

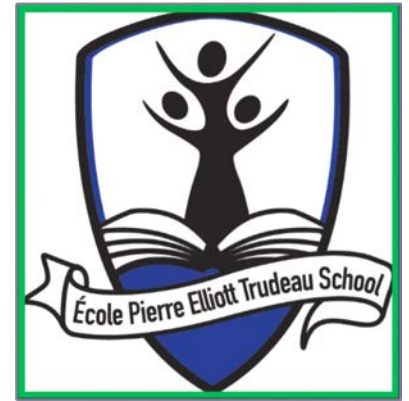
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## Upcoming Events

### March 8

#### **Back to School**

Classes resume

### March 9

#### **Governing Board Meeting**

on MS Teams at 7pm

### March 10

#### **Grade 6 Grad Committee Meeting**

on MS Teams at 7pm

### March 16

#### **PPO Meeting**

on MS Teams at 7pm

### March 17

#### **FREE Dress Down Day**

Wear green and your festive attire

### March 19

#### **PED Day (No School)**

Daycare is available

Dearest Parents & Guardians,

Thank you to our PPO and all parents who donated treats for our Staff during Staff Appreciation Week (Feb. 22-25). It was an incredible week! Thank you for spoiling all of us! Over the past year, we have seen our staff go over and beyond to ensure that our students stay safe. Your support and care have helped us along the way. And mostly, the love and smiles from our students are what gets us through our days. I am very proud of the environment that exists in our school, and the academic, social, emotional and physical needs given to our staff and students daily. THANK YOU ALL for everything!

All classes worked on a Hooked on Schools Activity (week of Feb. 15) where each student drew a puzzle piece with what it is that they learn at school that helps make the World a better place. The pieces will be plastified and placed around the school.

PET celebrated Black History Month (February) by working on individual projects within the class and culminated with virtual assemblies that our Spiritual Community Animator, Ms Samantha Smith, organized. Pre-K to Grade 1 classes took part in a virtual assembly with Salahpan and learned about the Steel Pan, while enjoying a concert. Grades 2 to 6 enjoyed a virtual presentation with DJ Malik Shaheed, where students danced, actively answered questions and learned about Black History.

Our Pre-K & K classes celebrated their 100 days of schools on Feb. 23 with fun CENT-sensional activities!

The virtual Parent Teacher Interviews went well. If you were unable to meet with your child's teacher(s), please contact the teacher by calling the school or emailing the teacher. All email addresses are available on our school website.

We are looking forward to St. Patrick's Day and the FREE Dress Down Day to wear **green** and be festive! To get into the spirit of things, our PPO has organized a fun activity, where each class will have the chance to guess how many green candies are in the jar. The class that guesses the closest amount will get a prize!!

The week of March 22 to 26 is I love to READ Week, where fun activities are planned for our students. We ask that you read with your child(ren) at night and encourage the love of reading.

The school yard renovations will begin in March. We ask that you drop-off and pick up your child from the Daycare Entrance (north side). Please stand outside of the gates. Continue being safe by wearing a mask and social distancing. Avoid parking on Cartier Street (from St. Zotique to Belanger) as this is where the buses will eventually be parked when we break ground in the school yard.

Thank you for your continuous support and collaboration!

Take care and be well!

Ms Alvares

## Transportation News

The Transportation Division at the EMSB has informed us that in the upcoming weeks, they might receive notifications of cancelled bus services at the last minute, due in part to Santé Publique's new directives, asking people to remain in isolation, not only when they have symptoms of Covid-19, but also when a member of the family bubble has symptoms, and is waiting for results. This has raised major concerns for the transportation companies as they now have more and more bus drivers being asked to self-isolate, creating an even bigger shortage of bus drivers. If this affects your child(ren)'s bus, the EMSB's Transportation division will send you a voice and email notification via School Messenger. If your child(ren)'s bus is cancelled, you must kindly make arrangements to drop them off and to pick them up from the school. We are truly sorry for this inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

## School Closings – Weather Advisory

As winter is approaching, we need to get ready in case of school closings due to inclement weather conditions. School closings will be broadcasted in the morning on all radio and television stations, and on the EMSB website.

We also ask that when you drop off your child, please wait until they enter the building before you leave.

## Reminders

- Inform the school of **any changes to your phone number, home address or email address.**
- **Use the agenda** to inform your child's homeroom teacher if there is a change of dismissal.
- If your child will be **absent, please call the school** before 8:30am.
- When bringing an item to school that your child has forgotten, please put it in a bag that is clearly labeled with your child's name & homeroom.

## Health & Safety

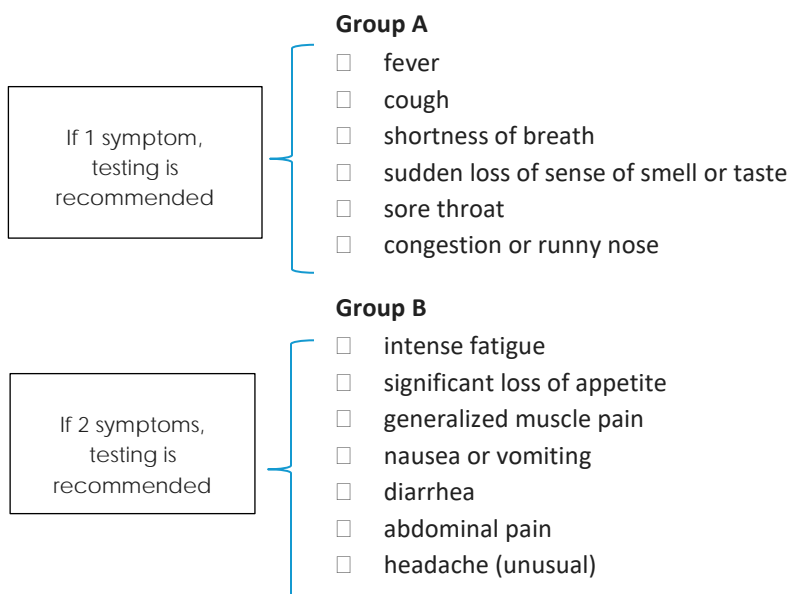
- Wash hands frequently. *"Twinkle, twinkle little star, look how clean my two hands are!"*
- Keep their distance
- Wear a face mask (mandatory for Grades 1 to 6) when entering the building.
- The school will be providing 2 procedural masks per day to all students Grades 1 to 6. **From the moment the masks arrive, students will be expected to wear only those and will no longer be permitted to wear face coverings.**
- Mandatory for students in Grades 1 & 6 to wear the masks all day, except when eating, in classrooms, common spaces and on the bus.
- *Please note that preschool students (K4 and K5) are not required to wear procedural masks in school.*

## COVID updates

I ask that you continue to **assess your child's health on a daily basis and inform the school if your child is symptomatic.** **Should your child be tested as positive for Covid, please inform the school IMMEDIATELY. If this should happen at night or on the weekend, please email [petrudeau@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:petrudeau@emsb.qc.ca)**

In accordance with the most recent guidelines from *Public Health*, individuals exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms (✓) are requested to go/stay home:

For children 6 and over AND adults:



For children 5 and under: **Testing is recommended if any of the following:**

- Fever, rectal: 38.5 ° C (101.3° F) /oral: 38.1 ° C (100.6° F)
- Cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Runny nose, congestion or sore throat **AND** fever
- Stomach ache, vomiting or diarrhea **AND** fever
- Sibling of a student who is showing symptoms of COVID-19\*

*\*All other household members must also self-isolate while waiting for testing and results.*

### Instructions:

- It is strongly recommended to get tested at the onset of symptoms (1 symptom from group A or 2 symptoms from group B),
- The student and the other household members have to self-isolate while awaiting result,
- If result is negative, the siblings can return to school immediately while the student must wait until he feels better,
- If testing is positive, the student must self-isolate for 10 days from first day symptoms appeared AND until they have completely disappeared (except for cough or loss of smell). All household members must also self-isolate (duration to be confirmed by Public Health),
- If testing is refused, the student has to self-isolate for 10 days from first day symptoms appeared AND until they have completely disappeared,
- To find a testing clinic or to determine isolation requirements, you may contact the COVID-19 Info-line at 514-644-4545 or visit: <https://santemontreal.qc.ca/en/public/coronavirus-covid-19/>
- Communicate with the school administration and inform him of the evolution of the situation.



### Important Information

#### Future Governing Board Meetings

**Mar 9, Apr. 6, May 4, June 8**

If you would like to join or have questions, please send an email to [petrudeau@emsb.qc.ca](mailto:petrudeau@emsb.qc.ca)

### Fundraiser

#### Touchless Key

You can still purchase a touchless key! Use it for door handles, elevators, bank & keypad buttons, touchscreens & smartphones with the stylus tip. This touchless key can be attached to your keychain!



Cost is \$10.

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### PICK UP & DROP OFF

We ask that once your child has been picked up that you leave the school grounds and maintain social distancing. We are working very hard to ensure everyone's safety. 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.

**Please do not park on school grounds.** Use the sidewalk to enter the school parking lot and avoid walking on the asphalt pathway. There is also an entrance to the schoolyard on rue Bélanger.



## Calendar

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
<p><i>March Break</i>            March 1-5            No school. School is closed.</p>				
<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
	<i>Governing Board 7pm</i>	<i>Grade 6 Grad Committee Meeting 7pm</i>		
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<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>
<p>I ♥ to READ Week</p>				
<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>		

