
AROUND LARONDE – Sept 1, 2019

Our commitment at École Laronde is to offer a fulfilling French experience while developing kind, respectful and responsible learners who are creative builders of their future.

À l'École Laronde, nous nous engageons à offrir une riche expérience du français et à former des élèves gentils, respectueux et responsables qui sont les créateurs de leur avenir.

Bienvenue - welcome to all! We are very happy to welcome back all of our returning students and families and to welcome all of our new students and families. We are very excited to see all of you on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 @ 10:00 am.

FIRST DAY

For grades 1 – 7, all students start school on Tuesday, September 3 @ 10:00 am until 11:00 am. Parents are welcome to stay - our PAC will be serving coffee-tea out front (or in the gym if it rains).

We will ask kindergarten parents to bring their children to **door 404** (exterior door by the rear playground, look for signs). Please follow the schedule sent home during this summer for groups A & B. Group A attends at 10:00 - 10:25. Group B attends at 10:35 - 11:00.

We will have all grade 1 – 4 students meet us in the gym on Tues. Sept 3rd. Students will assemble behind the appropriate chair labeled with their grade. We will announce each grade and the teachers and students will be led to one classroom. Each grade will be dismissed from the following door. Students will also enter and leave from these doors for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

Grade 1 -- door 603 (Mme Fraser)
Grade 2 – door 606 (Mme Afilal)
Grade 3 – door 604 (Mme Burden)
Grade 4 – door 502 (Mme Shakur)

We will ask all grade 5 – 7 students to line up near the basketball courts where each grade will enter through one door. Students will also be dismissed from these same doors Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri.

Grade 5 – door 505 (Mme Hatch)
Grade 6 – door 508 (Mme Carriou)
Grade 7 – door 515 (Mme Knoll)



Upcoming Events

September 3

First Day of School 10 -11am

September 4

First full day of school for grades 1 - 7

September 9

Welcome Assembly 10:45 am
- parents/guardians welcome to join us

September 20

Terry Fox Run – all welcome to join us @ 9 am

PAC Welcome Back

All parents/guardians are invited to join the PAC for coffee-tea & snacks on Sept. 3 @ 10 -11 am

First PAC MEETING – Friday, Sept. 26 @ 9:00 am – all parents are welcome to attend.

MORE IMPORTANT NEWS

FIRST THREE FULL DAYS OF SCHOOL (Sept 4-6)

During these three days students will be in their grade groups. Students will be working with a variety of teachers (typically three teachers per grade group). This allows students in each grade group to get to know their peers and the various teachers within the grade group. It also allows staff members to observe the dynamic within the grade group and to ensure that we are creating classes that are well balanced and meet student needs as well as meet class size and composition guidelines. Most students really enjoy this time to see their many friends and to meet all of the teachers. For students who may experience a bit of anxiety it may be helpful for parents to speak to their child(ren) about these three days to ensure that they know they will work with a variety of groups and teachers. Children often take their cues from the adults around them (especially their parents) – if we show/tell them that this is a fun and exciting time and that all the adults at the school care for them – most children will feel safe, comfortable and enjoy themselves.

ALLERGY ALERT- ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL

A number of students at Laronde have life-threatening allergies. For some of our students, the smallest trace of allergen could cause a severe anaphylactic reaction. **Please DO NOT send snacks, treats, or lunches containing PEANUTS, PEANUT BUTTER, NUTS or NUT PRODUCTS.** Thank you for your help keeping all students' safe at school.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

For grades 2 – 7, please ensure your child brings a pencil box with a pencil, one glue stick, a pair of scissors, colouring crayons and/or markers for the first three full days of school. Also, please remember a lunch kit and water bottle. *Kindergarten and grade one* teachers will provide supplies for first few days for the students.

Students can bring their entire package of school supplies once the classroom teacher they are assigned to requests them. Most likely on September 10 or 11. We will keep you posted.

LABEL ALL STUDENT ITEMS

Please label all of your child's items such as coats, lunch bags, backpacks (on the inside), water bottles, runners etc. This will help us easily return misplaced items to students. Last year, we had loads and loads of items that were never recovered and were sent for donation.



Welcome back from our staff – see their summer photos in the foyer.

In the Community

TERRY FOX RUN

Friday, September 20 @ 9:00 am

Parents and Guardians are welcome to join us.

MEET THE STAFF & BOOK FAIR

Thursday, September 19

Meet the teachers from 5:30 – 6:30 PM.

Come buy some new books! 2:30 – 7:00 pm.

*There may be a picnic component at this event - we will keep you posted.

ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Friday, September 27, 2019

We encourage all of students and staff to wear orange as we come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

Assembly @ 10:45 am – all are invited to attend

DRESS CODE

Please ensure that your child dresses appropriately for school. Students need to wear clothing that allows for active learning and that is not restrictive or inappropriate. Students also need proper outer wear in order to be outside as much as possible during recess and lunch. Please see our school's code of conduct in student planners for further information about our dress code. Even though it is still summer, no flip flops please.

BELL SCHEDULE

8:35 – first bell

8:40 – classes begin

10:20 – recess begins

10:35 – recess ends

11:47 - lunch recess

12:12 – return to class for lunch

12:30 – warning bell

12:35 – afternoon classes begin

2:35 – dismissal

2:50 – supervision of students ends

Please note that we will continue to have a reverse lunch where students play first and eat afterwards.