



# Katimavik Elementary School

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## YEAR-END NEWSLETTER:

We've had another great year and I am proud of how much we have accomplished this year. We have a great team of dedicated staff and parents who work hard every day to make KES a great place for teaching and learning. Thank you to our great School Council and all that they have done to support and enhance school programs and to create a strong sense of community. I encourage parents to be part of our School Council to help support the many initiatives they are involved with.

There are a few new staff joining our team next year:

- **Donna Cooke**, is our new Office Administrator
- **Emily Barr**, who currently works at KES, has been hired as a permanent 0.5 EA
- **Sara Hildebrand**, has been hired as a long term occasional teacher and will teach Junior math and support
- **Lindsay Brown**, has been hired to teach Intermediate and Junior math
- **Margot Leduc**, is is our new Library Technician

I am looking forward to next year. I hope you have a fantastic summer and we will see you in September.

## First Day of School:

Generally, changes to enrolment occur over the summer, which can affect the school organization of teachers and class lists. Therefore, class lists are not published ahead of time. **You will receive an email from the school just before the September long weekend with your child's homeroom teacher and instructions for the first day of school.** Class lists will not be posted outside on the first day of school, but school staff will be outside to assist students. Parents are welcome to accompany children to the yard that morning for opening remarks and the singing of 'O Canada' outside. Please ensure that we have your most up-to-date email contact information.

## Office Hours

The school office will be closed at the end of the day on Friday, June 30th and will reopen Monday, August 28th from 8:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m. The school voice mail is not monitored over the summer. If you have questions please feel free to contact the school Principal at [jeff.gervais@ocdsb.ca](mailto:jeff.gervais@ocdsb.ca). Emails will be monitored occasionally and you should expect a reply starting the week of August 21, 2017.

## 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.

## 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.**



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## Updating Contact Information

Service to families for all issues, including transportation, depends on the school office having accurate information about your phone contact information and address. OSTA uploads this data from the school database. Therefore, if you have a new address and/or phone number (cell, work, home) and haven't updated the school office recently, please send a note to our office with the current details as soon as possible.

**Over the summer, please contact OSTA directly at 613-224-8800, as the school is closed.**



## 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 4-6. Intermediate students will be focusing on the use of technology to keep organized, but have the option of using a paper agenda.

## 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.

## 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.

## KEEP INFORMED

**Website:** [katimavikes.ocdsb.ca](http://katimavikes.ocdsb.ca)

**Twitter account:** [@katimavikschool](https://twitter.com/katimavikschool)





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## Student Fee

The Student Fee this year was \$20 a student (will collect \$4923) and was used to support many activities and experiences for students including Maker Mobile workshops, Hoop Dancing Workshops, Grade 6/7/8 Blanket Exercise, Junior "Talking Stick" workshops with Daniel Richer, and the purchase of Tech tubs and Chromebooks for students. These activities aligned with the three areas of focus for this year:



- *Drama/Dance/Music* - \$1641
- *Social Studies/FNMI* - \$1641
- *Technology* - \$1641

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*

How the money is spent will be reported throughout the year as necessary and to School Council in the spring.

### **What other School Fees might be requested?**

*Over the course of the year you can expect requests for money for other reasons:*

- Field trips to enhance the curriculum. The fees requested are to pay for transportation and admission. Some field trips may be subsidized by the school to keep costs down.
- Competitive school sports teams: If your child makes a school team a small fee is requested to cover costs associated with attending sports

competitions, including transportation in some cases.

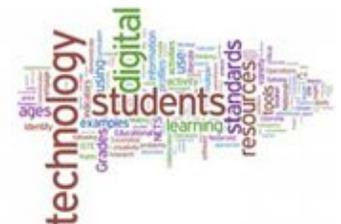
- Fundraising activities – throughout the school year there are various fundraising activities for good causes – this is always optional.
- School Council Fundraising – school council organizes various fundraising activities, including hot lunch programs. The money raised helps support school programs, and is also optional.

## Bring your Own Device: BYOD

In September, detailed information about our 'Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)' policy will be sent home.

### ***For now this is what you need to know:***

- Personal devices are to be brought to school for educational purposes **only** and are to be used or when requested by staff and under the supervision of a staff member.
- There is **absolutely no requirement** for your child to have a personal device at school (i.e. phone)
- Each classroom is supplied with an adequate number of Chromebooks, laptops and access to 4 shared "tech tubs".
- No phone use, texting, photo/video is permitted during school time, including outside at recess or during lunch.



## School Council

Thank you to our school council executive: Megan Venner and Leah Laframboise (Co- Chairs), Teri MacDonald (Secretary), Claudette Nyenhuis (Treasurer) and all the members-at-large for their hard work and organization. Your TIME is valuable and we appreciate your support! School Council Elections will be held on **Wednesday, September 27, 2017**



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## Katimavik Elementary School Staff for 2017-2018

### Homeroom Teachers

EF4A - Marie Leclerc

R4/5A - Rob Hamm

EF4/5A - Laamea Morbi

EF5A - Janice Goodier

R5/6A - Sheri Wilson

EF56A - Jamel Touabi

EF6A - Andrew Thorp

R7A - 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 - Sara Hildebrand

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 - Carolyn Robertson

Library Technician - Margot Leduc

Chief Custodian - Josh Herrick