

#### Administrator's Message

Fall is upon us and Shaughnessy Park School is buzzing! It is so exciting to see all of our students back and learning! There are so many things to celebrate at Shaughnessy. Learning about Truth and Reconciliation is evident as we walk through the school hallways, students reached their donation goal for the Terry Fox Foundation, students are racing in cross-country running, playing soccer, and joining clubs and engaging in numerous challenging and engaging learning tasks each day.

Shaughnessy Park School is the place to be! We have new staff joining us this year - and we are opening up a brand new classroom! This comes to Shaughnessy Park School as part of our commitment to giving your children the classroom support they deserve.

Please remember to use the **Safe Arrival system for absences**. We want to ensure we are keeping track of all of our amazing students!

There are a number of important dates for October. The school will be closed on:

October 9th – Professional Development for Staff

October 14th – Thanksgiving
October 25th - MTS PD Day

**October 10th** is our first PAC meeting and we hope to see you there!

As we work to keep our students safe, there will be a number of practice drill occurring in the upcoming months. We've already had our first fire drill! Please remember to check in at the office when you enter the building, as another measure to ensure school safety. Parents please wait at the office as your child is brought to you.

You can find us on social media @ShaughnessyPark to keep up to date with many of the exciting things that are happening at Shaughnessy Park!

### This Month at a Glance

Absence Reporting

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For all important correspondence being sent out by the school, we will continue to send information to parents and guardians by email. If your phone number, emergency contacts or address has changed, please let the office know so they may update your information, so that school staff are able to contact you in case of an emergency.



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 Safe Arrival, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance by using any of these methods:

- 1 Using a mobile device, download and install the School Messenger app from the Apple Store or the Google Play Store. The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance, then Report an Absence.
- **2** Use the Safe Arrival website, http://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. Absences can be reported at any time.

## Lunch & Breakfast Program

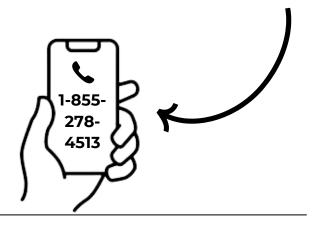
Just a reminder that the breakfast program is open daily from **8:15 am until 8:45 am**. Children will be going outside after breakfast. Please make sure to dress for the weather.

Shaughnessy Park School offers a **free lunch program** for students. It is our hope to start serving a hot lunch during the program sometime this school year!

Shaughnessy Park is dedicated to providing our students with a safe, caring and respectful environment where parents/guardians may choose to have their children supervised over the lunch break.

Electronic devices, including cell phones are not permitted. Students are expected to be in the lunch program and are not to be leaving the school grounds or their supervised areas.

# REPORTING AN ABSENCE?





#### Meet the Guidance Team

At Shaughnessy Park School we believe that every student deserves a supportive environment where they can thrive. Our dedicated team of guidance counselors, Ms. Isfeld, Ms. Neil and Ms. Janzen, are here to help!

Ms. Janzen and Ms. Neil specialize in nurturing emotional well-being and social skills in our younger students, creating a safe space for them to express their feelings and build friendships.

Ms. Isfeld works with our older grades focusing personal growth as they navigate the many challenges of adolescence.

Together, they provide individual and group counseling, lead engaging workshops, and collaborate with teachers and families to ensure every student feels heard, valued, and empowered.

Whether you need help with academic goals, social dynamics, or just someone to talk to, our guidance counselors are here for you every step of the way!

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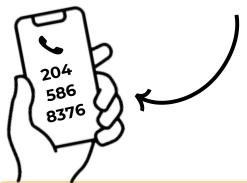
# Indigenous Education Support at Shaughnessy

I would like to take a moment and reintroduce myself to the parents, guardians and community members; my name is Joellee Delaronde and my new role this year at Shaughnessy Park School is the Indigenous Education Support Teacher. My goal in this role is for me to have the opportunity to work with all teachers and staff. I will be consulting, collaborating, coteaching, providing resources, and planning; all while putting your child at the center, which is informed by Indigenous teachings. Overall, what my role will look like depends on the needs of your child and our teachers. I will work endlessly to provide support and guidance where needed. If there are any suggestions as to what you feel your child might need or want to learn or take part, please do not hesitate to contact me here at the school. I look forward to building meaningful relationships with each and every one of you.



#### SHARE YOUR GIFT WITH

### SHAUGHNESSY



I am looking to connect with any parents, guardians or family members who have not yet had an opportunity to share their gifts with staff and students. I am looking at building new connections with parents, guardians, and/or family members to share their abilities of sewing and/or beading drumming, singing, and/or dancing with staff and students. I am looking for people to work with me to help teach others how to create such items. For example, skirts, vests, earrings, necklaces, and maybe bracelets, just to list a few ideas!

If you are interested, please contact me at the school to discuss further



# PARENT ADVISORY MEETING

October

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Come spend some time in the parent goom!

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	<b>1</b> Day 2	<b>2</b> Day 3	3 Day 4 Parent Room Closed	4 Day 5  Parent  Room  Closed
<b>7</b> Day 6	8 Day1  Food Security	9 Day 2 School Closed	PAC Meeting 5:00 PM	Parent Room Closed
School Closed	75 Day 5  Food Security	16 Day 6  Learn  To  Bead 10-12	<b>17</b> Day 1	Parent Room Closed
21 Day 3	22 Day 4  Food Security	23 Day 5 Parent Room Closed	24 Day 6  Nutrition  Bingo 1 - 3:30	25 Day 1 School Closed
28 Day 2	29 Day 3  Food Security	30 Day 4  Learn  To  Bead 10-12	<b>31</b> Day 5	Parent Room Closed