



September 3, 2021

Hello Princess Elizabeth Families!

The staff at Princess Elizabeth have been working hard this week to get the school ready for the return of our amazing students. We are so excited to have them all back in person. On Thursday our teachers were calling families to inform them of their child's class placement. We have had a tremendous amount of registrations this week so class lists have been shuffling constantly. In the case that the teacher missed you, was unable to leave a message or we are missing the most up to date contact information please do not worry. On the first day of school all staff will be outside to help direct students who are unsure. However, I completely understand if they would like to know ahead of time, in which case you can email me directly to find out jaimie.sinnett@dsbn.org or becki.falardeau@dsbn.org

As with every new school year our class lists are not final until the middle of September. Quite often we have to re-organize due to new registrations. We know this is not ideal, but in some cases is necessary. We thank you in advance for your understanding. We also are unable to accommodate class switches or requests at this time. If there is information that is pertinent to be shared contact the school directly.

The transition back to in person learning is exciting for some, but we also understand for some of our students they are nervous. As a parent myself I can also understand that some of our parents/guardians may be nervous. I want to assure you that at Princess Elizabeth we always do our very best to make sure every child feels welcomed and is safe. We have an amazing staff that are here to make this a great year!

HOT LUNCHES

Some parents have been enquiring about this. For now hot lunches are on hold. We hope to have information about the start up of these soon.

KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

All students will begin the first day of school. There will be NO staggered entry for our JK students to begin the year.

STUDENTS WITH MEDICAL NEEDS

If you have a child with medical needs that the school needs to be aware of, or they require medication at school such as an epipen, inhaler etc. Please fill out the attached forms for the appropriate conditions. This helps us ensure we can keep your child safe. These forms are also available on our website.

<https://princesseliz.dsbn.org/documents/plan-of-care---anaphylaxis.pdf>

<https://princesseliz.dsbn.org/documents/plan-of-care---asthma.pdf>

<https://princesseliz.dsbn.org/documents/plan-of-care---diabetes.pdf>

<https://princesseliz.dsbn.org/documents/plan-of-care---epilepsy.pdf>

<https://princesseliz.dsbn.org/documents/plan-of-care---general.pdf>

BREAKFAST CLUB

In the past we have always offered a breakfast club in the morning for any student that wishes to participate. Due to covid we are unable to run it as we usually do. Instead we will offer individually

packaged items for students.

DSBN RETURN to SCHOOL PARENT GUIDE and KINDERGARTEN PARENT GUIDE (attached)

Please carefully read the attached Parent Guide or Kindergarten Parent Guide. It will answer many of your back to school questions!

[DSBN Back to School Guide 2021](#)

[DSBN Kindergarten Parent Guide](#)

BUSSING

For information about your bussing, please log in to <https://nsts.ca/> Be sure to OPT IN! Please ensure you have done this as soon as possible. If you registered this past week bussing most likely will not be available to you until the 2nd week of school. Continue to check the nsts website regularly.

FIRST DAY DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Walkers:

For the first day parents can enter the playground with their child to find their designated meeting spot. After the first day parents/guardians can say goodbye at the entrances/ gates and allow their child to get to their area on their own. This is for the safety of all our students. We will have staff outside from 8:50 on to help with this. At the end of the day please wait until dismissal time at 3:25 to enter the playground. We kindly ask that only parents of our younger students enter the playground to meet their child at their designated space. Older students (Grade 4 and up) please make a designated meeting spot. Students do not enter the front door, unless they arrive after the bell at 9:05 am.

Kiss and Ride:

Please see attached Kiss and Ride Memo

[KISS AND RIDE PROCEDURE](#)

PARENT SCREENING AGREEMENT (School Cash ONLINE, sent home first day)

You will be receiving a Parent Screening Agreement.

This can be completed through School Cash ONLINE or on a paper copy sent home on the first day. Please attend to this promptly.

RETURN of TECHNOLOGY

Please bring any technology loaned to you during the At Home Learning to school on the first day and hand it in to the homeroom teacher or office.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Many of our enhanced health and safety procedures are outlined in the Parent Guide. For any specific COVID-19 support, please contact the Niagara Public Health Hotline at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074, press 7

FIRST DAY FORMS

You will still receive Verification Forms and Prevalent Medical Forms on the first day of school.

We will be posting Permission to Participate, Parent Screening Agreement and other forms on School Cash Online.

Be sure to have your account set up. This will reduce the amount of paper going between home and school. You will be able to sign up right on line!

LABEL EVERYTHING

Labelling student items will be important! Please be sure to label shoes, water bottles, lunch pails etc. This greatly helps to ensure students bring home their items. Our school does have a fundraising account with Mabels Labels. If you go to https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/ and type in Princess Elizabeth we get a percentage back to the school.

Princess Elizabeth Information can be found at <https://princesseliz.dsbm.org/>

Follow the amazing things happening at our school on Twitter @PEWelland

We appreciate your kindness and patience as we work through another very different start to our year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Sinnott and Mrs. Falardeau

