

Welcome Back!



Dear Students, Families, and Staff,

As we step into a new school year, we bring with us the vibrant energy of summer—cherished moments with loved ones, time to rest and recharge, and memories that will continue to inspire us throughout the months ahead.

Together, as a community of learners, we begin this journey with a renewed sense of purpose and connection. We are reminded of the power of belonging and the strength we gain from supporting one another.

Whether you are returning to our school or joining us for the first time, I am delighted to welcome you to a new year filled with opportunities for growth, meaningful learning, and joyful experiences.

This year, we continue to embrace our Division theme of Hope. With hearts open to growth, we look forward to a journey that reflects truth, beauty, and goodness in all that we do. We place our hope in the potential of our students, in the transformative power of learning, and in the guiding presence of God through every challenge and triumph.

A Beginning of the Year Prayer

Loving God,

As we step into this new school year, we place our trust in You.

Fill our hearts with hope—hope that inspires us to dream, to persevere, and to believe in the goodness of each day.

Be with our students as they grow in wisdom and grace.

Be with our families as they support and encourage.

Be with our staff as they teach, guide, and care.

May our school be a place where hope is alive—in our words, in our actions, and in our relationships.

Help us to see Your light in every moment and to share that light with others.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

Please be sure to read the pages that follow for important updates as we start off our year!

Wishing you a joyful and hope-filled start to the school year. May we continue to grow together as a community of learners, guided by faith and inspired by the promise of new beginnings.

Warm regards,

D. Sadownyk Principal



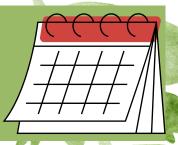


Updates & Reminders...

- Please refer to the letter sent to families on August 25 regarding details for school start up on Sept. 2, including class lists and staggered entry for our Kindergarten families.
- For our new and returning families, communication from our school will continue with bi-weekly
 newsletters being sent via email. Please watch for these newsletters to keep you informed and up to
 date.
- Boston Pizza Hot Lunch! Our first hot lunch date will be on Sept. 26 supported by our Parent Society. Please watch for additional information to place your order.
- Please ensure your contact information on PowerSchool is current and updated, including emergency contact(s).
- Before entering the main building or portable area, we kindly ask that you check in at the office first.
- If your child has any medical conditions that we should be aware of, please contact Ms. Kalynchuk in the office for appropriate forms and procedures.
- School Fees: *We kindly ask school fees to be paid on PowerSchool by Oct. 1, 2025. Fees will be live on PowerSchool on Sept.15, 2025. Please call Ms. Kalynchuk in the office at 780-475-0158 for any questions or arrangements you may need.
- Weather notice! Although we continue to experience warm temperatures, we know that fall is around
 the corner. With colder temperatures eventually making their way, it is important to ensure your child
 is dressed appropriately for school. In the event you need support with fall/winter clothing, please
 contact Ms. Kalynchuk at the office and we can connect you with our Family School Liaison Worker
 (FSLW), Ms. Byng, for additional community supports, including accessing clothing if needed.
- An important message from the office: It is imperative that your school fees and field trip fees be paid only on your Parent Powerschool account. Please note that the SMG parent "Myshopify" email is strictly for fundraisers (i.e. cookie dough, hot lunch) and not for school related fees.
- For all labour related information and FAQs, please visit the division labour update page found here.



September 2 - 12



Monday Sept. 1

Labour Day No School! Tuesday Sept. 2

Welcome Back! Classes Resume Gr.1-6

Staggered entry for Kindergarten Wednesday Sept. 3

Staggered entry for Kindergarten Thursday <u>Sept. 4</u>

Regular programming begins K-6 with dismissal at 12:10pm Friday Sept. 5

Monday Sept. 8 Tuesday Sept. 9 Wednesday Sept. 10

Meet the Staff 6pm Thursday Sept. 11 <u>Friday</u> Sept. 12

Keep informed with additional upcoming dates by visiting our school website

calendar!

Information Page

4 Ways to Report Your Child's Absence:

When creating your account, please ensure to use the same email address and phone number that is used in PowerSchool.

- 1. On your Mobile device, download and install the <u>School Messenger app</u> from the apple store or Google play store.
- When you open the app for the first time, select "Sign Up" to create your account, select attendance, followed by report an absence.
- 2. Using your PowerSchool Parent portal, go to the left hand menu bar and choose School Messenger at the very bottom. Select attendance then report an absence.
- 3. You can also report by telephone: 1-833-525-9071
- 4. You are also still welcome to contact the school directly. (780)-475-0158



POWERSCHOOL - Parent Portal

Please log into your **POWERSCHOOL** parent portal to pay for

School Fees Kinder \$30 & Gr.1-6 \$50 Fieldtrips / Extra Curricular Activities Recorders (If required) Gr. 4-6 \$10 Headphones (If required) Gr. 1-6 \$3.50

We ask that parents refrain from sending cash and kindly use our convenient PowerSchool Parent Portal. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated! If you require assistance, contact Ms. Kalynchuk @ 780-475-0158 as she would be happy to help!

SCHOOL HOURS

First bell: 8:35am Lunch: 12:00-12:37pm Dismissal: 3:15pm Thursday Dismissal: 12:10pm

Please ensure to check into the front office if your child is arriving late. If your child will be absent, kindly contact the office to let Ms.

Kalynchuk know. Thank you for your support!