

# Buchanan Park School



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As this year comes to a close we are experiencing such mixed emotions. We are so sad that we will not have the opportunity to say farewell in person to our Grade 6 students, or to staff members who may be leaving our school, but we are so thankful for our health and the health of our loved ones in the midst of this crisis. Buchanan Park has Great Students, Great Staff, Great Parents and a Great Community! Thank you to all for your patience and understanding during this tumultuous year. As we say farewell “virtually” to all of our Grade 6’s, we know we will miss our awesome grade 6 leaders as they move on to Westview. But we look forward to seeing a new group of grade 5’s become just as great leaders in their own right. In closing, I want to wish all the students, families, and Staff a very safe, healthy and happy summer holiday!

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## School Organization: 2020-2021

Please be aware that this organization may need to be changed at the end of September depending on numbers of students registered. **Please See Page Two of this letter for Bell Times for Next Year (Please note the NEW time for Nutrition Break 1. All other times including Nutrition Break 2 remain unchanged)**

We have many staff members who will be moving on at the close of the year.

**Ms. MacDonald** has resigned from the HWDSB. We wish her well.

**Mr. Nicol** has obtained a permanent position teaching Kindergarten at **Dr. J. Edgar Davey School**.

**Ms. Barker** will be moving to **Elizabeth Bagshaw school**.

**Ms. Puric** will be leaving our school to work with ELL students elsewhere in HWDSB.

**Ms. Upper** will be moving on to another HWDSB school.

**Ms. Bixby** will also be moving on to another HWDSB school.

**Ms. Steeves, Ms. Wysocka-Chalcarz (Ms. W) and Ms. O’Neill’s** Long Term Occasional positions here at the school must end with the close of the school year, but we are hopeful that they will be able to return to Buchanan even if just for the occasional supply day.

We want to thank all of these staff members for their excellent work and service at Buchanan Park, and we wish them all the best in their future.

We are pleased to be welcoming **Ms. R. Schmelzle and Ms. D. Paone** to the Buchanan Park Staff as our two new **FDK (Full Day Kindergarten)** teachers. Ms. Schmelzle will be working with Ms. Saunders in the big room. Ms. Paone while on staff at Buchanan teaching FDK in the small Kindergarten class, will actually start her time on our staff with a Maternity leave beginning on September 4 and therefore we will have another Long Term Occasional teacher in that class for the 2020-21 school year, to be announced in September.

Unfortunately with the moving on of so many of our ESL students in Grade 6, we no longer qualify for a part time ESL teacher based at our school. We will continue to receive support from a travelling ESL Consultant who will visit our school a few times per month. We also welcome one new permanent EA on staff, **Ms. Alucema** who will be supporting many of our students with high needs.

J/SK-A – Ms. R. Schmelzle-Teacher/Ms. Saunders-DECE

J/SK-B-Ms. Paone (LTO to be announced)

Grade 1/2A – Ms. Hammell (EA: Ms. Alucema 1/2 time)

Grade 1/2B– Ms. Kellam

Grade 3 --Ms. B. Neil (EA: Ms. Alucema 1/2 time)

Grade 4/5 – Ms. Martens and Mr. Sinnott

Grade 5/6 – Ms. Falcone (EA: Ms. Clemence)

Junior Comprehensive Class— Mr. Calabrese (EA: Ms. Chomej)

Music — Ms. D. Martens

French— Mr. F. Zorzetto

Learning Resource—Ms. S. Myke

Caretaking: Mr. D. Wardell, Mr. M. Griese

Office Administrator: Ms. K. Hall



## 2020-21 SCHOOL BELL TIMES

Playground Opens 8:50

**(\*Same Time\*)** Entry Bell 9:00

Period 1 9:00 – 9:40

Period 2 9:40 – 10:40

**(\*NEW Time\*)** First Nutritional Break **10:40 – 11:20**

Period 3 11:20 — 12:00

Period 4 12:00 — 12:40

Period 5 12:40 — 1:20

**(\*Same Time\*)** Second Nutritional Break **1:20 – 2:00**

Period 6 2:00 — 2:40

Period 7 2:40 — 3:20

**(\*Same Time\*)** Dismissal Bell 3:20

School Grounds Close 3:35