

DUNDAS CENTRAL SCHOOL 73 Melville Street, Dundas, ON L9H 2A2 905-627-3521

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Caregivers

In an effort to provide for a safer dismissal of our youngest students, we will be starting some new routines as of January 7, 2019. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but know you will support our efforts to increase student safety.

Kindergarten Classes

Mrs. Pipe's class will be dismissed from the gate on the north side of the fenced kindergarten area. Mrs. Guyatt's students will be dismissed from main playground gate beside the sign "Keep Gate Closed". Kindergarten students will not be dismissed onto the main playground, thus parents or caregivers picking up kindergarten students are asked to gather outside the playground on the paved surface north of the kindergarten play area. This will allow our teachers to more effectively dismiss kindergarten students directly to their parents/caregivers in a more controlled manner. The kindergarten teacher's DECE partner will escort students participating in our after school program to their assigned meeting place.

We request that Kindergarten parents/caregivers <u>not</u> gather on the main playground, but rather wait on the paved surface between the kindergarten play area and the school.

Grade 1 to 8 Classes

To avoid congestion around the kindergarten dismissal area, all other students will exit the school through one of the two playground doors. No students in Grades 1 to 8 will be permitted to exit the school through the front doors. The parking lot doors are never to be used for student entry or exit, unless accompanied by a parent/caregiver when participating in the before/after school care program. The parking lot is a dangerous place for students to walk if not with an adult.

We request that Grade 1 to 8 parents/caregivers wait for their children on the south side of the play-ground, away from the dismissal of our kindergarten students. If you are picking up both a kindergarten and older student, please pick up your kindergarten student first and then proceed along the sidewalk to the other playground entrance to meet your older child.

All parents/caregivers

We appreciate your understanding and patience as we institute new protocols to keep our students as safe as possible.

On behalf of the Dundas Central staff

John Bradley
Principal