# September 2023

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Dearest P.E.T. Families,

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! I hope that you and your family had a nice summer break. I hope that you are all rested, because we have a WILD year ahead!

Our theme for this year is "Welcome to the Jungle!" Our entire staff is excited to be back and looking forward to getting to know their students and families. It is going to be a "ROAR-ing" year!

It is very important that you have completed the package of forms (Health, Photo Consent, etc) and all forms are given to the office. If you have not done so, please send them to school by the end of the week. Parent email addresses must be accurate as important communication by the school and School Board is done by email. Please ensure to check your emails daily.

Students are to be in school dress code when inside the school. This includes sweaters and sweatshirts that must be solid navy blue or white, without large logos or graphics. All students must wear closed-toe shoes in school. No booties or boots allowed. Please ensure that your child has their running shoes at school. No students are to be walking around the school in their socks. Students must wear appropriate physical education attire (solid white or navy blue t-shirt, navy blue sweatpants or shorts and running shoes) on the days that they have physical education class. Grades 3 to 6 students are to wear their Phys. Ed. T-shirts on days when they have Physical Education class. This will avoid students having to change during the day.

Rest assured that we are committed to the safety of our students. We believe in the resilience of our students and families, and in a strong partnership with our parents. We thank you for choosing P.E.T. and trusting us with your child's early education.

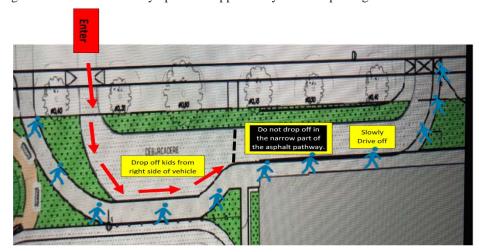
Here's to a happy, safe, exciting, and engaging year! Welcome to the Jungle! It's going to be a ROAR-some!

Sincere wishes. Ms Alvares



# PARENTS DAILY RESPONSIBILITES

Please ensure that your child arrives at school every day on time for 7:25am when the bell rings. All parents are to make an account on Mozaik Portal. This app is used to view your child's report cards, enter absences, etc. Should your child be absent, please enter the absence on Mozaik by 8am. Should your child's end of day dismissal change, please write it in the agenda or call the school by 1pm. We appreciate you for respecting the time deadlines.



# **MORNING ENTRANCE**

Students can enter school as of 7:25am as it is free entry and will go directly to their homeroom. To ensure proper supervision, students should not be in the school yard before 7:25 a.m. We



**Upcoming Events** 

# September 4

Labour Day - Holiday, school is closed.

# September 14

Orientation Night - Meet the Teacher at 6pm at school

## September 15

Welcome Back Fun Day Inflatables & Beavertails for all! Please have students wear their Phys Ed attire.

# September 27

Picture Day: all students will get their picture taken. Students must be in school dress code.

# September 30

**Attestation Day**: all students are to be present at school

**Orange Shirt Day**: Every Child Matters "Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation". Students are asked to wear an ORANGE shirt with their school blue bottoms.

# **Communication - Emails**

Emails will be sent on a regular basis. If you are not receiving them, please call the school to confirm vour email address.

# **Package of Forms**

Please return the package that was given to your child on their first day of school

# School Fees & Lunch Fees

You can pay with a cheque and send it in with your child. We also accept interact or credit card (contact the school). School fees must be paid by cheque, cash or credit/debit card.

# **AGM Governing Board**

The annual general meeting for Governing Board that will take place on Sept. 14 at 6pm in the school gymnasium on the night of gymnasium Orientation/Meet the Teacher night.

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ask that when you drop off your child, <u>please wait</u> until they enter the building before you leave. If you must wait with them, please stay outside of the yard. If your child must be dropped off early than 7:25am, they must be <u>registered</u> in daycare (call 514-374-0554). DO NOT DROP or PICK UP your child on rue Cartier as the buses are parked there. Please use the gates at Bélanger and Chabot when dropping off your child. Students who arrive by bicycle can lock their bike on one of the two bike racks that we have in front of the school. ONLY those bicycle students can enter through the entrance on rue Cartier along with the bus students. Do not block the entrance and exit of the débarcadère from rue Chabot. The débarcadère is meant for a quick drop off and no cars should be parked there for long; the flow of traffic must be ongoing. Use the sidewalk to enter the school parking lot and avoid walking on the asphalt pathway. **Please walk your child to the gate** when dropping off so that you ensure your child's safety when crossing the bike path and parking lot.

#### **DISMISSAL**

Kindergarten 4 & Kindergarten 5 students are dismissed at 2:20 pm, while Grades 1 to 6 will be dismissed at 2:25pm. Please note that students who take the bus will leave by the front entrance. All students who are picked up will exit through the daycare entrance (North schoolyard). DO NOT PICK UP your child on rue Cartier. The buses will be parked there. To ensure everyone's safety, please wait by the gates. Daycare kids should be picked up after 2:35pm and we ask for those parents to please wait outside of the gates until that time. If there is any change in the way the child gets dismissed, please write it in the agenda or call the school before 1pm. If a change needs to occur for daycare, please inform Ms. Mara immediately at 514-374-0554. We also ask that once your child has been picked up that you leave the school grounds. If you have a dog with you, please ensure that the dog is on a leash. Keep in mind that the school yard is where our students play during recesses, so we ask that it is kept clean. Please help us to keep our children's environment clean.

To create the safest environment possible, we encourage your collaboration and understanding for the following items:

- **Students are to leave personal items at home** (toys, sports equipment, phone, playing cards (example: Pokemon), etc)
- Provide a waste free lunch (If possible, please provide a reusable placemat)
- Provide **2 full bottles of water** per day or a reusable water bottle
- It would be helpful if you could supply your child with their own personal hygiene kit (Kleenex, wet wipes, and hand sanitizer), this is optional.
- Reiterate the rule of no sharing of personal objects or food
- Remind your child to frequently wash their hands, practice proper respiratory etiquette, not to touch their face, avoid touching others or high touch surfaces or objects.
- Remind your child of the importance of cleaning their desks before and after eating.
- Read all school communication thoroughly.
- Hot lunch meals are available through Le Doral. They will be brought directly to the students. If you would like to order for your child, please go directly onto the website <a href="www.leDoral.com">www.leDoral.com</a>
- Extra-curricular activities will be offered after school starting the first week of October. A letter will be sent out with the activities that will be offered (examples: PELO language classes, sports, theatre, etc).
- Inform your child's teachers and the school about any serious health conditions. Should you have any professional reports for your child (Psychological, Speech Language, Occupational Therapy, etc.) please send the documents to the office.

To pay school fees, please send a cheque with your child. All students are to pay school fees, as all students receive the school supplies on their first day of school. The homeroom teacher will be responsible for collecting the envelopes. Indicate your child's name, homeroom number and type of fees on the cheque itself and the envelope. If you would like to pay by debit/interact, credit card or cash, please call the school. School fees must be paid by cheque, cash or credit card. You can pay your fees at the office during Orientation Night.



# **For Lunch Fees**

- Students who are registered as a regular daycare student, do not need to pay lunch fees, as their fees are included in the daycare fees.
  - For all students **not registered** for daycare, then you **must pay lunch fees**.
    - o Students in K4 & K5: pay lunch fees to Pierre Elliott Trudeau Daycare
    - O Students in Grades 1 to 6: pay lunch fees to Pierre Elliott Trudeau School

For any information regarding registration and missing documents, please email Ms Elisabeth, our school secretary, at (EPereira2@emsb.qc.ca).

# **ABSENCES**

We encourage you to enter your child's absence through Mozaik portal. Please create your account by using the SAME email address that you provided the school with. Should you need to call the school to let us know of your child's absence, please do so **before 8:00 am**.

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# **Fundraising**

PPO is our Parents Participation Organization who help organize activities and fundraisers

# Mabel's Labels

Buy Mabel's Labels waterproof, durable labels to help curb germ spread and keep your items coming home. Visit <a href="https://www.campaigns.mabelslabels.com">www.campaigns.mabelslabels.com</a> and choose our school organization from the list. Then shop for your labels and they'll ship directly to you!

#### Chocolates

These funds help the students and school in many ways: subsidizing fiedtrips/outings for all students, in-school activities, inflatable activities, Halloween treats, Winter Holiday ornaments, dances, games, etc. Your help is needed to enhance our children's school learning and school life!

# <u>Fundscrip</u>

Please consider helping our group raise funds by using FundScrip, which is fundraising program that lets you raise funds simply by purchasing gift cards for your everyday shopping (i.e. gifts groceries, gas, and household items). When you purchase a \$100 grocery gift card, you receive the \$100 card, but in addition, a percentage is donated to our fundraising campaign. Go to www.fundscrip.com/supporta-group and enter the code 5GKW7P. You will need to sign up and make an account.

## **THE AGENDA**

Your child has received their agenda. They should use it to write down homework and to keep track of assignments. You may use the agenda as a communication tool with your child's teacher, and as a means of verifying your child's homework. **Please read the school information in the agenda. It should be checked and initialled DAILY by an adult.** All students have received an EMSB email address with their username and password. This is to be used when using a school device and also to access Google Classroom.

# **LEARN Quebec Free Online Tutoring**

LEARN Tutoring provides online tutoring and homework help appointments, at no charge. Their online tutors are fully qualified Quebec teachers, experienced in tutoring, review and consolidation. They work directly with elementary (gr. 2 and up).

# **ORIENTATION NIGHT – MEET THE TEACHER (Thurs. Sept 14 evening)**

On Thurs. Sept. 14, we will host Orientation Night - Meet the Teacher at school. Our teachers will be in their classrooms where they will meet with you. The Principal's Address, introduction of the staff and presentation of school information will take place at 6pm. Following this, we will hold the Annual General Assembly whereby parents will be elected on the Governing Board Committee. We need the support of the parents to work together with our staff for the success of our students. We need 4 parent positions this year. If you are interested, please complete the attached form in the email and send it to Ms Alvares by Wednesday Sept. 13.

# SCHOOL PICTURES – Picture Day (Wed. Sept. 27)

All students will have their picture taken by the company LifeTouch. We ask that students remain in dress code for the pictures. Proofs will be sent to the school and then sent home in a few weeks time, whereby you can make your online order for pictures.

# **ATTESTATION DAY (Fri. Sept. 29)**

All students are to be in school on Sept. 29. This is the day the children are counted by the government as being part of our school.

#### **SCHOOL THEME**

Every homeroom has a received a copy of either "Un jour, tu découvriras ..." by Jaqueline Woodson or "Everywhere, Wonder" by Matthew Swanson. PET is encouraging all students to be creative, to be proud of who they are, that diversity makes our World a better and more enriched place, and being aware of one's emotions and feelings, Our school wide theme for this year is the **Jungle**, where all of these





# September Theme- Indigenous culture/literature

Learning about Indigenous people helps stop the loss of their language, culture, and identities. Students learn the important role Indigenous people have in shaping our country. We can honor the traditions by listening to their stories and reading books written by Indigenous authors.

# PET September 2023 Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	<u>Friday</u>
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HOLIDAY (No School)	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	7	8
<u>11</u>	12	13	Payment deadline for school & lunch fees  Orientation Night – Meet the Teacher (at school at 6pml)	Welcome Back Fun Day!
18	<u>19</u>	20	21	22
<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	Picture Day	<u>28</u>	Orange Shirt Day at PET Attestation Day All students must be present  EVERY MATTERS

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