



August 22, 2023

Dear PCS Families:

We are looking forward to welcoming you back to school in September and wanted to share some important initial information with you in advance. To provide care for *new elementary students*, and to ease the transition for our youngest students, we are planning a special time on **Tuesday, September 5**. Here are the details by grade level:

- **Kindergarten:** All kindergarten students are welcome to drop in from 9:30 - 10:30 for an Open House to meet their teachers. Parents are invited to join their children during this drop-in time!
- **Grades 1 - 3:** All **new primary students** are invited to a special drop-in Open House from 9:30 - 10:30 to find and visit their classroom and meet their teachers. Parents, you are invited to bring your children during that drop-in one-hour visiting time. **Returning Grade 1-3 Students** are invited to do the same from 10:30 - 11:30. New students are welcome to join returning students during this second hour of the Open House if they prefer.
- **Grades 4 - 7:** All **new students** are invited to a drop-in Open House from 9:30 - 10:30 to visit their classrooms and meet their teachers. Parents are also invited to join them during this time.

We ask that returning Grades 4 - 7 students do not come to the school on Tuesday unless they have been invited by staff who are organizing the welcome for new students. Please allow staff and student volunteers to focus their efforts on helping our new students get settled.

Wednesday, September 6, grades 1 - 7 will return for a full day of classes. Please note that this will be on our "late start" schedule, which means arrival for students is 9:00 am.

Our school timetable this year is as follows (K-7):

- M, T, Th, and Fri **8:25 to 2:50**
- Wednesdays **9:00 to 2:50**

Students are strongly encouraged to arrive prior to 8:25 to ease congestion in the parking lot. Outside supervision begins at 8:15 (M/T/Th/F) or 8:50 (W) and after school till 3:05.

Thursday, September 7, parents are invited to drop in for a **Meet the Teacher evening** starting at 5:45. Please do not bring students to this event.

We pray that you continue to enjoy some rest over these last couple of weeks of summer.

Blessings,
The PCS Team