



THEME: I have the right to know the rules; and a responsibility to follow them
THOUGHT: Even if we remain flexible, we need ground rules

BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

August 2022

WELCOME BACK TO LAURENTIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THE FUTURE BEGINS HERE

On behalf of the staff, here at Laurentia Elementary, I would like to welcome back our students. The halls and classes have been empty without you. Your teachers and support staff have anxiously been awaiting your arrival so that they can begin another exciting year with you, filled with learning fun, activities, sports, drama, music and much, much more.

I would also like to welcome back our parents. I look forward to your continued support in our efforts to achieve the best for our students. I wish you all a very successful school year!

Mrs. K. Moore



SCHOOL FEES ARE DUE NOW

FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL—August 31ST— WHO'S MY TEACHER?

- All students will be assigned a **animal** via email. Upon arrival in the school yard students are to find the teacher with the sign of the same **animal**
- The school yard will open at 8:20 for drop-offs and busses
- Parents may accompany their child but must leave once students begin to enter the school with their teachers
- Once the homeroom teachers have all of their students for the class, they will line up in the appropriate spot for their class and enter the building. **ONLY PreKindergarten and Kindergarten parents may enter the school but will be asked to leave once the classes begin.**



COVID RULES FOR SCHOOL

As much as we hope that school will be as normal as possible, we are still fighting Covid, so there are some rules that must be followed so that we stay healthy and safe.

- ◆ All students must disinfect their hands coming into the building, after recess and lunch
- ◆ Water fountains may only be used to fill water bottles therefore all students need to have their own water bottle everyday
- ◆ Visitors who have appointments will be allowed access to the school
- ◆ Rapid tests will be distributed to all families
- ◆ If your child tests positive for Covid, they are to remain at home for 5 days and must wear a mask at school for the following 5 days

THE EMPLOYEE PARKING AREA

The school parking lot was designed for use by school employees - only. Over the last several years our parking lot has become a serious issue.

Because it was designed for the staff, when parents and visitors park in the lot, there is no more room for staff. Further, at the end of the day, parents who park in the lot are often parked in such a way that teachers cannot get out of the parking lot to attend meetings or workshops after school. Finally, it is a security issue for our students and staff. Parking is available on the school-side of Filion Street. Please park on the street when visiting the school. THANK YOU.



END OF DAY PICK UPS

Students who are being picked up at the end of the day will be brought to the side fence on Filion street at approximately 3:15. ALL Laurentia students are accounted for before the busses are dismissed. A teacher will collect the pick-up students, check that they are on the list for pick-up (which means we have a written authorization for the student to be picked up) and once the okay has been given for the busses, pick ups and daycare students, the pick up students will be brought to the side fence on rue Filion

There is no need for students to be signed out and no need for parents to come to school for pick up before 3:10.



HOT LUNCH SERVICE

The hot lunch service will begin as of September 12, 2022. The menu will be distributed to students and posted on the Facebook page during the first week of school. Please be sure to respect the deadline printed on the menu.

School fees are due now. Payment may be made by cash or cheque at the school or via internet bank payment. If you pay through your bank select Sir Wilfrid Laurier School Board, choose school fees and use the internet reference number located on your statement.

Punctuality is Key to Success

Laurentia Elementary School begins at 8:25. Students begin their first class at 8:45. It is very important that students are on time for school.

All announcements and daily routines take place in the first class. When a child is late, they miss important information and school skills.

Please have your children at school before the first class begins.

Thank you



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PICK-UPS

If you are planning to pick up your child from school, please follow the procedure outlined here:

- 1) a note must be sent to THE OFFICE
- 2) Your child will meet you at the side fence of Filion street at **3:15 p.m.** Please do not come early.

- No phone calls will be accepted after **12:00 p.m.**
- Only designated people may pick up a student.
- A person other than a parent or guardian will be asked for identification

