



École Élémentaire MARTHA CURRIE Elementary School

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To the Parents/Guardians of Martha Currie Students,

We know that many of you are thinking hard about your options for next year, so we thought we would send you an overview of everything to help you prepare for next week and beyond.

Two Options:

- 1) Most of our families will be returning for Face-to-Face learning. We will address you on page two.
- OR 2) Families may decide (by Sept. 8 at 4:00pm) to do the Blended Model program instead.
 - *You must choose one or the other to remain at Martha Currie.

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE DOING THE BLENDED MODEL LEARNING:

For the families who are choosing the Blended Model, here is the info again:

- These students will be learning online every morning with a set teacher (or job-share teachers).
- This group is a multi-aged cohort.
- Over the next few weeks/months, these students will have the OPTION of coming into the school in the afternoon. It will start one afternoon per week and increase up to three afternoons per week.
 - Those afternoons will be with the same teacher and the same group of online students.
- We do not yet know who will be teaching this.
- Depending on numbers, it is possible that the students may be in a 'regional' cohort (ie: other students from neighbouring schools).
- Parents/Guardians will be expected to play a significant role in supporting your child(ren).
- The deadline to sign-up for Blended Model is 4:00pm on Tuesday, Sept. 8.
- There will be online orientation for this model the week of Sept. 14th – more information to come;
- If your child is in this program, they will have one chance to come back to school full time. That is on January 1st.
- These students remain Martha Currie students.
- French Immersion students will have a French speaking teacher.
- Here is the link to sign up... ONLY sign up ONCE (per student) please:
<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=z-m0CBOBDUK6B1L31N-KzQo9oGcByppIly2iBVxbDO1URjQ5STNaV1ZaRELITjI2UFZBUU9DNERIVS4u>

OR

IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE RETURNING FOR FACE-TO-FACE LEARNING:

We will break down the timeline by grade. Please see the next page for that information.....

KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS:

- Today, you will have received an email that gives you the gradual entry schedule and your temporary groups. Your child will only come to school for one hour in week one:
 - 12:30 – 1:30 Group A – Sept. 10 **OR**
 - 12:30 – 1:30 Group B – Sept. 11
- Please follow the Gradual Entry schedule after that.

GRADES 1, 2, & 3 STUDENTS:

- There will be an orientation for one hour on Sept. 10 **AND** 11 from 9:00am until 10:00am.
 - Please meet on the *grass* field at the back of the school. Teachers will be there directing you.
 - Please remember to line up in a socially distant manner.
- Your child will start coming to school for full days starting Monday, Sept. 14.
 - The Welcome Bell goes at 8:30am
 - School starts at 8:35am.
 - School ends at 2:30pm.

GRADE 4 STUDENTS:

- There will be an orientation for one hour on Sept. 10 **AND** 11 from 9:00am until 10:00am.
 - Please meet on the *gravel* field at the back of the school. Teachers will be there directing you.
 - Please remember to line up in a socially distant manner.
- For ONE day (Monday, Sept. 14th), your child will have a slightly shortened day.
 - On the 14th, school will start at 9:05am. Please be here by 9:00am.
 - School ends at 2:30pm.
- Starting Tuesday, Sept. 15, your child will begin full days.
 - The Welcome Bell goes at 8:30am
 - School starts at 8:35am.
 - School ends at 2:30pm.

GRADES 5, 6, & 7 STUDENTS:

- There will be an orientation for one hour on Sept. 10 **AND** 11 from 11:00am until 12:00pm.
 - Please meet on the *gravel* field at the back of the school. Teachers will be there directing you.
 - Please remember to line up in a socially distant manner.
- For ONE day (Monday, Sept. 14th), your child will have a slightly shortened day.
 - On the 14th, school will start at 9:05am. Please be here by 9:00am.
 - School ends at 2:30pm.
- Starting Tuesday, Sept. 15, your child will begin full days.
 - The Welcome Bell goes at 8:30am
 - School starts at 8:35am.
 - School ends at 2:30pm.

Reminders:

- Once students start on Sept. 10, parents/visitors are not allowed inside the building without an appointment. We are trying to keep everyone as safe as possible. This means that students must come to school with their lunches and all other required items.
- Please do NOT park in the Staff Parking Lot. The lot is for District staff and medically exempt people.

We wish all of you a safe and happy last few days of summer!

Sincerely,

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