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### E-Blast

### Week of: September 3<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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Monday, September 3 Labour Day	
Tuesday September 4 Day 1	First Day of School!
Wednesday September 5 Day 2	Expectations Assemblies 9:30 - Primary 10:15 - Junior 11:20 - Intermediate
Thursday September 6 Day 3	
Friday September 7 Day 4	

## Photo Gallery



## Information

**Welcome!:** We look forward to welcoming any new families to our school community and welcoming back our existing families. Our caretakers have worked very hard all summer cleaning and setting up for the new school year and have done an incredible job. Our educators and office staff have been planning and preparing for an engaging and exciting start to the year. We have had some new painting in our Kindergarten area to enhance their outdoor play. Staff have also been in preparing classrooms and are excited to welcome students and hear all about their summer vacation! Please note that we have had a number of registrations and we will be monitoring class sizes during the first few weeks of the school year.

We would like to welcome back, Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Zupnik who are both looking forward to returning from leave. We also welcome back Ms. Williams and Mrs. Raynor who are returning to Rick Hansen and we welcome, Mrs. Izzo and Ms. Bhagowtee who are joining our staff. In the office, we welcome Mrs. Riccardi who is our new secretary.

**First Day of School:** On the first day, staff (identified by orange vests) will be outside to greet families, share class placements and direct students to where they need to be. There will be signs posted high on the walls with teacher names, grades and room numbers. Once students know who their teachers are they will be asked to line up.

**Kindergarten:** Parents of Senior Kindergarten students should bring their children to the Kindergarten tarmac area where staff will help with class placement and the correct drop-off door. Our Junior Kindergarten students will be starting at 2:00pm and there will be staff available to support our families in finding their classrooms.

**Inclement Weather and the First Day:** In the event of rain, students in grades 1-5 will go to the gym and students in grades 6-8 will go to the library. Our Kindergarten students will continue to go into the Kindergarten tarmac area.

**School Forms:** Please review the package that will come home next week. It will include important information regarding school council, volunteering, lunch procedures, student verification forms, medical forms if applicable, YRDSB Guide to the School Year etc. All forms are due back to school on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. For classes using agendas, these will be for sale for \$5.00 CASH during the first week.

**Transportation:** Please remember to confirm on <http://www.schoolbuscity.com> if you will be receiving bussing and confirm the bus stop and pick-up/drop-off times. As well, please be reminded that for our Kindergarten and Grade one students there must be a designated adult at the bus stop to meet the student as he/she exits the bus.

**School Assistants Needed:** If you are interested in being a school assistant, applications are available from Mrs. Kingsbury in the office. We are currently seeking assistants to work during our lunch hour from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. Thank you!

## Timetable:

9:00 – Entry bell  
9:10 – Instructional Time  
10:50 – Recess - Gr. 1 to 4 inside,  
Gr. 5 to 8 outside  
11:05 – Recess - Gr. 1 to 4 outside,  
Gr. 5 to 8 inside  
11:20 – Instructional Time  
1:00 – Lunch – Gr. 1 to 4 inside,  
Gr. 5 to 8 outside  
1:30 – Lunch - Gr. 1 to 4 outside,  
Gr. 5 to 8 inside  
2:00 – Instructional Time  
3:40 – End of day bell

## Upcoming Dates:

September 23 PA Day  
September 30 Rosh Hashanah  
October 1 Rosh Hashanah

## Links

[Guide to The School Year 2019-2020](#)

[2019-2020 Calendar](#)