



# DON CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## SCHOOL FEES

Each school year, parents support their child(ren)'s formal learning experiences in a wide variety of ways. We so appreciate all that you do to ensure a successful year!

In addition to providing the school supplies itemized on a grade list, parents are periodically asked for monies to cover specific items and/or special events. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in any school activity due to the inability to pay. Please contact the Principal should you require any financial assistance.

As we plan for the 2014-2015 school year, we anticipate the following costs:

**Student Planner:** We encourage all students in Grades 1-7 to purchase a School Planner at a cost of \$5.00. Included in the planner is our school code of conduct, school calendar and school district information. We find this to be an excellent tool for facilitating home/school communication, as well as for developing our students' organizational skills. However, using our school planner is optional as parents may purchase their own version.

**Field Studies and Field Trips:** Classes often enjoy educational visits to community facilities, which extend and enhance the curriculum. While we use school monies or fundraise to cover the costs of such activities wherever possible, there are times when parents are asked to contribute towards the cost of the trip. If you choose to have your child not participate in a field study, a suitable program will be provided at the school.

**Musical Instruments:** Grade 4 students may learn to play the recorder. Students will have the option of purchasing one through our music teacher for \$10 or receiving one on loan from the school. Also, our Grade 7 students who take band either purchase or rent an instrument. Costs vary depending on the instrument.

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Parents have the option of purchasing their child's school supplies on their own utilizing the grade supply list or for your convenience you may wish to purchase supplies as a package through School Start. Payment is made directly to School Start. Costs for supplies vary based on grade.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2014/15 SCHOOL YEAR

On the reverse side of this notice, please find a basic calendar of events at Don Christian for the next school year. We have included school holidays, professional development days, reporting dates and early dismissal days. Although we attempt to stick to these dates, they are subject to change with sufficient notice.



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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2014/15  
 The following are the important dates for this school year. Please note them on your calendar for future planning.

September	2	School begins
	22	Non Instructional Day - students do not attend
October	13	Thanksgiving Day- School closed
	15	Interim Report #1
	21	Early Dismissal - students dismissed at 1:32 p.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences
	24	Non Instructional Day - students do not attend
November	10	Non Instructional Day - students do not attend
	11	Remembrance Day - Schools closed
December	5	Report card #1 issued
	11	Early Dismissal - students dismissed at 1:32 p.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences
	19	Last day of school before Winter Break
December 20 - January 4		Winter Break
January	5	School re-opens after Winter Break
February	9	Family Day - School closed
	20	Non Instructional Day - students do not attend
March	4	Report card #2 issued
March 7 - March 22		Spring Break/School Closure
March	23	School begins after Spring Break/School Closure
	25	Early Dismissal - students dismissed at 1:32 p.m. Parent-Teacher Conferences
April	3	Good Friday - School closed
	6	Easter Monday - School closed
	23	Interim Report #2
May	1	Non Instructional Day - students do not attend
	18	Victoria Day - School closed
	25	Non Instructional Day - students do not attend
June	25	Report card #3 issued Early Dismissal - students dismissed at 1:32 p.m. Last day for students