SHAUGHNESSY PARK SCHOOL

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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Administrator's Message

Dear Shaughnessy Families, Welcome to the 2023 - 2024 school year!

Welcome back to our returning students and families. I hope you all had a great summer break!

Our dedicated Shaughnessy School staff have been working hard over the last few weeks preparing for the return of your children. Thank you to all staff who have been preparing for another great school year!

Many thanks to our wonderful custodians and office staff for their great effort and hard work over the summer months!

September is a time where we get to welcome new staff to our community! Please join us in welcoming the following new members to our team: Ms. Ngobole-Kilbrai (Nursery/Kindergarten), Ms. Yang (Physical Education) Ms. Janzan (Guidance), and Mr. Ly (Grade 7/8). In addition, Ms. Paran has joined the school as our new vice-principal.

As we enter a new school year, please remember that the Shaughnessy School staff are here to help you! We believe in the strength of our community-school relationship and our common goal of providing your child with meaningful learning in an environment that promotes lifelong learning! Our newsletter, School Messenger, and social media pages will help in keeping families up to date of all the fantastic events at our school.



A few things of note as we have a strong start to the year:

- We are so excited for the year ahead!
- We are finalizing our new codes of conduct for early and middle years and are excited to share them at Meet the Teacher.
- The parking lot is not for student drop off. It is not safe for the students.

Looking forward to connecting with you all throughout the school year,

Ms. Westdal

I hope to see you all at Meet the Teacher this Thursday, September 28th!

SCHOOL ROUTINES

Bells Ring At:

8:50 am Student Enter Building (Classes start at 9:00)
12:00 pm Grade 1 - 8 Students Dismissed For Lunch
12:50 pm Students Enter Building (Classes start at 1:00)

3:30 pm Students Dismissed



Note: Nursery & Kindergarten Morning Classes Dismissed at 11:30

If you or a family member is picking up a child at lunch or after school, it is important to arrive on time. Students will only be released to individuals listed as contacts. If you would like to add a contact to your child's records, please contact the office.

STUDENT SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY!

DO NOT use the staff parking lot drop off and pick up your children. There are many cars coming and going as the students are being dismissed. It is not safe for the students. Students **NEED** to use the sidewalk along Chudley Street. We have a crossing guard to help them cross safely.





Nursery & Kindergarten Use the front doors

Grades 1 & 2 Use the back door adjacent to the parking lot

Grades 3 & 4 Use the door on Chudley Street

Grades 5 & 6 Use the small door on Manitoba Avenue

Grades 7 & 8 Use the junior high doors

PLEASE NOTE Everyone is to wait outside the school until the bell rings, dress for the weather!

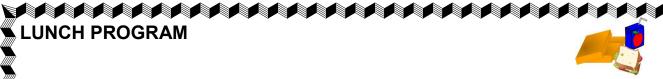
LATE ARRIVALS Please enter through the front doors if you are late. All the doors are locked at 9:15.

Start your day with a healthy breakfast



Just a reminder breakfast program is open daily from 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Children will be going outside after breakfast. Please dress for the weather.

LUNCH PROGRAM



Lunch Program is available for students who have parents that are working or going to school full time.

Spaces available on a first come, first serve basis. The Lunch Program does not provide lunch and the fees are for supervision only. Applications are available on our website or are available in the office.

HOW DO WE KEEP PARENTS INFORMED?



With all the important correspondence being sent out by the school, we have been and will continue to send information to parents and guardians by email.

If you do not have your email address registered or have changed your email address, please let the office know as soon as possible.

Also, please keep your contact information up to date so that school staff are able to contact you in case of emergency. If your phone number, emergency contacts or address has changed please let the school know as soon as possible.

WE NEED TO KNOW IF YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT

Just a reminder that Shaughnessy Park School uses the Safe Arrival system to notify parents of student absences. We are working towards having all absences recorded by parents so they do not receive phone calls. With SafeArrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of these three methods:

- 1. Using your mobile device, download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at https://go.schoolmessenger.ca). The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
- Use the SafeArrival website, https://go.schoolmessenger.ca. The first time you use the website, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance then Report an Absence.
- 3. Call the toll-free number 1-855-278-4513 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These options are available 24 hours/day, 7 days a week. Future absences can be reported at any time.

If you require assistance, please contact the school.

WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS YEAR...

September 5	Admin Day – No school (No School)
September 6	First Day- Students Report to School
September 11	N/K & Specialty Programs Start
September 28	Meet the Teacher
September 29	Picture Day & Enrollment Count Day
October 3	PD Day (No School)
October 9	Thanksgiving (No School)
October 12	Vaccine Clinic
October 20	PD Day (No School)
October 25	Bus Ridership
November 1	Staff Meeting
November 3	Report Cards to Admin
November 10	Remembrance Day Service
November 11	Remembrance Day (No School)
November 13	Reports Cards Go Home
November 16	Evening: Parent/Teacher Nursery to Grade 8
November 17	Parent/Teacher (No School)
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December 5	Staff Meeting
December 20	Winter Concert
December 21	Santa Breakfast
December 22	Last Day of School Before Winter Break
December 25 – January 5	WINTER BREAK
January 8	School Opens
January 9	Staff Meeting
January 15	PD Day (No School)
February 2	PD Day (No School)
February 6	Staff Meeting
February 19	Louis Riel Day (No School)
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March 1	Report Cards to Admin
March 5	Staff Meeting
March 11	Report Cards Go Home
March 14	Evening: Student Led Conferences N – 8
March 15	Student Led Conferences N – 8,
	PD Day (No School)
March 22	Band Concert &Last Day of School Before Spring Break
March 25-29	SPRING BREAK
April 1	School Opens
April 2	Staff Meeting
April 19	PD Day (No School)
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April 23	Bus Ridership
May 6	PD Day (No School)
May 7	Staff Meeting
May 20	Victoria Day (No School)
May 30	Spring Concert
June 4	Staff Meeting
June 13	Report Cards to Admin
June 16	PD Day (No School)
June TBA	Grades 5/6 Track & Field
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June 20	Nursery/Kindergarten Celebration
June 21	Nursery/Kindergarten Celebration
June 22	Grades 1 – 7 Awards
June 23	Grade 8 - Farewell
June 24	Report Cards Go Home
June 30	Last day of school before Summer Break

