



## Victoria Day/National Patriots' Day

### May 22, 2023

Victoria Day (French: Fête de la Reine, or "Celebration of the Queen") is a federal Canadian public holiday celebrated on the last Monday preceding May 25, in honour of Queen Victoria's birthday.

To learn more visit:

[http://www.softschools.com/facts/holidays/victoria\\_day\\_facts/1586/](http://www.softschools.com/facts/holidays/victoria_day_facts/1586/)

National Patriots' Day is a public holiday in Quebec. National Patriots' Day (Journée nationale des patriotes) is celebrated across Québec to commemorate democracy and patriotic struggles for freedom from the British rule during 1837–1838. The day's commemorations can be traced back to 1937, in which citizens of Saint-Denis-sur-Richelieu organized the 1837 centennial celebrations.

To learn more visit:

<https://www.officeholidays.com/countries/canada/canada-quebec-national-patriots-day.php>

### MAY 2023 EVENTS

- May 1 - Ped Day - School Closed  
Daycare opened  
K4 & K5 orientation day
- May 2 - Grade 6 French exam begins  
PPO virtual meeting at 7:30 pm
- May 3 - HR 213 swimming
- May 8 - HR 217 swimming
- May 9 - HR 218 swimming
- May 11 - Halo Race
- May 12 - Grade 6 English exam begins  
Homeroom 211 swimming  
Movie night
- May 16 - Governing board virtual meeting at 7:00 pm
- May 17 - HR 219 swimming
- May 18 - HR 214 swimming
- May 22 - **Holiday** School/Daycare closed
- May 23 - Bee Farm field trip  
Grades 1, 2, 3
- May 24 - HR 213 swimming  
TCBY day
- May 30 - HR 212 swimming

**Save the date**  
**Friday, June 2, 2023**  
**Family Fun Night**



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<https://www.facebook.com/StMonicaElementary>



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### mPARENT

Parents can download the complimentary mobile application, **mParent**, to easily access the parent portal information straight from their phone and stay connected with their child(ren)'s school, in real-time. Download today, you will not be disappointed!



### SCHOOL HOURS

- 8:55 - 9:05 Morning Supervision
- 9:05 Entrance (Bell Rings)
- 9:05 - 9:10 Homeroom
- 10:10 - 10:30 Morning Recess Pre-K
- 10:40 - 11:00 Morning Recess Gr. K - 6
- 11:30 - 1:00 Lunch Pre-K
- 12:12 - 1:30 Lunch Kindergarten
- 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch Gr 1 - 6
- 2:00 - 2:20 Afternoon Recess Pre-K
- 2:30 - 2:50 Afternoon Recess Gr. K - 6
- 3:50 Dismissal All Grades
- 3:50 - 4:00 Supervision (Yards & Bus)



### 10 SCHOOL ORGANIZATION TIPS FOR STUDENTS

This time of year can be stressful on students. Assignments are piling up, due dates are fast approaching, and exams are right around the corner. During this time students can be really stressed and loose focus on their priorities. The following article will help students organize their time and have a more positive attitude towards their school work.

<https://www.wma.us/about/titan-blog/post/~board/titan-blog/post/10-school-organization-tips-for-students>

### 10 QUICK TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL EXAM PREPARATION

1. Give yourself enough time to study
2. Make sure your study space is organized
3. Use flow charts and diagrams
4. Practice on old exams
5. Explain your answers to others
6. Organize study groups with friends
7. Take regular breaks
8. Snack on healthy food
9. Plan the day of your exams
10. Drink plenty of water



For further information visit:

<https://www.hunimed.eu/news/10-quick-tips-successful-exam-preparation/>



### Study Tips Word Search!

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| flashcards  | discipline   | breaks        |
| planner     | study groups | stay engaged  |
| schedule    | organization | sleep         |
| note-taking | practice     | ask questions |





**Exceptional opportunities to grow and succeed.**

**May 2023**

## Important Information

**Daycare Fees** a gentle reminder that all daycare fees must be paid in full to receive services. Please contact Ms. Angela Zambito (514) 369-0087 to discuss payment options.

**Gentle Reminder for Morning Drop-off** your child must be dropped off in the school yard by 8:55 a.m. Teacher supervision begins at 8:55 a.m. If the school yard gates are closed, please escort your child to the front office. To ensure everyone's safety and a systematic entry, the teachers are not able to open the gate for late arrivals. Thank you for your understanding.

In case of rain, parents are asked to bring their child to the main entrance of the school at 8:55 a.m. (at first bell). They will then proceed to the school gym where teachers will greet them.

**Children Pick-Up** upon dismissal of classes at 3:50 p.m. all students who walk home will exit by the junior yard door. Children attending daycare will be brought to their after school classroom. The only children leaving from the front door are the children that take the bus home.

If there is a change to your child's after school dismissal we ask that you contact the main office by **3:15 p.m.** to notify changes to your child's routine.

Please note that all visitors must report to the Front Office.

**Student Absences/Changes to Routine** parents must call the school at 514 369 0070 before 9:00 a.m. and state the child's name, room number and reason for their child's absence. If no one answers the phone, please leave a message on the answering machine (the answering machine is on overnight). Please ensure that the school is notified before **3:15 p.m.** if there is a change in routine for dismissal at the end of the day.

**Dress Code** a gentle reminder that all students must be in clean uniform daily. For the girls, navy blue tunic, skirt, pants (no jeans, no leggings), or walking shorts (knee-length or longer). For the boys, navy blue pants (no jeans) or walking shorts (knee-length or longer). For both, white tops, shirt with collar, turtleneck, sweatshirt (no t-shirts, no lettering or logos) and sweaters are navy blue.

All articles of clothing must be labelled by the parent so that the item can be identified and returned to the rightful owner.

**Lost and Found** please check the "lost and found" areas at the Daycare entrance on a regular basis. Any unclaimed clothing will be placed on tables as a reminder to pick up at both of our concert events (Christmas concert and Spring Concert). All items not picked up at these events will be donated to charity in December and in the Spring.

**Physical Education Uniform** navy blue shorts and a grey t-shirt to be purchased from school office. The uniform is not mandatory for Pre-K and Kindergarten children, but they must wear navy blue shorts and a white t-shirt. For hygienic reasons, children are not permitted to wear their uniform under their school clothes. Please make sure your child has running shoes for Phys. Ed. class.

**Personal Accident Insurance** parents are encouraged to subscribe to personal accident insurance in case their child gets hurt while participating in physical education and sports or in any other circumstances. Fees incurred for ambulance services, medical/dental/ocular services and any other services related to an injury will not be assumed by the school. Parents are encouraged to contact their personal insurance company or any other insurer to get advice and information about accident insurance coverage for their child.