

Alexis Park Elementary

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

School Newsletter | September 2, 2022

Principal: Jennifer Friesen

Vice-Principals: Kim Erven-Culler & Cordell Ware

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WELCOME MESSAGE

A warm welcome back to all Alexis Park families and a very special welcome to all of the new students and families joining the Eagles! We are looking forward to working with you to make this a memorable year of learning. Mrs. Erven-Culler and I are excited to be joining the school community and Mr. Ware is thrilled to continue serving at Alexis Park.

Teachers have been busy getting classrooms ready to welcome students. All of the staff have been working hard to prepare learning spaces school-wide for the upcoming school year. We send a big thank-you to Ms. Holliday and Ms. Gendall, and the rest of the SD22 custodial team, for making the school shine. Alexis Park looks amazing!

Please read these important updates for September start-up information. Here's to a wonderful year ahead as we work together to help all of the Alexis Park Eagles soar! *Mrs. Friesen, Mrs. Erven-Culler & Mr. Ware*

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

Tuesday, September 6th - 8:25am-11:25am

We cannot wait to see students and families on the first day and hope you stop by the photo wall out front of the school to snap a picture!

At the welcome bell, new students will gather at the flag poles to be greeted and returning students will go to their last year's line-up location.

CLASS PLACEMENTS

We will not know the enrolment figures until the end of the first week of school. Students will return to their last year's classroom until new class lists are determined.

Class placement information will be sent home with each student when we are able to settle into our 2022-2023 classrooms.

KINDERGARTEN

Wednesday, September 7th

Group A: 9:00am-11:00am

Group B: 12:00pm-2:00pm

Kindergarten students are in Group A or Group B. Please check your Kindergarten Gradual Entry Schedule for your child's specific time. If you have questions about gradual entry, please phone the office.

HEALTH & SAFETY

We want the learning community to be a safe and healthy environment. Please be health aware and do a health check, keeping your Eagle home if they are sick.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- September 5 School Closed – Holiday
- September 6 First Day of School, Grades 1-7
Welcome Bell 8:25am
Early Dismissal 11:25am
Busses run 3 hours early
- September 7 Kindergarten Gradual Entry Begins
- September 12 Kindergarten Bus Safety
- September 19 First Full-Day of Kindergarten & Kindergarten Bussing
Grades 1-7 Bus Safety
- September 20 PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm
- September 23 Terry Fox Run
- September 26 Non-Instructional Day – No School
- September 29 Orange Shirt Day
- September 30 National Truth & Reconciliation Day – School Closed

EVERY STUDENT, EVERY DAY

Regular attendance at school matters and we miss Alexis Park Eagles when they are not here! Please contact the office if your child(ren) is/are going to be absent or arriving after the welcome bell. Regular school attendance helps Alexis Park Eagles build relationships and a sense of belonging.

VOLUNTEERS

Our school learning environment is enhanced when community members participate. We encourage you to volunteer often – you are welcome here! It is a Ministry of Education and Child Care requirement that all volunteers must provide a cleared Criminal Record Check prior to working with children. Please contact Mrs. Inkster in the office if you require the school access code to complete a CRC. There is no fee for this application.

BELL SCHEDULE

8:25am – Welcome Bell
10:15am – Recess Begins
10:30am – Recess Ends
12:20pm – Eat Lunch
12:35pm – Outdoor Play
1:06pm – Lunch Ends
2:25pm – Dismissal Bell

PARKING

The parking lot is a busy place and safety is our top priority! Parking is extremely limited and is needed to accommodate the large staff at Alexis Park Elementary.

Please use the drop-off/pick-up zone to keep the bus lane free of vehicles, being careful to not block entrances and exits.

We ask that cars are turned off so as not to idle.

PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION

For our returning families, if your contact information or address has changed over the summer, please contact Mrs. Inkster in the office to update your information.

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SCHOOL SUPPLY FEE

We have pre-ordered student school supply materials for the 2022-2023 school year. School supply fees are:

- Kindergarten to Grade 3: \$60
- Grade 4 to Grade 7: \$65

It is recommended that families purchase the school supplies through Alexis Park. If you choose to purchase your own supplies, you are still required to pay a \$10 agenda fee and a \$5 cultural fee.

ALLERGY ALERT

We are a nut-aware school with some severe allergies. If your child is in a classroom that requires a nut-free zone, classroom teachers will communicate this to families.

Thank-you for helping keep all Eagles safe!

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION

Morning outdoor supervision begins at 7:50am until the welcome bell at 8:25am.

After the 2:25pm school dismissal bell, there is supervision for students who ride busses.

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

All parents and guardians of students registered at Alexis Park are able to participate and be members of the Parent Advisory Council (PAC).

The first PAC meeting is set for September 20th at 6:30pm at the school.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Important documents are attached for you:

- School District Calendar
- School Supply Fees
- School Code of Conduct
- MyEd Login Information
- Volunteer Letter - Online Application

SCHOOL NEWSFEED

Stay up-to-date on current information from Alexis Park Elementary:



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