



Katimavik Elementary School

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School Start-up

Welcome Back! I hope you had a great summer. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide some updates and to remind families of some start up information.

We say farewell to Carolyn Robertson, our office assistant, who has accepted another job. This means that we have a vacancy in the main office. Diane McLaurin will be replacing Carolyn until I hire a replacement. Diane is familiar with KES as she has worked in the office on occasion. As you know, we have a new Office Administrator, Donna Cooke, Harry de Roo has been transferred and we no longer have a Vice-Principal. With all of this change in the main office we ask for your patience as we work through this transition.

We have had some teaching staff changes recently.

- We welcome back **Victoria Castellano** who will teach R5/6A while Sheri Wilson is on leave.
- Carissa Blaseg (Gr. 7) will be on leave and we welcome **Kerri Feres** who will be teaching R7A and Intermediate rotary for the next few months.
- In the Spring I hired **Sara Hildebrand** to teach Junior math and to work in the General Learning Program. Sara has accepted a full-time position at another OCDSB school creating a vacancy.

First Day of School:

School starts on **Tuesday, September 5th, 2017**. Parents/Guardians are welcome to join us at the back yard between 8:30 a.m. and 8:45 a.m. There will be pylons indicating teacher names and class codes. Students can line up behind these pylons. At 8:45a.m., we will welcome students, sing O' Canada, and teachers will lead students into the school.

Meet the Teacher

Mark your calendars: come meet your child's teachers, visit the classroom and school on **Tuesday, September 12, 2017 from 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.**

School Council: School Council Elections will be held on **Wednesday, September 27, 2017**

Staff for 2017-2018 (updated)

Homeroom Teachers

EF4A - Marie Leclerc
R4/5A - Rob Hamm
EF4/5A - Laamea Morbi
EF5A - Janice Goodier
R5/6A - Victoria Castellano (Sheri Wilson)
EF56A - Jamel Touabi
EF6A - Andrew Thorp
R7A - Kerri Feres (Carissa Blaseg)
EF7A - Bruce Gray
EF7/8A - Scott MacLeod
R8A - Jordana Polowin
EF8A - Chantale Hart
Mrs. Reid's Gr. 4 - 6 - Megan Reid
Mrs. Massie's Gr. 5 & 6 - Heather Massie
Mrs. Baker's Gr. 7 & 8 - Lisa Baker

Non-Homeroom Teachers

Junior Math/Rotary - Vacant
Music & Junior Language - Len Ferguson
Junior/Int Math/Rotary - Lindsay Brown
Intermediate Math - Heather Massie
Junior Math/Language - Laura Quirk

Support Staff

Learning Support Teacher - Kim Esdaile
Learning Resource Teacher - Natalie Ramsden
Educational Assistant - Sandy Czempiel
Educational Assistant - Brenda Abbott
Educational Assistant - Darlene Beauchamp
Educational Assistant - Emily Barr

School Operations

Principal - Jeff Gervais
Office Administrator - Donna Cooke
Office Assistant - Vacant (Diane McLaurin)
Library Technician - Margot Leduc
Chief Custodian - Josh Herrick



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School Day 2017-2018

Period 1 (60 min) - 8:45 - 9:45

Period 2 (40 min) - 9:45 - 10:25

Recess - 10:25 - 10:50

Nutritional Snack #1 - 10:50 - 11:10

Period 3 (60 min) - 11:10 - 12:10

Period 4 (40 min) - 12:10 - 12:50

Recess - 12:50 - 1:15

Nutritional snack #2 - 1:15 - 1:35

Period 5 (60 min) - 1:35 - 2:35

Period 6 (40 min) - 2:35 - 3:15

Please continue to send two healthy snacks for both eating times. Students who go home for lunch will continue to do so during the second nutrition break (12:50 p.m.-1:35 p.m.) and require permission to do so. There is a form that can be picked up at the office to grant permission for the year.

Medical Needs

Your child's safety is of utmost concern to us. If your child has a severe life-threatening medical condition, please obtain the appropriate medical form from us, complete and return it to the office. **Other forms regarding medication at school must be completed by you and your child's doctor every school year and brought to the school office in September.** These forms can be found on our school website. Students must have signed medical paperwork to have any medication at school. This includes over-the-counter medication (Tylenol or cough medicines for example) and prescription medicine (like asthma puffers, epipens, or antibiotics). The annual update of this paperwork confirms that the information from your medical practitioner is still valid.

Student Agenda

We will be creating our own student agendas for 2017-2018. Paper copies (in a durable pocket folder) will be supplied to students in grade 4-8. Intermediate students will be focusing on the use of technology to keep organized, but also have access to a paper agenda.

SAVE A TRIP TO THE STORE!

What you need to know about School Supplies: Each school receives funding to provide school supplies essential for student learning. There is no requirement to purchase and provide school supplies throughout the year for your child.

What is supplied?

- **Every student is provided with:** Duo-tangs, notebooks, pencils, pens, white erasers, and other materials required for teaching and learning.
- **Each classroom is supplied with the necessary tools that are shared collectively:** geometry sets, glue, Crayola markers, scissors, grid paper, lined paper, highlighters, etc.
- **Grade 7 & 8 Instrumental Music:** students have access to school owned musical instruments but also have the option to rent or bring their own instrument.



What should be provided by parents/guardians?

- **Students require:** a backpack, a soft zipper pencil case, a lunch bag, and indoor shoes.
- **Students may wish to purchase their own supplies:** It is a parent/guardian's choice (but not required) to send the following items for use by their child for the first day of school in September: pencils, erasers (preferably white), lined paper, ballpoint pens, coloured pencils/markers, and a calculator.

Student Fee

For the **2017-2018** school year there will be requesting a voluntary student fee of **\$ 20 per student** with a family maximum of \$ 40. We will be requesting the voluntary fee during the first week of school.

What will the voluntary student fee cover for 2017-2018?

- Technology for students*
- Physical Education and Daily Physical Activity*
- Social Studies/FNMI Education*