



ÉCOLE WATERFORD SPRINGS SCHOOL

September & October 2025 Newsletter

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Welcome back to school!

Whether you are already a part of the École Waterford Springs School Community or you are new to École Waterford Springs School, it is great to have all of you as part of our school family!

This coming week, the teachers and staff at Ecole Waterford Springs School will spend time teaching students about common expectations throughout the building. Our school uses a system for encouraging positive behaviours in the classroom and common areas (gym, library) called PBIS (Positive Behaviour—Interventions and Strategies). Our school expectations are: Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be Responsible.

A lot of communication will happen with parents through email or through Seesaw or Google Classroom with teachers. Please make sure that the office has your updated contact information, including email address and phone number throughout the year.

Our school day begins with the 8:50 am morning bell. There is no supervision before 8:30, therefore for safety reasons, students should not arrive before 8:30.

Our lunch hour is between 12:00pm and 12:55 pm. All students who are not in the Lunch Program are asked to be off of school property until 12:50pm as there is no outdoor supervision. The day ends for all students at 3:30 pm.

Your child's teacher is always your first point of contact. If ever you have a question or a concern, please reach out to them at the school or by email. All teachers have created outlines of their year (what your child will be learning, classroom procedures, etc.) that will go home to families over the coming days.

Students are not to bring cell phones to school as students are not permitted to use cell phones during the school day. We want students to be present and actively engaged in their learning and minimize distractions. Please remind your child to leave the cell phone at home. Your child will be able to use a school phone if they need to contact you. We appreciate your support with this.

We also remind parents that pick up and drop off is outside at the back of the school. Please do not enter through the front doors and wait in the front foyer. Students will be walked outside at dismissal times by their teachers. For safety reasons we need to avoid the crowds and congestion in the front hallways.

We had a few electric scooter accidents last year outside around the school building. We respectfully ask that electric scooters be left at home and not used for student transportation. This is for the safety of all 900 students and their parents. Thank you for working collaboratively with us to keep everyone safe!

We are partners in your child's education, and we look forward to a rewarding and enjoyable year!

Sincerely,

Nelia Husack

Principal École Waterford Springs School



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

School Safety.

Each year we are required to practice elements of our school safety plan. 10 fire drills are practiced which works out to one per month, 3 lockdown drills, and 3 hold and secure drills, one each in the fall, winter and spring.

Lockdown would be used to secure the interior of the school if a potentially dangerous intruder enters the building.

Hold and secure would be used in case something was happening outside of the school, either on school grounds or in the nearby community. All doors would be locked so that no one would come into the building. Regular routines would continue in the school.

Personal Information Updates/Changes

Please let us know by email at >waterfordsprings@wsd1.org< if you have any changes to your child(ren)'s information i.e. phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, etc.

Medical Concerns

Please let us know by email at >waterfordsprings@wsd1.org< if your child has any allergies that require an Epi-Pen or asthma as some forms will need to be filled out.

Peanut, Nut & Scent Free

We are a Peanut and Nut free school. There are students and staff here who have severe allergies. When making lunches for your children please take this into consideration.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONTINUED..

Parking in the entrance to the school loop is a huge safety concern for all of our students and families. We want to keep everyone safe, so let's all work together and be respectful.

Please avoid parking in the staff parking lot as this is a safety concern for students as well as staff.

All grades 1-8 students will go to the back school field (south side) when they arrive in the morning and school staff will assist in directing students to the field after 8:30am. There will be no supervision before 8:30am. Students will enter the school from the field at 8:50am when the bell rings.

Nursery and Kindergarten students will use the north doors near their classrooms for arrival and dismissal times. If any students arrive after 9:00AM, please come to the front doors and check in at the office.

After lunch students will enter the building from the school field (south side) at 12:55pm when the bell rings.



Safe Arrival: Reporting Your Child's Absence

Please use one of the following methods to report your child's absence:

- **Phone: 1-855-278-4513** - *Call the toll-free, interactive telephone system*
- **Website: <https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>** - *Set up your Parent Portal account then log in*
- **Mobile App: School Messenger** - *After setting up your Parent Portal account online, download the Apple or Android app from your app store and log in*

If you report an absence in advance or before the morning bell time at **9:00 AM**, you will not receive a call. Safe Arrival attempts to contact parents/guardians at multiple contact numbers until the designated contact(s) is/are reached.

[Parent Guide](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

School Supply Lists

School Supply Lists - Waterford Springs School

ÉWSS Lunch Program 2025-2026

The purpose of the Lunch Program is to provide adult supervision to registered students who live more than 10 minutes from the school or have no one at home over the lunch hour. Students must bring their own lunch daily. If your child(ren) prefers a hot lunch, please use a thermos and do not drop off their lunch before lunchtime.

The school will no longer be accepting lunch deliveries from Skip the Dishes, Uber Eats, DoorDash etc. Please ensure that you are sending lunch with your child(ren) in the morning.

Junior High students will be required to go home for lunch if they live within a 10-minute or less walk from the school as per Google Maps. If your child lives further than 10 minutes, then they would qualify to be registered in the lunch program, if it is required.

To register your child for the lunch program if you haven't already, follow the appropriate link:

[Elementary Lunch Program Online Registration Form](#) - Grade 1 - 6

[Junior High Lunch Program Online Registration Form](#) - Grade 7 - 8

If you have questions about École Waterford Spring School's lunch program, please email wsslunchprogram@wsd1.org

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CALENDER OF EVENTS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

September 2025		January 2026	
1	Labour Day—School Closed	5	Classes Resume after Winter Break—Day 5
2	Administrative Day—NO CLASSES	February	
2	Meet the Teacher Grades 1-8—3:00pm-5:00pm	2	PD Day—NO CLASSES
3	First Day for Grades 1-8—Day 2	10-12	Mobile Vision Clinic
3-5	Nursery & Kindergarten Interviews All Day	16	Louis Riel Day—School Closed
8	First Day for Nursery/Kindergarten—Day 5	17-20	Festival du Voyageur/French Week
17 & 19	Picture Days	March	
29	Non-Instructional Day—NO CLASSES	17	Report Cards Emailed Home
30	Truth and Reconciliation Day—School Closed	19	Class Photos Evening PT Conferences 3:45PM—8:00PM
October		20	Parent Teacher Conferences—NO CLASSES
8	WSD PD Day—NO CLASSES	27	Last Day of Classes before Spring Break
13	Thanksgiving—School Closed	Spring Break ~ March 30—April 3	
20	Diwali	April	
21-23	Kindergarten Hearing Screening	6	Classes Resume after Spring Break—Day 4
24	MTS PD Day—NO CLASSES	10	PD Day—NO CLASSES
28	Grade 6 Immunizations	22	Happy Earth Day!
31	Halloween	May	
November		8	PD Day—NO CLASSES
11	Remembrance Day—School Closed	18	Victoria Day—School Closed
18	Report Cards Emailed Home	June	
20	Picture Retakes Evening PT Conferences 3:45PM—8:00PM	21	National Indigenous Peoples Day
21	Parent Teacher Conferences—NO CLASSES	23	Report Cards Emailed Home
December		25	Grade 8 Farewell
19	Last Day of Classes before Winter Break	26	Administrative Day—NO CLASSES
Winter Break ~ Dec 22, 2025—Jan 2, 2026		30	Last Day of School—11:30 A.M Dismissal