



Viscount Montgomery Elementary School

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Viscount Montgomery Newsletter

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I am so proud of our students, staff, caregivers, and community for working so hard this year. We have been presented many challenges over the past two school years and we have grown and continued to progress. During this historic pandemic, we have learned to persevere and support each other even more. I would personally like to thank our Viscount Families for being supportive during the past years as we navigated remote learning and changing public health measures.

Administrative Changes

It's that time of the year, when we sometimes see changes to our administrative team. Although Mr. Strecker has only been with us for a very short time, he is moving to Tiffany Hills in the Fall. We appreciate how he stepped into the role during the pandemic and supported our school with remote learning. We wish him well with his new role.

It's with a heavy heart that I announce that I will be moving to Guy Brown Elementary

School in the Fall. My 5 school years at Viscount Montgomery have been like no other in my career. I would like to thank the staff for learning and collaborating with me as we always look to find new ideas and strategies to support our students and school. The Viscount Community is very lucky to have an amazing team of educators and staff. Next, I would like to thank the parents and caregivers. I am always impressed on how the Viscount Community pulls together during good and bad times. I appreciate how you have supported not only your children but our staff as well. Finally, I like to thank the students at Viscount Montgomery. I learned a lot from you and I hope you learned a lot from me. You have always been proud of your school and community. Please continue on your journey as you have always made me proud!

Welcome!

Although, I am very sad to be leaving and will miss all of you, I leave you in great hands. Your

new Principal will be Dave Schroeder and your new Vice Principal will be Mr. Robertson. Mr. Schroeder is currently the principal at C.B. Stirling and joins us with lots of experience. He is a team player with lots of energy and ideas. He is the perfect leader for Viscount. Mr. Robertson is coming to Viscount as a part-time Vice Principal. He has supported many schools in our board and comes with experience as well. Please join me in welcoming this new team!

Student Belongings

As you have probably read already, students will have an opportunity to pick up their belongings on the 28th. Please see the chart below for times to come to the school. Also, please keep the following in mind.

- All items will be bagged on Monday morning by the staff.
- Please come to the school during your slotted time.



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- Please come to your child's entry/dismissal door
- Teachers will meet you outside that door. They will give you your bag
- Please adhere to public health guidelines: Wear a mask, 6 feet apart, complete the attestation (symptoms)
- After you pick up your child's belonging and say farewell to their teacher, please exit the school yard.

12:00-12:30	Lipsett, Walker, Novo
12:30-1:00	O'Neill, Hazzard
1:00-1:30	Mrs. Kellner, Hewitson
1:30-2:00	Enns, Mr. Kellner, Vanwanrooy
2:00-2:30	Fenton, Henry, Jong, Sotra

Pictures

Pictures will be handed out the 28th during pick up.

Bell Times:

As a reminder, our bell times for next year will 9:15-3:35.

Staffing for 2021/2022

We would like to wish the following staff a farewell, thank you and best wishes as they move onto new journeys within our school board:

Ms. Vanwanrooy
Ms. Barrett
Mr. Jouini
Mr. Hewitson
Ms. Zanze
Ms. Mahr

Please join me in welcoming the following staff

Ms. Mousseau, LRT
Ms. Campello, Grade 2
Ms. Hamilton, French
Ms. Smith, EA
Mr. Stuparyk, EA

Class List

As the same with last year, we will not be informing families of classes yet. Due to the pandemic and constant changes, class list will not be finalized until the week before school. Teachers will email you before the school year starts.

Moving/Transferring Schools

If you have moved out of our catchment area, please let our office know as soon as possible. We are in the process of supporting families with

transitions to their new schools. This also supports us in class building at Viscount as well as your new catchment school.

Summer Office Hours

Our office will be closed for the summer starting June 29th. We will reopen on August 30th

Summer Reading Program

K-3 Summer Reading Challenge

We are encouraging our Primary students to take part in our Summer Reading Challenge!! We are sharing an electronic copy of the Reading Log. If you cannot access it, just keep a list of books read. Once a book has been read, colour in the number on the Reading Log and record the name of the text. For students reading chapter books they can colour in a number after each chapter. In September bring your Summer Reading Log back to school to select and take home a new book!

If you do not have access to a variety of books at home, you can find some using the following links.

<https://www.uniteforliteracy.com/>



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<https://portal.flyleafpublishing.com/learners-resources/>

The board digital library (SORA)
(students need their OEN# to login)

Summer

We hope that our Viscount Families enjoy their summer! You deserve a nice long break free of remote learning! Try to get outside and enjoy the weather as much as possible. We look forward to hearing how your much-needed break goes! Happy Summer!