



Rogers Elementary School

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Info for the first day of school

*The first day of school for students in Grades 1-5 will be
Tuesday, September 6th from 9:00 - 11:30 am.*

I am excited to welcome everyone back to Rogers and see the building come alive once again. Over the summer our custodial staff and maintenance crews were able to complete quite a bit of maintenance work and summer cleaning and the building looks fantastic. The Rogers' staff continue to ready themselves for the year ahead and I am confident that this will be another successful year at Rogers.

Since the end of June we have had some unexpected staff departures and movement. Over the summer Mrs. Gail Renard announced her retirement and Mrs. Dianne Ross accepted a position at Sir James Douglas. We wish them both the best of luck as they begin their new journeys. Consequently, we have had several teachers switch grade levels and assignments within the school. You can see an updated staff list on our website. This also means that we will be starting the year with several temporary teachers in classrooms while vacant positions can be posted and filled through the District's processes. I will send more detailed information home to classes that are affected by this on the first day. These classes will have familiar faces working in them as Miss Maycock, Miss Singh and Mrs. Gronotte are planning to return to teach these classrooms during this transition time.

Despite the changes in staff I am pleased to inform you that we will once again be placing students into their new classes on the first day of school. This process will take place during the course of the morning. Although I anticipate that our numbers will remain relatively stable and therefore most of the classes the same, there are possible scenarios of increased or decreased enrolment during this week that may require the shuffling of students so we refer to these classes as temporary until they can be finalised later in the week. Should any student moves be necessary during the first week I will be contacting you as soon as possible. The entire Rogers staff have worked very hard on student placement since May and should you have any questions about your child's placement please feel free to contact me.

What to do on the first day of school?

- 9:00 am - Students will line up in their line up locations from last year when the bell rings
- During the course of the morning students will be moved to their new classes by staff
- 10:10 - 10:30 am Recess will occur at its regular time - so don't forget a snack!
- 11:30 am - Pick up will occur at the following locations:
 - Grade 1: Oak Tree Courtyard area
 - Grade 2/3: Ball Wall/Blacktop area
 - Grade 4/5: 'The Rocks'/Garden areaTeachers will walk their students to these areas to dismiss.

Students do not need to bring their supplies on the first day.

School supplies that were ordered in the Spring will be delivered to students during the week.

Regular school hours for Grade 1 -5 students begin on Wednesday, September 7 at 8:40 am.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me here at the school.

Sincerely,

Scott Thomas

Principal