



McLeod Road Traditional School

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McLeod Road Newsletter #1 – September 5, 2021

Welcome Back to school! We hope you all had a wonderful summer! We are all excited to be getting back to school and are looking forward to working alongside our students again. It is going to be a great year and we are happy to be able to have a somewhat normal year. We would like to welcome all of our new and returning families!!

First Day Procedures

As you already know, school begins on Tuesday, September 7th. **Grade 1-7 students attend from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.** Students have already been assigned to teachers and class lists have been made. Students will meet their teachers on the grass field and will be taken into their classrooms to take attendance and welcome everyone back. An email will be sent to you shortly to inform you of your child's teacher for this year. Signs will be posted up as well on Tuesday morning. Students will be dismissed from the field at the end of their day. Full day attendance (8:30 – 2:30) begins Wednesday, Sept. 8th.

Kindergarten students will follow their Gradual Entry Schedule and meet their teacher at the west side of the school by the staff parking lot.

Group A - 10:00 – 10:30
Group B - 10:45 – 11:15

School Supplies

School supply lists for all grades are posted on our website. If you have already bought your school supplies from School Start or on your own, please have your child bring them to school the first day. Teachers will give direction regarding the supplies after that.

Bell Schedule

8:25	First bell
8:30	Morning instructional session starts
10:15	Recess
10:30	Instruction continues
11:45-12:00	Lunch (students eat lunch in classrooms)
12:00-12:25	Students play outside
12:30	Afternoon instructional session starts
2:30	Dismissal

Please ensure that your child is at school on time **before 8:25 am.**

Return to School Procedures

As we plan for the return of students, we have been guided by our shared commitment to ensure the safety of all members of our school community. Students will be reminded of the importance of following guidelines around wearing masks, frequent hand washing, and staying home if they are feeling sick.

Important Health and Safety Procedures and Routines

- **Parents and caregivers are responsible to assess their children each day before going to school.** If your child is experiencing symptoms of common cold, influenza, Covid-19, or other infectious respiratory disease, **please keep your child home until there has been an assessment by a health care provider AND the symptoms have resolved.**
- Access to our building will be limited to students and staff unless arrangements have been made through the office. Please call the office if you need to make an appointment.
- Please send your child to school with all items needed for the day. No items or lunches should be dropped off at the office during the school day. (students bring mask, full water bottle, backpack, and lunch and snacks every day)
- Physical contact will continue to be discouraged, as we must all respect others' personal space.
- Regular and frequent hand washing and hand sanitizing will be occurring.
- Reduced hallway traffic with directional arrows are in place.
- Masks are mandatory inside for all staff and students in Grades 4-7. Masks are strongly encouraged for K-3 students.
- Daily cleaning and disinfecting will occur.
- No sharing of food of any kind.
- Ensure your child arrives to school on time each day, and **limit early pick up times.**

We are very much looking forward to starting a new school year. Please call the school if you have any questions or concerns. I am always available for you should you need anything.

Sincerely,

Ms. Reena Chohan
Principal