

KINDERGARTEN

news



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Virtue: Friendship

Ms. Hughes & Ms. Nagamatsu

We hope everyone had a fun and restorative summer break. Our names are Ms. Hughes and Ms. Nagamatsu, and we are very excited to have all of you in our class this year.

1. Early Dismissal: During the first week of school, September 9th-11th, students will be dismissed at 3:00pm. Regular hours will resume on Monday September 14th with pickup at 3:45pm.

2. Communication: We value open communication between parents and teachers, please feel free to contact us with any questions or general information (contact info. below)

3. Uniform Policy: Please review the uniform policy regarding details of the school uniform. On Monday's students wear their #1 uniform to school for our assemblies! We will follow our summer uniform until Thanksgiving. The blue cardigan is not mandatory for the summer uniform. Walking shoes are acceptable for #1 summer uniform.

4. Sunscreen & Sun Hat: Please help us keep everyone sun safe! Apply sunscreen in the morning before drop off and send your child with a sun hat.

5. Clothing & Labels: Friendly reminder that all items brought to school must be **labelled** clearly. Please ensure your child has a reusable water bottle and appropriate outdoor shoes, along with a spare pair to be kept at school. Please also send a full set of extra clothes in a **labelled** Ziploc bag to be kept at school (can be non-uniform).

6. Snack Containers: Your child **will require a separate snack container (with a lid) and spoon to be sent daily**. These will be used to enjoy our school provided snacks twice daily. If they are participating in the "Real Foods" program, they will also require a lunch box and accompanying utensils daily. It is easiest to carry in a lunch bag.

7. Microsoft Teams: We are excited to continue using Microsoft Teams as SCELS! Here we will post resources to support your child's learning and sign up links for portfolios. The SCELS website will now house the class calendar, and newsletter.

8. Class Lists: Please confirm your information during the first week of school; the lists will be distributed when information is confirmed for every family.

Significant Dates

Sept 7th: Labour Day - No School

Sept 8th: Meet the Teacher Day!

Sept 8th: Audrey's Birthday!

Sept 9th: First Day of School!

Sept 9-11th: *3:00pm dismissal this week*

September 11th: Rosh Hashanah begins

Sept 16th: Curriculum Night 5:30-6:30pm ***No aftercare***

Sept 21st: Picture Day (Summer #1 Dress), wear blue cardigan

Sept 20th: Alex's Birthday!

Sept 22nd: First Day of Fall

Sept 23rd: Lice Squad

Sept 25th: Terry Fox Walk 9:30am

Sept 25th: Sukkot begins

Sept 25th: Pizza Day!

Sept 26th: Ms. Hughes' Birthday!

Sept 28th: Class Picture Day and Solo Picture Day Rain Date (Summer #1 Dress)

Sept 30th: Wear an **Orange** shirt in honour of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

9. Curriculum Night: Parents please join us for our Curriculum Night on Sept 16th from 5:30pm-6:30pm. We will introduce our programs, provide information about our schedules and answer any questions you may have. Please note there will be no After School Care offered on this day.

10. Terry Fox Walk: Each year we celebrate Terry Fox and his inspiring achievements. In honour of the Terry Fox Fundraiser, please send a "Toonie for Terry" on Sept 25th at 9:30am. Volunteers are welcome!

11. Birthdays: A friendly reminder that it is school policy that you do not send in edible treats for your child's birthday! You're welcome to donate a book and read it to the class :)