

September 24, 2021

Dear Parents,

We are off to another exciting start of the school year and are so pleased to be working with such a vibrant group of students. We understand you will be looking for feedback and we will do our best to communicate with you on a regular basis.

We recognize that after a year and a half of uncertainty, some students are struggling with the daily schedule of being present and alert at school. We are doing our best to make school a fun, interesting and dynamic place to learn; however, we have noticed that some students are having trouble staying awake and on task. Quality sleep is crucial to learning and development and we encourage all our students to make sure they get into the habit of making a good night's sleep a priority. We also strongly suggest that all appointments are scheduled on PED days. Missing a class or a day of school puts a student at a real disadvantage.

We have already been on a number of outings exploring the neighborhood surrounding the school but, beginning next week, we will be venturing further afield via public transportation. Please make sure your child has a valid OPUS card or exact change for bus/metro fare on outing days.

We would like to remind you to check the Edplus.ca website daily for news, homework assignments, the school calendar, photos and announcements of special events.

In the meantime, let me bring two dates to your attention. As indicated on the school calendar, **Monday, September 27th is a PED day.** There are no classes.

This year, we will be holding a parent information session via Zoom from 7 – 8 pm on the night of **Wednesday, October 27.** All parents are encouraged to attend. We will be preparing a progress report for each student as an overview of how each one is doing academically and socially. The report will be sent to you via email prior to the Zoom session. There will be some time allocated for your general comments, concerns and questions; however, specific topics regarding your child can be discussed during a separate phone call or meeting as requested.

Please respond as soon as possible by email (edplusmtl@gmail.com) to acknowledge receipt of this letter. We will then send you a Zoom link for the October 27 event.

Thank you,



James Watts
Principal