

## **Ecole Christine Morrison Elementary**

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Welcome back, Christine Morrison families!

We are thrilled to have your children as part of our school community and, for those new to our school, ecstatic to be part of their educational journey.

As we finalize new classes, please be assured that we carefully consider various factors such as friendships, academics, and student maturity when making class placements. You may notice that most of our classrooms are now split classrooms, which is similar across the district. The reason is that the curriculum has changed from content-based learning to individual skill-based learning. Split classes provide increased flexibility, allowing teachers to better cater to students at their individual academic levels. Additionally, split classrooms are more diverse, offering students the opportunity to make friends across different age groups and fostering their social and emotional development. Our school is very full, and we currently have waitlists for both programs.

On Monday, September 9th, students will transition into their new classrooms during the school day. Kindly drop them off at their old classroom, and you will receive an email by 2 pm with information about where to pick them up. We also ask you to send school supplies on Tuesday, September 10th.

At ECME, we believe in working together and creating a diverse and inclusive school community. Here's how you can pitch in:

- Volunteer with our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) in classrooms, or on field trips!
- Please stay connected with your child's teachers and chat about their learning.
- Let us know about your unique cultures and heritage. We'd love to learn from you!

There are numerous ways to stay informed and remind your student to be attentive to school announcements; we encourage you to read this newsletter and regularly check our updated website for the latest news and events.

Lastly, if you need to reach us, feel free to catch us outside in the morning or after school. The best way to reach us is via email at shannon.greig@mpsd.ca or bobby.chilaka@mpsd.ca.



## **Upcoming dates:**

**Fri Sept 12** – 9am Assembly. Thu Sept 19 -Terry Fox Run Fri Sept 20 -Photo Day Thu Sept 26 – 9am Truth and Rec Assembly Thu Sept 26 -Orange Shirt Day Fri Sept 27 – Non Instructional Day Mon Sept 30 -National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (No School) **Fri Oct 4** – 9am Assembly Mon Oct 14 -Thanksgiving

## Sports:

Day

Basketball is starting this month for Grade 6

Fri Oct 25 – Pro D

Basketball Camp -

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Cross Country for grade 4-6 check website for more information.