

GR. 1 NEWS

Welcome Back! Hope everyone had a restful summer!

Snacks/Lunches

Students will have two fitness breaks throughout the day. They will eat in their classroom for each break. Please discuss with your child how they will divide their lunch to eat it between two lunch breaks. Please ensure your child has enough snacks for each break. All food must be NUT FREE! Please label all containers with your child's name on it.

Money Collection

It would be greatly appreciated if money can be brought to school in a sealed envelope or ziploc bag. Please make sure your child's name is on the bag.

Birthdays

Within our classroom we would like to recognize and celebrate birthdays. Students are welcome to bring in a special snack (nut free). We have 20 students in our classroom. Weekend birthdays can be celebrated on Monday or Friday.

Welcome to Grade 1

Welcome to Grade one! I am looking forward to spending an exciting year learning together with you and your child at Prince Philip School.

This year will be a big change for your child. Going to school for a full day is tiring to many students. It usually take some time to become adjusted to the new schedule and routines of their new classroom.

School begins at 8:45 and finishes at 3:05 pm. Please make sure that students arrive on time ready to start the day with his/her classmates. Students will be entering and exiting through the door closest to the primary playground at the back of the school. Although we do have a door closer to the grade one classroom, that door is always locked as per our safe school policy.

Scholastic Book Orders

We will be offering the Scholastic Book Club to families this year. Each month an order form will be sent home with your child. The book order is a great way to select books at your child's reading and interest level. Selecting books together is a great way to get your child excited about their reading. Ongoing reading to your



Toys

It is recommended that all personal toys be left at home. Students are welcome to bring a skipping rope or ball to use during fitness breaks as long as items are labelled and students realize that it is their responsibility to care for and keep track of the items.

Who else will be in our class?

The students will also be working with Mrs. Hirniak for music and art, and Ms. Workman for Physical Education.

What your child needs to have..

Students should have labeled, velcro, or laced (if they know how to independently tie them) non-marking running shoes for physical education, which can also be used for their indoor shoes. Sock feet, crocs and sandals are not permitted in the physical education classes.

child and encouraging them to read to you, even a few words here or there, and reading together is a fantastic way to end the day and spend some one on one time with your child.

If you are interested in any of the books, please return the order form and payment by the due date listed on the calendar. Cheques or cash will be accepted. Cheques must be written to Scholastic Canada Ltd. If the books you are purchasing are a surprise or a gift just write me a note on the order and we can decide on how the books will get home (maybe in a large envelope or can be picked up at the end of the school day).

What will be Learning?

Literacy- Different ways to read a book (reading the pictures, retelling a story they have already heard and reading the words on a page). Students will be developing strategies to help them become better readers (sounding out words and previewing a book).

Numeracy- we will start with Patterning. Students will be working on recognizing, creating, extending and explaining patterns. Please encouraged your child to look around their environment for patterns that they see. (big, small, big, small. green, blue, green, blue)

On going practice counting by 1's to 50 and counting backwards and from 20 would also strongly benefit your child.

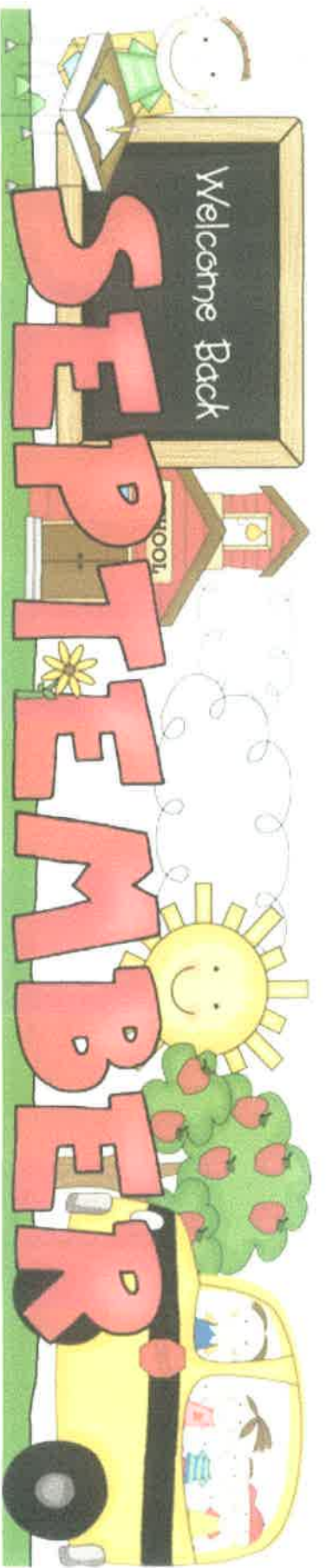
Social Studies - we will be discussing roles and responsibilities. Students will work to discover more about themselves and what their roles are in the school setting and family. We will also find out more about the roles and responsibility of the important people in our school.

Science- we will be focusing on experimenting and using our senses to observe and problem solve. Students will be encouraged to explain what they have observed and what they have learned from their experiments or what they would change.

I look forward to working with you and your child throughout the year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. C Matier



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Labour Day No School	7 Welcome Back First Day of School	8	9	10 Spirit Day	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Early Release Day Students are dismissed at noon! Terry Fox Walk at 11:00	18	19
20	21 Picture Day	22	23 First Day of Fall	24	25	26
27 Scholastic Book Fair begins	28	29	30			