO STOPPING
in front of
École Lansdowne!



YOU MAY BE FINED!

If you will be picking up
your child who usually takes
the school bus, please notify
the office **before 2:00 p.m.**



September

The full version of our newsletter is sent to all families **electronically**.

Please make sure the school has your current email address on file so that you don't miss out on important information!



Assigned Doors

Students will enter and exit from their assigned doors as follows:

N/K & 1/2 Split • NE back doors to the grade 4 hallway

Bussed N/K • N bus loop doors

Grades 1 & 2 • SE back doors to the grade 1 hallway

Grade 3 & 2/3 Split • NW front doors to the library hallway

Grade 4 • NE back doors to the grade 4 hallway

Grades 5 & 6 • E back doors beside gym

Grades 7 & 8 • SW front doors on Wiginton (main entrance)



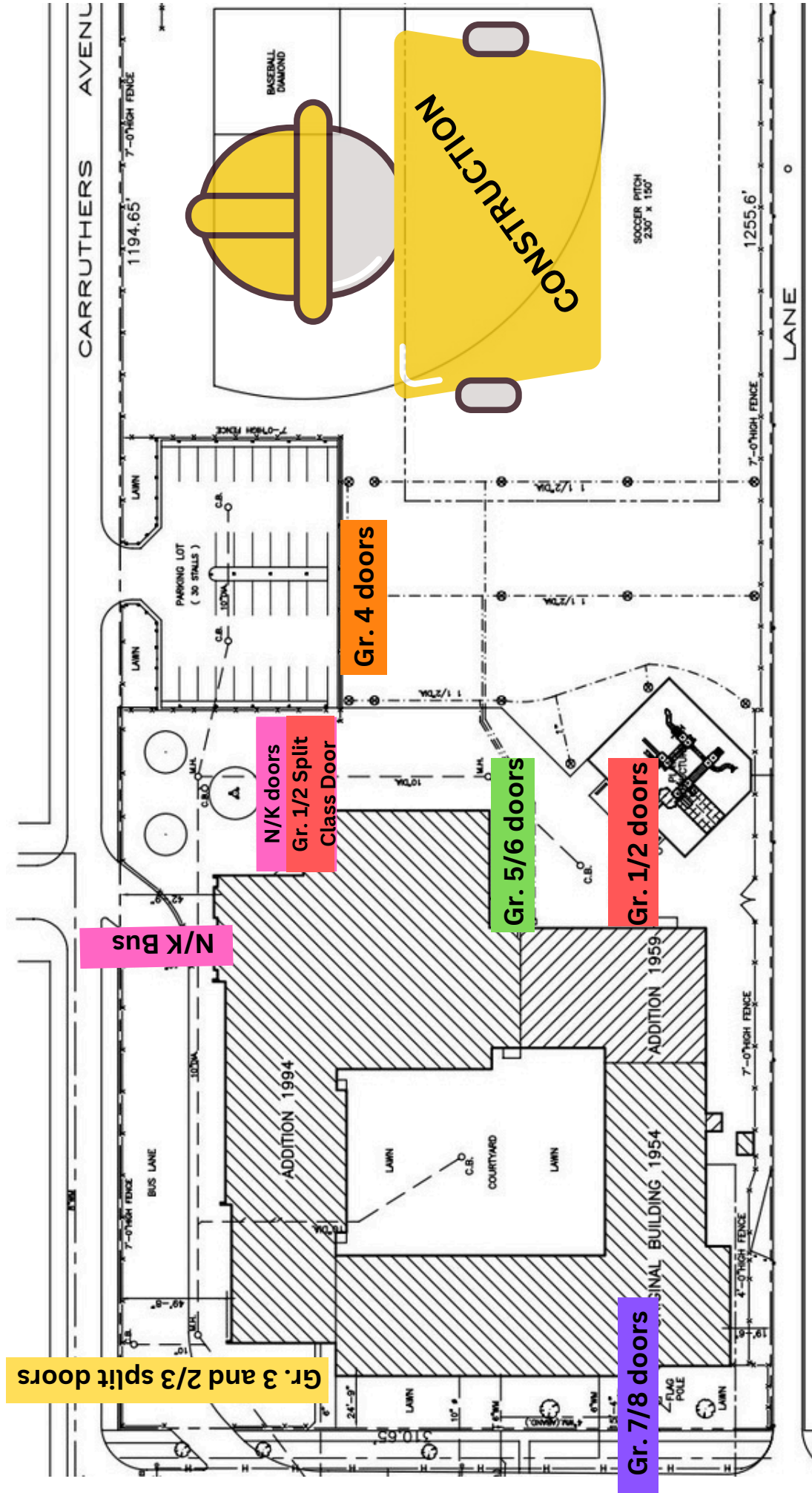
Absences

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Absences must be recorded before 8:30 a.m. and planned absences may be reported in advance.

Lansdowne Entry Doors





L.P.C. Executive 2024-2025:

PRESIDENT: Andrea Harrison

VICE-PRESIDENT: Wendy Zebrasky

SECRETARY: T.B.D.

The L.P.C. Welcome Back BBQ will be held on Thursday, September 12th in conjunction with the Meet the Teacher evening. The event will be taking place just outside the gym doors from 4:00-5:00 p.m. - Filipino BBQ, bag of chips, and bottled water will be available for \$4.00 or, individual BBQ sticks may be purchase separately for \$3.00. Pre order forms will be sent home with students prior to the BBQ. Please note a limited amount of sticks will be available for purchase the day of. Admin. and staff members will be present to answer any questions related to the parent council and lunch program. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you to all who helped make this possible!

L.P.C. MEETING DATES

Monday, September 23, 2024

Monday, November 4, 2024

Monday, December 16, 2024

Monday, January 27, 2025

Monday, March 10, 2025

Monday, April 21, 2025

Monday, May 26, 2025 (A.G.M.)



CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER



For those interested in fundraising this year, cases of chocolates will be available for pickup starting September 12th. Once you have filled out a request form, the chocolates will be provided to you to take home. Each case is worth \$90.00 and contains 30 boxes of chocolates to be sold for \$3.00 a piece. All money raised will be to support school-initiated programming including guest artists, music and band programs, physical education programs, and technology integration.

As always, fundraising is voluntary - if you do not wish to sell chocolates but would still like to contribute cash or cheque, donations will also be accepted.

Please make all cheques payable to Lansdowne Parent council.



L.P.C. LUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch Program Coordinator: Mary Sutton
Phone: 204-338-7039
lunchprogramsuttonm1@gmail.com

WHAT IS LUNCH PROGRAM?

The Lunch Program is a **non-profit small business** that is administered by the Lansdowne Parent Council. The L.P.C. is a **volunteer group of parents** who have been given the mandate by the Winnipeg School Division to oversee the Lunch Program. As such, L.P.C. employs a Lunch Program Coordinator and Supervisors. L.P.C. pays E.I., W.C.B., C.R.A. taxes, pension, and vacation pay. Some parent councils within the school division have their lunch programs administered by outside agencies. This allows those parent councils to focus on council work vs. running a business with all the associated responsibilities.

All students staying at school at lunch must be registered.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

All payments are due on the 20th of the preceding month (this aligns with the Child Tax Benefit payment).

Lunch Program fees cover program costs only. They do not cover food, snacks, or drinks from the canteen. These must be purchased separately.

A \$5.00 late fee will be applied at the end of the first week of non-payment and a flat \$10.00 fee will be applied after that. Late fees must be paid with the monthly fees.

LUNCH PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS:

Please be advised that microwaves will not be available. Milk is to be consumed within the lunch hour. Please do not bring milk home that has been sitting in lunch kits. As well, milk is not to be shared by students.

WHAT MAKES ÉCOLE LANSDOWNE'S LUNCH PROGRAM DIFFERENT?

Many lunch programs cap registration to a specific number of children - some on a first-come, first-served basis and some strictly on need (only those who can prove this need are permitted to enroll, for example both parents work and no one is able to pick up their child). **No other school in the W.S.D. has a Lunch Program with no registration cap and a coordinator onsite 6 hours per day, 5 days per week.**

The École Lansdowne Lunch Program is the **cheapest within the W.S.D.** with no rate increase in over 4 years. The monthly cost is \$24 per student (just \$1.20 per day!), and less if there are more than 2 students per family. The **cost per day works out to \$1.20 per student.** Daily fresh milk can also be added at a monthly cost of just \$6.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Lunch Program Coordinator makes every effort to contact parents regarding payment and late payments. The L.P.C. understands that unexpected things happen which could cause short-term financial difficulties. Please contact the Coordinator to discuss options, as arrangements can be made. Refusal to acknowledge letters or phone calls will result in removal of the child(ren) from the Lunch Program.

All concerns related to the program must first be discussed with the Coordinator before involving the L.P.C.

..... Please refer to your Lunch Program information form for more information.

SEPTEMBER MENU

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 No School (Labour Day)	3 No School (Admin. Day)	4	5	6
9	10	11 Mac & Cheese 	12	13 Grilled Cheese 
16  Chicken Burger	17	18 Mac & Cheese 	19	20 Grilled Cheese 
23  Chicken Burger	24	25 Mac & Cheese 	26	27 Grilled Cheese 
30 No School (National Day for Truth & Reconciliation)				

IMPORTANT DATES 2024-2025

SEPTEMBER

- 2 - **NO SCHOOL (Labour Day)**
- 3 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 4 - Grades 1-8 First Day of School
N/K Drop-In
- 5 - N/K Staggered Start
Assembly @ 9:30 a.m.
- 6 - N/K Staggered Start
- 9 - N/K Bussing Starts
P.B.I.S. Common Area Training
- 12 - BBQ from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- Meet the Teacher from 5:00-6:00 p.m.
- 20 - French Movie/Activity Afternoon
Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 27 - Orange Shirt Day
- 30 - **NO SCHOOL**
(National Day for Truth & Reconciliation)

OCTOBER

- 8 - Picture Day
- 9 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 11 - Bus Ridership
- 14 - **NO SCHOOL (Thanksgiving Day)**
- 18 - Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 24 - Immunization Clinic Grade 6 & 8
Halloween Dance K-3
- 25 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**

NOVEMBER

- 5 - Picture Retakes
- 11 - **NO SCHOOL (Remembrance Day)**
- 15 - Report Cards Go Home
- 20 - N/K Tri-Conferences 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- 21 - Tri-Conferences 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- N/K 3:00-7:00 p.m.
- Scholastic Book Fair
- 22 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- Tri Conferences 8:30-11:00 a.m.
- Scholastic Book Fair
- 25-28 - Hearing Screening
- 29 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

DECEMBER

- 10 - N/K Winter Concert (10:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.)
- 11 - Gr. 1-3 Winter Concert Rehearsal (12:30 p.m.)
- 12 - Gr. 1-3 Winter Concert @ 12:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.
- 20 - **Last Day Before Winter Break**
- Lansdowne Spirit Day

JANUARY

- 6 - **School Reopens**
- 24 - Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 31 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**

FEBRUARY

I LOVE TO READ MONTH

- 17 - **NO SCHOOL (Louis Riel Day)**
- 18-21 - Festival Week
- 20 - Festival du Voyageur Activity Day
- 28 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

MARCH

- 14 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 18 - Spring Photos
- 26 - Report Cards Go Home
- 28 - **Last Day Before Spring Break**
- Lansdowne Spirit Day

APRIL

- 7 - School Reopens
- 8 - P.B.I.S. Common Area Training
- 9 - International Day of Pink
- 11 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 17 - Celebration of Learning (4:00-7:30 p.m.)
- 18 - **NO SCHOOL (Good Friday)**
- 25 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

MAY

- 1 - Bus Ridership
- 9 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 12 - Gr. 4-6 Concert Rehearsal
- 13 - Gr. 4-6 Concert (12:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.)
- 14 - Junior High Outdoor Track and Field
- 16 - Walk-a-thon
- 19 - **NO SCHOOL (Victoria Day)**
- 22 - Junior High Outdoor Track and Field
- 28 - Band 7/8 Concert 6:00 p.m. (12:30 p.m. Rehearsal)
- 30 - Lansdowne Spirit Day

JUNE

- 6 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 23 - **NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)**
- 24 - Gr. 8 Farewell (9:30 a.m.)
- 25 - Report Cards Sent Home
- 26 - Last Day for N/K Students
- Lansdowne Spirit Day
- 27 - **Last Day of School**
- **Early Dismissal at 10:55 a.m.**

September 2024

ÉCOLE LANSDOWNE

715 WIGINTON STREET, R2X 2G2
204-338-7039 FAX: 204-334-3561







TRANSPORTATION:

204-586-8800

SAFE ARRIVAL ABSENCE REPORTING :

1-855-278-4513

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2	Day 1 3	Day 2 4	Day 3 5	Day 4 6
NO SCHOOL (Labour Day)	NO SCHOOL (Admin. Day)	 <p>First Day of School for Grades 1-8 N/K Drop in</p>	N/K Staggered Start	N/K Staggered Start
Day 5 9	Day 6 10	Day 1 11	Day 2 12	Day 3 13
First Day of Bussing for N/K		JH Cross Country @ Kildonan Park	Meet the Teacher/ Community BBQ (4:00-6:00 p.m.) 	
Day 4 16	Day 5 17	Day 6 18	Day 1 19	Day 2 20
		JH Cross Country @ Churchill Park		 Lansdowne Spirit Day
Day 3 23	Day 4 24	Day 5 25	Day 6 26	Day 1 27
LPC Meeting @ 6:30 p.m.		JH Cross Country @ Old Ex Grounds		 Orange Shirt Day

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NO SCHOOL

Truth and
Reconciliation Day



Looking Ahead to October:

Wednesday, October 9th- **NO SCHOOL** (Admin. Day)
Monday, October 14th- **NO SCHOOL** (Thanksgiving Day)
Friday, October 25th- **NO SCHOOL** (Admin. Day)