École LaVérendrye

September 2024



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Message from the Principal

Bienvenue - Welcome Back!

I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer full of fun, laughter, and great memory-making moments.

Our staff have been working very hard preparing to welcome back your children for the upcoming school year, and we are looking forward to seeing students and families as they return for another great year of learning.

I would like to extend a HUGE thank you to our custodians for all their hard work during the summer months preparing our learning spaces for September. Because of their efforts, the school looks FABULOUS and is ready to welcome everyone for our first day of school.

Note: Our school office is open from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, closed for lunch from 12:30 p.m. -1:30 p.m.

Staff at École LaVérendrye are committed to providing a safe, caring and stimulating learning environment that fosters the academic, social-emotional, and physical development of each child. A strong partnership among students, parents, and the school will result in many gains for your children. We encourage open and productive communication throughout the year. If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please contact your child's teacher, or myself, through email or by phone at the school.

WELCOME

TO ALL

Warm wishes. Mme Amanda Capina **Directrice/ Principal**

STAFF LIST FOR 2024–2025

ADMINISTRATION

MME CAPINA PRINCIPAL

ROOM#	TEACHING S	<u>TAFF</u>
13	MME CARTY	NURSERY / KINDERGARTEN
16	MME TURENNE	GRADE 1/2
17	MME ZMIT	GRADE 1/2
12	MME MARSHALL	GRADE 1/2
11	MME SMITH	GRADE 2/3
26	MME GALLANT	GRADE 3/4
21	M. OLIVIER	GRADE 3/4
28	M. CARTER	GRADE 3/4
22	MME BAILEY	GRADE 5/6
23	MME SYLVIE	GRADE 5/6
16	MME ALLARY	IERT
7	MME HUGGINS	LEARNING SUPPORT
GYM	M. BOATENG	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
104	MME SHAYLA	MUSIC

SUPPORT STAFF

MME CHANTAL	HEAD CLERK
MME GINETTE	LIBRARY TECH
MME PAISLI	EA
MME CATHERINE	EA
MR. RON	HEAD CUSTODIAN
MR. GARY	CUSTODIAN
MS KERAGH	CUSTODIAN

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

We are collecting \$40.00 per student for school supplies. We ask that payment be made by October 1, 2024. Please send an e-transfer to lav@wsdl.org; please include your child's name and "school supplies" in the memo line. Cash or cheque will also be accepted and can be handed in to your child's classroom teacher.

The money may be used to supply such things as:

- Pencils, Pens, Erasers, Pencil Sharpeners, Pencil Cases
- Rulers, Scissors, Markers, Pencil Crayons, Wax Crayons
- Highlighters, Liquid Glue, Lined Paper, Duotangs, Notebooks, Labels, Tissues
- Communication Bags, Art supplies
- and subject related materials necessary for experiments and projects..

BALANCED SCHOOL DAY

The Board of Trustees has approved our proposal to move to a balanced school day model for the 2024–2025 school year! The balanced school day model will be implemented for students in grades 1–6. Nursery and Kindergarten students will not be impacted by this change and will continue to follow the current model (8:30am–11:00am / 12:30pm–3:00pm).

A balanced school day will look like this:

SCHEDULE

Entry bell
Instructional time
Morning activity/nutrition break
Instructional time
Afternoon activity/nutrition break
Instructional time
Dismissal

TIME

8:20a.m. 8:30a.m. - 10:00a.m. 10:00a.m. - 11:00a.m. 11:00a.m. - 12:30p.m. 12:30p.m. - 1:30p.m. 1:30p.m. - 3:00p.m. 3:00p.m.

LUNCH PROGRAM

The Winnipeg School Division has extended their pilot to waive lunch program fees for families this year. We are treating the 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. afternoon break as our lunch hour and supervision will be provided free-of-charge. There is no need to register. Please send your child(ren) to school with a nutritious bagged lunch and the cutlery they need to eat it.

If your child will not be staying at school for lunch, please let their classroom teacher know.

HOT LUNCH

Hot lunches presented by École Lavérendrye Parent Council, coming to École Lavérendrye through Healthy Hunger! Create an account at <u>healthyhunger.ca</u> and order a fun lunch for your child or yourself.

First lunch will be Friday September 27, 2024 - SUBWAY - order deadline Saturday September 21, 2024

Questions: please contact Renée at neebob91@hotmail.com

OFFICE HOURS

MORNING

7:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

<u>AFTERNOON</u> 1 :30 P.M. – 3 :45 P.M.

<u>Please note</u>: the office will be closed daily for lunch from 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Phones will be forwarded to voicemail during this time. If you need to get a message to your child, please get ahold of us before or after this time. You may also email the school at lav@wsd1.org at any time and we will get back to you as soon as possible!

STUDENTS LATE FOR SCHOOL

If your child arrives late, please drop them off at the main Lilac St. doors. If it is after the morning announcements, please remind them to check in with Mme Chantal at the office to avoid a call home. We use late slips to communicate between the office and the classroom teacher that the student has checked in.

HOW TO LET US KNOW IF YOUR CHILD WON'T BE AT SCHOOL

SAFE ARRIVAL - ABSENCE REPORTING SYSTEM

What is Safe Arrival?

Safe Arrival is an absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence.

School Messenger / Safe Arrival App (Free)

- 1. Provide your email address to the school.
- 2. Get the app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store.
- 3. Tap Sign Up to create your account.
- 4. Select Attendance from the menu, and then select Report and Absence.

Web and Mobile Web option: go.schoolmessenger.com

- 1. Provide your email address to the school.
- 2. Go to the website.
- 3. Click Sign Up to create your account.
- 4. Select Attendance from the menu, then select Report and Absence.

The school does attendance twice a day - at 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

If your child(ren) is/are marked absent from their class and and absence was not added onto the Safe Arrival system, you will receive an email and an automated call from the system.

PICK-UP and DROP-OFF



A gentle reminder that the school parking lot is **reserved parking only**. Every spot is assigned to a staff member in the building, and we kindly ask that parents refrain from entering the parking lot at any time.

LaV GEAR

LaV Gear is now on sale! <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information. Password is: LILAC

Be sure to show off your new gear every Friday when we will be having our LaV Pride Days! We encourage students and staff to wear LaV colours (red and white) or their LaV gear!



Mobile Device Expectations

Recently, Manitoba Education directed all school divisions to revise mobile device policies and practices. Mobile devices include smart phones, smart watches, smart glasses, and tablets*.

Beginning September 4th, the following expectations pertaining to mobile devices will be maintained while learners are on campus:

Early Years & Middle Years (Devices should be left at home, in lockers, or designated areas in schools, like phone hotels)

• Children in K-8 will not be permitted to have mobile devices

WSD invites all families to be partners in this new direction. Mobile devices cause significant disruption to development, learning, and good mental health and we all need to support each other. Devices and many apps are created to be addictive and WSD staff are always engaged in designing powerful experiences for learners that will cultivate joy (passion), love (belonging) and rigour (deep thinking) in all our learners.

As partners, we ask families to help reinforce this new direction and to have open discussions with your children about the impact of mobile devices, apps, and social media. This is an "all hands-on deck" project for our society, and we all need to communicate openly and honestly.

WSD is focused on implementing the new direction in an educative manner, not in a punitive way. We will work with learners and staff to learn about the impacts of apps, social media, and devices and to develop a critical mind related to who gains from our addiction.

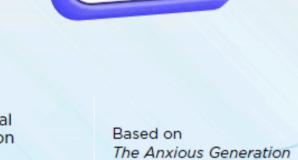
WSD has also purchased 1600 devices this summer and is upgrading its network to ensure that

all learners have access to state-of-the-art technology that is designed to provide opportunities for creation, not consumption. But as an educative community, we are also cognizant of limiting screen time for learners and staff

There may be exceptions for learners who have medical concerns. Please connect with your school principal should your family require an accommodation. In the meantime, I appreciate your partnership as we attempt to put the horse back in the barn and give back the experiences our kids deserve and need.

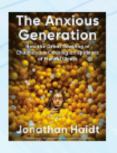
CELL PHONE TIPS FOR FAMILIES

- Turn off screens and remove them from bedrooms 30 to 60 minutes before bedtime
- Learn about parental controls
- Provide clear limits
- Designate some times and places as no-device zones
- Maximize in-person activity and sleep, rather than focusing on total screen hours
- Provide experiences outside with other children
- Provide clear structure to the day and week
- Look for signs of addiction and problematic use
- Delay the opening of social media accounts until 16
- Coordinate with other families to create community expectations
- Talk with your child about the risks, and listen to their thoughts
- Talk to your child's teacher and principal and support the new provincial direction on mobile devices













MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

LABOUR Day	3/DAY 1 SCHOOL OPENS NO CLASSES WELCOME BACK BBQ AT 3:00PM	4/DAY 2 SCHOOL FIRST DAY OF CLASSES	5/DAY3	6/DAY 4 Welcome back Asembly First Day Nursery/ Kindergarten
9/DAY5	10/DAY 6	11/DAY1	12/DAY2	13/DAY3
Parent council Annual General Meeting 7:00 pm	17 / DAY 5	18/DAY 6 ARING SCREEN	19/DAY1	20 / DAY 2 HOT LUNCH TERRY FOX RUN (PM)
23/DAY 3	24/DAY4	25 / DAY 5	26 / DAY 6	ORANGE SHIRT DAY
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NATIONAL DAY				
FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION				
NO SCHOOL				

DATES TO REMEMBER

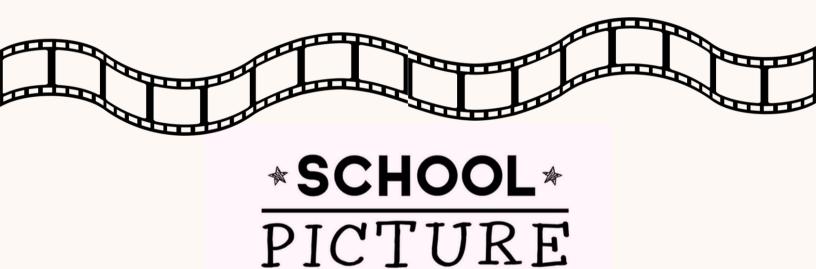
SEPTEMBER 16PAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 17 - 19HEARING SCREENING SEPTEMBER 20TERRY FOX RUN (AFTERNOON) SEPTEMBER 27ORANGE SHIRT DAY SEPTEMBER 30NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILICATION, NO SCHOOL
OCTOBER 9NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL OCOTBER 11PICTURE DAY OCTOBER 14THANKSGIVING DAY, NO SCHOOL OCTOBER 25NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL OCOTBER 28 - 31SPIRIT WEEK! OCTOBER 31HALLOWEEN PARADE (AFTERNOON)
NOVEMBER 1NON INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL NOVEMBER 5
DECEMBER 10WINTER CONCERT GRADES 1-3 DECEMBER 16-20SPIRIT WEEK! DECEMBER 20LAST DAY OF CLASSES DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 3WINTER BREAK

DATES TO REMEMBER

JANUARY 6SCHOOL REOPENS JANUARY 31NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL
FEBRUARY 17LOUIS RIEL DAY, NO SCHOOL FEBRUARY 18 - 21FESTIVAL DU VOYAGEUR / SPIRIT WEEK! FEBRUARY 21PANCAKE BREAKFAST
MARCH 13NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL MARCH 14S.TUDENT-LED CONFERENCES (MORNING) MARCH 24-28SPIRIT WEEK! MARCH 24REPORT CARDS EMAILED HOME MARCH 28REPORT CARDS EMAILED HOME MARCH 28LAST DAY OF CLASSES MARCH 31 - APRIL 4SPRING BREAK
APRIL 7
MAY 8

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 19	VICTORIA DAY, NO SCHOOL
MAY 28	GRADE 6 IMMUNIZATIONS
JUNE 2-6	SPIRIT WEEK!
JUNE 11 - 13	GRADE 6 CAMP
JUNE 25	GRADE 6 FAREWELL
JUNE 26	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY, NO SCHOOL
JUNE 27	LAST DAY OF CLASSES
JUNE 27	EARLY DISMISSAL 11:00 A.M.







OCTOBER 11, 2024

Retake Day: November 20, 2024