



# Sir William Osler Elementary School

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## Welcome Back Sir William Osler Students and Families!

It is with great excitement that I am happy to say the start of school is just around the corner.

Our amazing caretaking team has been busy all summer getting the school clean and ready for the students to arrive on **Wednesday, September 6**. The hallways and classrooms look fantastic. Also, this week, many staff have already been in the building getting our learning spaces ready for a fun year of learning.

We know trusting our staff with your precious children is a big responsibility. Our passionate staff of educators and support staff are up for the task. As acting principal, I am new to Sir William Osler. I was a teacher next door at the former Highland Secondary, so it feels like coming home to be here at SWO. I'm excited to be a part of this community and part of this excellent school. I can say that I have never seen a group of dedicated and caring people such as SWO staff. Your children are in great hands. We also know through experience that the first few days often brings about nervous feelings and sometimes tears (for students and parents). Please know, that we are here as your partners in education to help make this transition as smooth as possible.

Please note that Tuesday, September 5 is a PA Day where staff will be in the building getting ready for the coming year. **Grade 1-8 students start school on Wednesday September 6 at 9:15 AM.**

Our new Junior Kindergarten (JK) students will have scheduled appointments to meet their educators on Wednesday, September 6. Parents and guardians can expect to hear from their child's educators in the coming days for their appointment time.

Our Senior Kindergarten (SK) students join their junior kindergarten classmates on Thursday, September 7. All students (Grade JK-8) will now be in the school as of this date.

Upon arrival on Wednesday September 6, starting at 9:15 AM, students will find their homeroom entry lineup on the backfield area for the year and meet their educators there. If any student is unsure who their teacher is, please find a staff member wearing an orange vest. These staff members will have a list of students and their teachers and will be able to assist in getting students to the correct homeroom line.

We look forward to seeing you all next Wednesday and Thursday. For now, enjoy the remainder of the summer break!

Sincerely,

Brent Wallace  
Acting Principal – Sir William Osler Elementary School