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Sept. 4, 2020

Important Dates

Sept. 8 - All students attend

Sept. 9 - Gr. 7/8 Complementary courses (options) begin

Sept. 10 - Meet the teacher (round 2) via zoom - info below

Staffing

Welcome to Tara Myden - Homeroom Teacher 5.2

Welcome to Matty Dunn - Homeroom Teacher 5.3

Welcome Back!

It was wonderful to see the students back at school! Staggered entry went very smoothly with students adjusting quickly to the new routines and expectations. We look forward to a great year. We also want to recognize that our online learners are still connected to SMS. We wish you all the best on your journey

RESPONSES TO COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Masks in Classrooms

As students engage in learning within their classrooms, they will not be static (they interact with their classmates, turn to engage with classmates, move about the classroom and all students in the class are not always facing perfectly straight forward) therefore, in RVS masks are required for students and staff in Grades 4 –12 in classrooms where 2m physical distancing cannot be supported. Students are not expected to sit in their desks for the duration of the day. Teachers will consider activities that can take place outdoors or in areas of the school that allow for increased physical distancing and/or increased ventilation thus allowing students to remove their masks (mask breaks).

Mask wearing during Gym class

Students are not required to wear a mask during gym class. Masks need to be worn by Grade 4 to 12 students when they travel to and from the gym and while they utilize the change room.

Mask use during Recess

Supervisors will encourage students to practice physical distancing while having recess break. Students who practice 2m physical distancing and students engaged in physical exercise do not need to wear a mask.

Meet the Teacher Round 2

Parents will have another opportunity to meet with the classroom teachers via Zoom on Thursday, September 10th at the following times. (Teachers will send an invite link closer to the date.)

Grade 5 - 5:00 pm

Grade 6 - 5:20 pm

Grade 7 - 5:40 pm

Grade 8 - 6:00 pm

Students who **have not yet selected** complementary courses have been sent the information to do so. Please check your email.



School Council

Stay tuned for School Council information in the next newsletter.

Under Construction

You may have noticed workers on the roof of our school. They will be here over the next while repairing and upgrading. They have fencing enclosing the areas where the equipment sits, preventing entry.

One of the bathrooms inside the school is going to be re-done. This area is blocked off until work is complete. In the meantime, other washrooms are available to students.

RVS Updates:

Reminder to Parents to complete the 2020-2021 RVS Demographic Confirmation Form and the 2020-2021 RVS Annual School Authorizations in SchoolEngage. If you need help logging in to the parent portal, please contact the school office for assistance.



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