

# Parent/Guardian News - September 2023





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English Montreal School Board

Join us to build a respectful community with a shared language, where we model and treat each other with respect, kindness, and empathy.

## A Word from the Administration Team

We are excited to get another school year started together with our students, parents and whole LBP community. Coming into this new school year, we would like to emphasize the importance of working together for the benefit of the students you entrust to us.

Moving forward this year, we want to state the expectations for our community when communicating with the school, whether it be secretaries, teachers, support staff or administration. Who ack that you remain respectful at all times, as we are here to work together.

The school will not, at any time, tolerate any rude, and inappropriate communica us remember that our partnership as a school and parent team is for the ben students.

Thank you for your cooperation and looking forward to a positive school year for

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## 1. Petit Dejeuner Breakfast Program

Our \$0.50 breakfast program has begun in the Plaza from the Student Council COOP window. We encourage all students to enjoy a healthy breakfast to start off the day, and to take advantage of this \$0.50 breakfast program.

## 2. Pearson Co-Op

Starting this week, the Pearson Co-op will be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at lunch. You can buy Spiritwear, Terry Fox Tees, school supplies and more!



We are selling Digital SPC Cards to save you money at your favorite stores and restaurants at the Gals, Carrefour Laval and more! For 10\$ You can buy your SPC and you will get a 5\$ prepaid breakfast card for free! On sale at lunch starting today!

## 3. September 1-5: Welcome Back Level Assemblies

All students were invited to level assemblies to begin the school year. School policies and procedures were reviewed with the students as well as expectations as a member of the LBP community. Please note that **students' handbags, pouches, and satchels are not permitted in class**. If this sort of personal bag is related to a medical issue, please contact the level VP for further instructions.

## 4. September 7- Student Information Link Deadline

For any parent or guardian who did not yet fill in the student information electronic pages through the link we sent in June and August with the welcome package, please do so by today. If you already filled in the link in June or August, you do not need to do it again. Thank you for your cooperation.

### 5. September 8- OPUS Day at LBP

This is a friendly reminder that the STM will be visiting our school on Friday September 8, 2023. Your child will have the opportunity to take their OPUS photo if they have not done so already, prior to the start of the school year. We ask that your child come to school with the following on Friday:

- a Medicare card as proof of identity
- 15\$ cash only and the exact change
- The signed consent form (which may be picked up at the Main Office, if they do not have one) for any student under the age of 14.

## 6. September 8 – Spirit Wear Day!

Students are encouraged to wear the LBP spirit wear today. These include their school hoodies, t-shirts, club t-shirts and hoodies. **Phys. Ed uniforms are not considered spirit wear**. Uniform pants must be worn.

### 7. September 11: Detentions Begin

Beginning today, students are expected to serve their detentions when they receive them. Detentions are served in the cafeteria Monday to Thursday from 2:55 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. If students cannot attend the day they received their DT, they need to communicate with the student supervisor or level VP to make arrangements for an alternate date. In case where detentions are skipped, they will be doubled. LBP offers an alternative to detention, whereby students may attend a teacher's tutorial instead of serving their DT. It must be a 30-minute tutorial, where students are actively participating in the tutorial.

## **NEW DETENTION CHANCE SYSTEM**

Detentions are served after school. Students receive detentions for lates, uniform infractions, name calling, use of inappropriate language, including racial, homophobic, and transphobic slurs, and any other behavior that is deemed disrespectful. All students will be given two chances per term for MORNING LATES ONLY. These chances can be used when students are late without justification. It should be noted that lateness due to traffic or weather is included this chance system.

Please note: As stated in the school agenda, all students are expected to arrive on time for all their classes. Justified lates are medical appointments, the student not feeling well, or an extenuating circumstance. Students arriving after 8:15am without a justified reason will receive a detention.

## 8. September 14: Registration Forms Coming Home

For any student, whose parents did not confirm their registration on the Mozaik portal back in May/June, a paper registration form will be sent home. This is required for the student file and must be returned signed by a parent/guardian the following day please. Not all students will receive these forms-only those who have not confirmed their registration. This applies to all secondary 1 students and new registrations as well.

## 9. September 18- Teacher Tutorials Begin!

Every teacher at LBP will hold tutorials for their students. The tutorial times for each teacher will be placed on our school website. We encourage all students to take advantage of these tutorials to ensure a successful school year. Every Teacher will post their tutorials in their classes, so look out for the information.

## 10. September 21-Curriculum/Orientation Night (6:15p.m.-8:00 p.m.)

All parents & guardians are invited to LBP for an evening dedicated to meeting your child's teachers, learning about the curriculum, as well as subject evaluation. A special abridged version of the Spring presentation on 'Transition to High School', given by Ms.Della Cippoa will take place in the Auditorium for secondary 1 families from 5:40 p.m. to 6:10 p.m.

All parents/guardians are encouraged to attend this important evening. It is important to note that this is NOT a parent teacher interview evening, therefore individual students WILL NOT be discussed. Parents attending must come with their child's schedule for the evening. Detailed information about the evening will follow in a separate email tomorrow. It will be an in-person event, so we are looking forward to meeting you all!

## Governing Board Annual General Assembly (8:00 p.m.)

We will be holding our annual general assembly for all parents & guardians in the Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. The purpose of this assembly is to form our Governing Board and elect our CPC Delegate. We invite all parents to attend whether you would like to run for a position or vote in your representative.

Our Governing Board is the decision-making body for our school, which is an essential group for the proper managing & functioning of our school. All parents/guardians are encouraged to be part of your child's education and be involved in our school. We have 4 2-year term positions to fill, and 1 1-year position to fill (replacement).

## 1. September 21- Spirit Wear Day!

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### 12. September 22- Pedagogical Day!

No classes for students.

## 13. September 28-Welcome Back Lunch

In celebration of the start of the school year, students will be treated to a welcome back lunch today! More details will follow closer to the event. We are also planning a community event for the evening for families to partake in. Looking forward to welcoming you all that day!

## 14. September 29- Official Attestation Day

This is our official count day across the province. It is very important that all students be present on this day for attendance purposes since our funding relies on this official attestation. Please ensure that all students are in school the morning of September 30<sup>th</sup>. Please schedule appointments for another day. Thank you for your understanding.

### 15. September 29- Orange Shirt Day

All students are encouraged to participate in Orange Shirt Day today! Orange Shirt Day was created as an opportunity to discuss the effects of residential schools and their legacy. It honors the experiences of Indigenous Peoples, celebrates resilience, and affirms a commitment that every child matters.

### 16. September 29- Annual ECA Fair

Student Council will be holding an ECA Fair in the Plaza during lunch. Students can sign up for a new team or club or just see what we have to offer. We encourage all students to get involved in our school activities and make their experience at LBP a meaningful and balanced one.

## 17. September 29- Live Different Presentations

Every year, we like to kick off the year with a message of inspiration for our students with Live Different's motivational concert. Every level will be given an assembly performance. The theme for this year is to **The Power of Possibility**: **Building hope and resilience through Self-belief.** 

Tailored for grades high schoolers, this engaging assembly explores how our beliefs shape our identities and influence our perception of the world. Within this interactive one-hour event, we delve into the profound impact of our beliefs, the mind-body connection, and the remarkable malleability of our brains. Through sketch videos, thought-provoking stories, and scientific insights, students will gain a deeper understanding of how beliefs affect personal growth and well-being. Our hope is that students will walk away with a mental shift that will help them overcome limiting beliefs, foster resilience, and embrace their true potential.

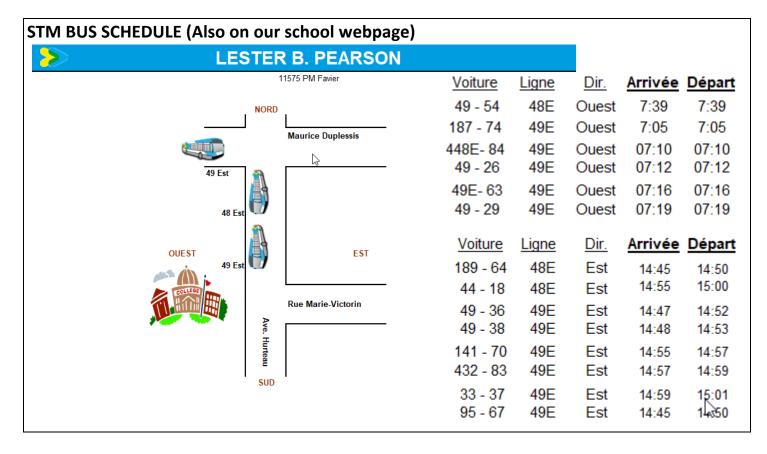
## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## Fire drill & lockdown practice

We will be scheduling 3 fire drills and 1 lock down practice during the month of September to November. Our first fire drill will take place on September 12<sup>th</sup>, followed by two more the 2 weeks following the first. These subsequent fire drills will be surprise drills. Our lock down practice will take place in November (more information to follow). These drills are of utmost importance and are taken very seriously for the safety of all students and staff.

## **LBPHS Social Justice Combats Period Poverty**

We offer free menstrual hygiene products in the Universal & Girl's Washrooms. Our goal is to reduce the stress of being caught without a product and to make sure that such things are accessible to all. These products are not a luxury, but a must-have to live. Please only take what you need.



Thank you for your cooperation,

Mr. Vitantonio Principal Ms. Caruso Vice Principal (L1/2) Ms. Di Sorbo Vice Principal (L3/4) Ms. Fanelli Vice Principal (L5)