

AE PERRY

ROADRUNNER REPORT



WELCOME
BACK
EDITION

Thursday, August 28th, 2024

Wyktp, ਜੀ ਆਇਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਜਾਂ ਜੀ ਆਇਆਂ ਨੂੰ, स्वागत, and Welcome

As your new Principal, I would like to take a few minutes to introduce myself. My name is Susie Mabee, and I was the Principal at École Élémentaire South Sa-Hali for the past 4 years. Before that I was at Westmount as Principal for 3 years and even before that I was Vice-Principal here at AE Perry for a year, so this is a bit of a homecoming for me, and I couldn't be happier about it.

I hope that everyone had a fantastic summer and is ready for a great upcoming school year. We were so fortunate this summer to experience some great weather, with little to no smoke. I was able to spend some time in Seattle visiting family and got out hiking and paddle boarding with my dog Lucy here in Kamloops and the surrounding areas.



I understand that the uncertainty of a new school year can be a little nerve-wracking for some (me included); these feelings are completely normal. Getting back into some regular routines, (bedtime, meal time, etc.) can help, as they increase predictability and let people know what to expect. I am very much looking forward to meeting all of you next week.

What to expect during the first week of school

We are so excited to welcome everyone back to school on Tuesday, September 3rd from 10:30 - 12:40 and then from 8:31 - 2:40 from September 4th onward. On Tuesday, students will be reporting to their last year's teacher and class, with a few exceptions:

Last Year's Teacher	Where/Who to meet on Tuesday, Sept. 3
Mrs. Barrow	Mrs. Danyluk - Room 12
Mrs. Endacott	Mrs. Barrow - Room 10
Ms. Lyons	Mrs. Semenoff - Room 15
Ms. Kolkman	Mrs. Underwood - Room 4
Mrs. Matuschewski	Mrs. Gulbransen - Room 5

All new students will report to the Library and we will put them in a class with similar-age students after attendance and a tour of the school. There will be lots of staff members around that day, so if you are not exactly sure where to go, there will be someone close-by to help.

Our new Kindergarten students are on a different schedule until Wednesday, September 11, so those students will be following the schedule they were given.

Because, as usual, there has been a significant amount of movement of students into and out of our school over the summer months, we will not be starting in our classrooms right away. Placing students in their respective classes is one of the most complex tasks that we educators have to do. The administrators and teachers spent a great deal of time and consideration in June placing children in a class that will best suit their needs and meet the demands of the Collective Agreement with regards to class size and composition. We hope that we will be able to have students into classes before the end of the day Friday, but this is completely dependent on the number of students who register with us in the coming days. We do not want to start classes and then have to re-organize after the fact. We will have your child/ren in his/her/their class as soon as possible.



School Supplies

School supplies are provided at the school at a reduced rate, and these supplies save you the time and effort of going out and buying supplies that might not be the right fit. You will be getting an e-mail from SchoolCash Online during the week of September 9-13, indicating that the system is available for you to pay for school supplies. Your child/ren will be coming home with the forms package (Internet permission, media release, etc.) that week as well.

For those of you who are new to the District, you will receive an e-mail from schoolcashonline.com which will prompt you to register for an account. A sheet with instructions will be sent home with your child/ren in the forms package. It is very important for you to create this account, as this is the way that you will pay for everything at the school, field trips, school clothing, etc.

If you have changed your e-mail over the summer, please contact the office ASAP so that Mrs. Ablitt or Mrs. McGivern can update our system and allow you to use this online payment option.



Safe Arrival

If your child/ren are going to be absent or late from school for any reason (i.e. dentist, holiday, etc.) please enter this absence into the Safe Arrival Student Absence Reporting System - SchoolMessenger App, go.schoolmessenger.ca or I toll-free **1-844-350-2647**. You can enter absences in advance or the day of until 8:30am.

The mornings are very busy, and we do not want to overlook any student absence. The most accurate and time sensitive way for you to let us know that your child will not be in attendance is to use the app website, or the toll-free number. Please do not phone the school to report a student absence.

The use of this system will also prevent any unnecessary and unsettling phone calls going out to you.

