École Élémentaire MARTHA CURRIE Elementary School



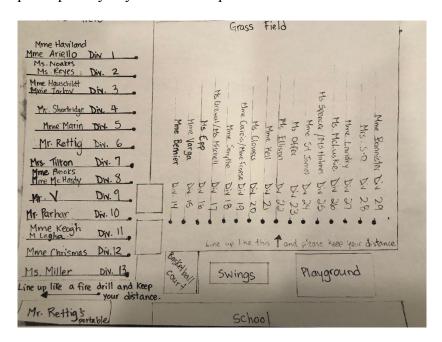
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To the Parents/Guardians of Martha Currie Students,

We are ready for the next chapter in this unusal year! Thanks to the very hard work of our staff, we are prepared to move from full remote learning to partial in-school learning. Please look back at the Tuesday, May 26th Parent Update for complete information about our plans for June. We will use this time to remind you of a few key points:

-Students will line up in the back fields (primary on grass, intermediate on gravel) for drop-off and pick-up every day. Here's a map of what it will look like:



- -Please ensure your child is on time (8:30am) to start the day and that you are on time (2:30pm) for pickup. Please leave the premises immediately, as we are still under pandemic regulations.
 - -If your child arrives late, please send him/her to the office (entering on their own)
- -For our ESW students, we will provide childcare half an hour before and after school.
 - *Please see page 2 for more information
- -You will <u>only</u> need to call the school to let us know your child will be away if it is a day he/she is scheduled to be here.
- *Please do NOT enter the building yourself unless you have an emergency or permission.
 - -If you have permission to enter, please ONLY use the front door and sign-in at the office.
- -Remember to send everything your classroom teacher requests on a daily basis. These will be taken home every afternoon.
 - -This includes lunches and water bottles. Please do not drop them off.

Decision to Send Your Child:

- -While we truly look forward to having our students back in the school, we respect all families who have made the decision to keep their child at home.
- -If your child is scheduled to start school, but you change your mind, please let the classroom teacher know right away.
- *If you decided to keep your child at home but change your mind, please do NOT send the student unannounced. You must pre-schedule this with the classroom teacher. Decisions have been made based on the expected number of students, and we must respect the attendance thresholds given by the Ministry.

Health and Safety Reminders:

- -As you are aware, we have many health and safety protocols in place.
- -We ask that you help by doing the following:
 - -have your child use the toilet before school
 - -have your child wash their hands before coming to school
 - -reinforce the importance of washing hands and keeping socially distant
- *Please remember that parents/guardians are responsible for checking the health of their children EACH day. Please do NOT send your child to school if he/she is feeling ill until there has been an assessment by a health care provider AND the symptoms have resolved. We are all in this together!

Wednesday Students:

For students who are scheduled to come to school on Wednesdays, here is information about what to expect:

- -Please DROP-OFF your child by the OUTSIDE DOOR of the Cafeteria (close to the basketball court) no later than 8:30am.
- -Please PICK-UP your child by the same outside door of the Cafeteria no later than 3:00pm.
- -Our support staff will supervise the students all day, as the students continue the work that their classroom teachers have set up for them.
- -Lunch will be outside at 11:45-12:15
 - -Please remember to send snacks, lunch, and a water bottle with them in the morning.
- -They will come inside to eat at 12:15

Care Before and After School:

- -The parents of the ESW children who require supervision before (8:00am) and after (3:00pm) school have been contacted. If you were not contacted but require the care, please call our office staff on Monday morning.
- -They will be supervised in the Cafeteria (or outside in that area) by our support staff.
- -For those students, in the morning:
- *please take your child to the OUTSIDE door of the Cafeteria (close to the basketball court) at 8:00am. The support staff will take them to their assigned division locations before 8:30am.

In the afternoon:

*Please pick up your child from the same are (outside door of Cafeteria) at 3:00pm. Please do not be late.

Parking:

We will continue to have the same parking rules that we have had all year:

-Parking lot is for staff only and for families with medical exemptions

-The pullout on 184^{th} will continue to be a drop off only zone from 8:20-8:30 each morning, please do not park there between those times

Other Information:

- -On Tuesday, we posted information on our website about Ready-Set-Learn. If you know any families with pre-schoolers, please encourage them to take a look.
- -On Wednesday, our kindergareten team sent out our Welcome to K package to our future Martha Currie members.
- -Today, we have posted the 2020-21 Calendar. As you know, the pandemic can cause changes, but at least we have the plans in place.
- -We would like to wish Mr. J. Rettig the best as he takes a Family Leave.
- -We would like to welcome back Ms. K. Albertson, who will be teaching Div. 6 in June.
- -The PAC AGM originally scheduled for the end of May has been postponed until further notice.

With that, we look forward to seeing the adventures we find next week. It is new for all of us, so please be patient as we sort out any unforeseen details. We have a lot of confidence that our staff will make this a great experience. See some of your kids on Monday!

Sincerely,
Bobby Samra and Rachel Ladd
(Principal) (Vice-Principal)