

THEME: ACCEPTANCE
THOUGHT: Accept what is, let go of what was and have faith in what will be.



BACK TO SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2019

WELCOME BACK TO STUDENTS OF LAURENTIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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
Principal



GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

ON SEPTEMBER 12th



5:30 General Assembly to elect parent members to Governing Board & PPO
6:00 Session 1-teachers give an overview of your child's curriculum
6:30 Session 2-teachers give an overview of your child's curriculum
Each curriculum session is the same. You can attend one or the other.

You cannot enter a curriculum session after the start.
Children should NOT be present for this evening event.
Thank you for your cooperation.



**SCHOOL FEES ARE DUE.
PLEASE SEND YOUR PAYMENT
TO THE SCHOOL. THANK YOU**



SEVERE ALLERGY ALERT EGGS AND NUTS

WE HAVE STUDENTS WITH SEVERE ALLERGIES TO EGGS AND NUTS. PLEASE REFRAIN FROM INCLUDING THESE ITEMS IN YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH BOX.

NEW & RETURNING STAFF AT LAURENTIA?

We have some new and returning members to our staff. They are:

- Mrs. Luk - Grade 4
- Mrs. Bianca-Grade 4/5
- Mrs. Tina—Grade 2, French, and several other subjects
- Miss Sonja—Resource Teacher

Welcome (or Welcome Back) to our wonderful school. We hope you have a great year at Laurentia.



NEW SCHOOL HOURS AND NEW AFTERNOON RECESS

As per the announcement last year made by the Education Minister, we have added a recess period in the afternoon. In doing this, we were required to change the start, end and lunch times as follows:

- 8:25-students disembark from busses
- 8:35- students enter school and begin the day
- 10:15– first recess
- 12:05—lunch for all students
- 12:55—classes
- 1:55—second recess
- 3:25 dismissal of busses, pick-ups, daycare



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 for drop-off, pick-up or volunteering.

THANK YOU.

END OF DAY PICK UPS

Students who are being picked up at the end of the day will be brought to the front hallway **AFTER THE BUSES HAVE BEEN DISMISSED**—at 3:25. ALL Laurentia students are accounted for before the busses are dismissed. A teacher will collect the pick-up students in the locker area, 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 front hallway. 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 for the third week of September and will include the menu for October. The menu will be distributed and posted on the website during the first week of school. Please be sure to respect the deadline printed on the menu.

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 your child's teacher using the student agenda
- 2) Your child will meet you at the front entrance at **3:25 p.m.** Please do not come early.

- No phone calls will be accepted after **2:00 p.m.**

- Only designated people may pick up a student.

- A person other than a parent or guardian will be asked for identification

