



# Earl Kitchener Elementary School

*Earl Kitchener Families!*

June 2022 ... some final thoughts.

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**We made it!**

**Just wanted to share a few thoughts and some information around the end of the current school year and preparing for the start of school in September 2022.**

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**Some good byes and well wishes ...** in our system, it is not uncommon for staff to move on to working at different locations from time to time. Sometimes these are 'permanent staff' and sometimes this could be 'LTO' (Long Term Occasional) who take on extended roles for staff who are off for any number of reasons.

- Permanent staff headed to new schools for the fall are Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Maas and Ms. Hartmier.
- Long Term Occasional staff leaving EK are Ms. Mulligan, Mrs. Lardi, Mme Komazec, Mme Marchese, Mr. Eckart, Mrs. Kaur, Ms. McKinney and Mrs. Liu.

**We wish everyone all the best in their new roles!**

**Welcome new staff! With the departure of some we welcome new staff and also welcome back some returning staff,**

- **Mme Bulloch ...** returns to Grade 1 FI
- **Mme Jenkins ...** returns to Grade 1 FI
- **Mme Baker ...** returns to Grade 5 FI (in December)
- **Mme Kirsten Long ...** joins us teaching a Grade 3/4 FI class
- **Mr. Stewart MacNeil ...** joins us teaching a Grade 3 English Homeroom class.
- **Mr. Sean Minich ...** joins us teaching a Grade 5 English Homeroom class.

**Term 2 Reprt cards ...** T2 Reports were given out to students who were present on Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. For those children not present this week, the reports are mailed out to families directly.

**Class Placement / Teacher information for September 2022 ...** this information will be given to students on the final day of school (Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup>). For any students not present on this day, families can begin reaching out to the school the week of Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Just so all are aware, this (class placement) is another example of information that will be moving to the Parent Portal in the future. Families will apparently be directed to log in the week prior to the start of school to find teacher and class information.

**School reopening 2022/2023** ... while the first day for most children is Tuesday, September, 6<sup>th</sup> (after labour day), Elementary Schools are 'open for business' the week of Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup> apart from Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup> (a PA Day for staff training and PD). JK and 'new to SK' students come in by appointment on September 6<sup>th</sup> and all FDK students are here as of September 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Class Building** ... the class building process in Elementary Schools generally begins in late April and takes several weeks for us to complete for the end of June while we work to ensure that classes are balanced in numerous ways while also doing our best to maintain at least a 'friend or two' for new classes in the fall. All staff play a part and we go through several drafts before completing our final class lists.

**Our FIRST School Council and Home and School** meetings for the 2022/2023 school year will be held on the evening of Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 pm in our Learning Commons (library). Please consider joining us to learn more about what's happening here at EK and if you are interested in additional details, please reach out to either of the following;

**EK School Council:** earlkitchenerSC@hwdsb.on.ca

**EK Home and School Association:** ekhomeandschool@gmail.com

***Wishing you all a safe, fantastic summer and thank you for the continued help and support in making Earl Kitchener School a great place to be!***

**Mr. Thorne, Mrs. Macnab and the staff of Earl Kitchener School.**

