



Pierre de Coubertin School

Newsletter - September 2022



Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome the returning families as well as the new families who have recently joined Pierre de Coubertin School and trusting their children to us. We are a collaborative community with one focus, our children and their future; and sharing one mission: academic proficiency for all students. Education is a partnership that cannot occur without the support of every staff member, the involvement of every parent, and the commitment of every student.

Your child will bring home his/her agenda for this school year in the days to come. Please ensure that, together with your child, you read the rules of conduct. The form on page 17 must be signed and returned to the homeroom teacher. This will indicate that your child understands what is expected of him/her during school hours.

On behalf of all the staff at Pierre de Coubertin School, we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a successful school year.

Life Threatening Food Allergies

Our school community is devoted to the well-being and health of all children, as such, we are a peanut free school. Some of the children who attend our school are extremely allergic to peanuts, nuts and other foods. Parents are asked to omit foods containing nuts and /or peanuts from your child's snacks and meals. These measures are intended above all to provide a safe environment for these children. If there are students who have allergies other than nuts in your child's class, the teachers will send home a notice of the foods that should be omitted from your child's lunch box.

We thank you for your cooperation.

Absences

If your child is absent on a given day, please make sure to call the school to declare the absence. If you call prior to 8:00 am, please leave a message indicating your child's name, class number, and the reason for the absence. You may also use the Mozaik parent portal to inform us of your child's absence.

Safety

Parents are asked **not** to use the school parking lot to drop off or pick up their children or for any other reason. The school parking lot is reserved for the school staff only.

Safety is everyone's concern!

Parking—Bus Zones

The last thing that anyone needs is a parking ticket. Please do not park in the Bus Zone on Valery Street. The area is restricted for busses only.

Parent Information Evening

On Thursday, September 15th, the staff at Pierre de Coubertin School will be having an Information Evening. On this occasion, parents from Cycle 1 to Cycle 3 will meet with their child's teachers to receive important information regarding the competencies that will be targeted for the year, homework assignments, classroom rules and practices. Please make a special effort to attend this evening because you play an important role in cooperating with the school in your child's success. This information session is not meant to be used for personal interviews. We will let you know soon if this session will take place virtually or in person.

School Hours

<i><u>Pre- KINDERGARTEN Entry</u></i>	8:50
Recess & Lunch	9:44 – 10:02 / 11:34 - 12:55 / 2:25 - 2:43
<i><u>KINDERGARTEN</u></i>	
Recess & Lunch	10:02 - 10:22 / 11:34 - 12:55 / 2:07 - 2:27
<i><u>GRADES 1-2-3</u></i>	
Recess – morning	10:02 – 10:22
Lunch	11:52 – 12:55
Recess – afternoon	2:07 - 2:27
<i><u>GRADES 4-5-6</u></i>	
Recess – morning	10:38 – 10:58
Lunch	11:52 – 12:55
Recess – afternoon	2:25 – 2:45

Arrival and Dismissal of Students:

We will have staggered school hours to avoid congestion during entry.

Please follow the schedule below:

Morning Arrival:

- Daycare students will be brought to their class at 8:35am.
- Bus students will arrive at 8:40am. They will disembark and go to their class.
- Walkers will arrive at 8:45am and enter the school on a free entry basis.
 - Grades 1 will enter the school from the Garden door through the park gate entrance.
 - Grades 2-3 will enter the school from the JR door through the park gate entrance.
 - Grade 4-5 & 6 students will enter via the main gate and proceed to the SR entrance - day care entrance.

They will be allowed to enter the school yard as of 8:45am.

We will have staff members on duty till 8:50am to monitor the students' arrival. We ask all parents to respect these times. If your child arrives after 8:50am, please use the front entrance.

Dismissal:

All students will be dismissed at 3:51pm.

- Grades 1-2-3 walkers, will exit from the park gate
- Grades 4-5-6 walkers will exit from the main gate.
- Pre-k and Kindergarten will use the doors leading to the playground. Details will follow when you meet the teachers on August 30 or August 31.
- Closed Classes: information will be given to parents during your set meeting time on August 30 or August 31.

Library Volunteers

Volunteers play an intricate role in the functioning of our school. We ask that if you can spare a few hours a week, please help us out in our library. Our library technician, Mr. Walter Pitman, is looking for library volunteers. If you are interested in helping in the library, please call the school at 514-323-6586 and leave a message for Mr. Walter and he will return your call.

Agenda- School Rules and Policies.

At the start of every year, parents are asked to take the time to read and review with their child(ren) the pages at the front of the agenda in order to understand and discuss the underlying reasons and importance of following school and classroom rules. We count on your support to take the time to read the inserts in the agenda with your child(ren).

Social Media

Pierre de Coubertin is on Facebook! Like our page at <https://www.facebook.com/pdcemsb/> for the latest pictures, videos and much more. For all other questions, please visit our website at <http://www.emsb.qc.ca/pierredecoubertin> where you will find more in-depth information about the school.

Memos

We will send all memos to the email address that was given to us on the child's confidential form. If you have not done so, please make sure to send us the email address of both parents. All memos that require a response will be sent as a hard copy via your child.

School Bus

In the afternoon, attendance is taken for the students taking the bus. If there is a change in your child's dismissal schedule and your child will not be taking the bus on a particular day, please make sure to write a note in the agenda advising the office that your child will not be taking the bus. We need your cooperation in this matter. If there are changes to your child's dismissal, please make sure to call the school prior to 3:00 pm. We will not make changes after that time.

All students who are eligible for busing received an email from the transportation department. Your child may board the bus by showing the driver a copy of the email. When we receive the bus passes, the school secretaries will call you.

Our children's safety is our priority.

Lunch Time

All students will be having lunch in their classroom. Please supply a cloth place mat for lunch. The mat will be returned home daily. If a parent is picking up their child for lunch, it is imperative you write a note in the agenda stating so.

Welcome Back to School Activity

We will be having our Welcome Back to School event on September 6th. The children will be having a fun-filled day playing carnival games and treated to beaver tails.

Best Regards,

Ida Pisano
Principal

Jessica Monti
Vice Principal

