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Dear Parents and Guardians:

As you know, Pauline Johnson was part of the Central Mountain Accommodation Review that addressed the needs of our facilities and the efficient use school space as enrolment changes.

As Cardinal Heights, Eastmount Park and Linden Park schools close in June 2015, Pauline Johnson will become a Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 school and will be welcoming new students in September 2015. We are now in the process of planning transition activities to help students settle into their new school.

It's an exciting time for our school because we will receive upgrades including a four-classroom addition for full-day kindergarten, a three-classroom addition, full gym expansion and elevator and window replacement. While Cardinal Heights is closing, the building will remain open and become a two-campus school with Pauline Johnson until the renovations at our school are completed in September 2016.

As the renovations begin we will use the former Cardinal Heights school site to accommodate our students on a twinned campus. In September the following classes will be housed at the Pauline Johnson North (formerly Cardinal Heights):

- One Grade 5 class
- One Grade 6 class
- Three Kindergarten classes
- Five Intermediate (Grade 7 or 8) classes

Temporarily moving these classes is necessary in 2015-2016 due to the extensive construction. This will ensure student safety and access to a quiet learning environment. It will also enable access to the gym and areas for physical activity at Pauline Johnson North for all students during construction.

We appreciate your support as we revitalize our schools. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Principal Colin Hazell at 905-388-1761 or myself at 905-527-5092 ext. 2622.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Prendergast". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Michael Prendergast
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