



CALEDONIA PARK SCHOOL

'Students of Today, Leaders of Tomorrow'

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Dear Parents / Guardians:

I am very excited to begin this school year with more normalcy than we've had in the past two years, and I'm optimistic that we'll be able to have some fun this year!! Another positive note to begin our year is in thanks to our increased enrollment we've added another section of grade four, which means we have smaller classes to better assist everyone's learning needs.

I have been lucky enough to teach grade 4 many times (so many that I have officially stopped counting), all at Caledonia; this place feels like my second home. Outside of school, most of my time is dedicated to my two boys, aged four and six. I enjoy curling in the winter and in the summer, I like to pretend to golf.

I always look forward to the fresh start of a brand-new school year. For me, this year begins with one main goal- to ensure that your child feels comfortable, safe, and happy at school. In my classroom, I enforce firm, but fair rules, and try my hardest to foster as much independence and accountability as each student is capable of demonstrating. Grade four can be a pivotal transition into greater student independence and responsibility for students' own learning goals.

Below is a brief outline of some classroom information to start our year, although I'm sure there will be more to come!

Communication / Agendas

Once agendas are delivered and distributed, they will become a tool for your child to communicate with you. I typically do not check agendas daily, but will encourage students to utilize them in order to enhance their personal organization skills.

I am best reached by email at kandace.lindholm@blackgold.ca. This is how I typically communicate general classroom updates, information, and minor concerns. You can also reach me by phone at 780-986-7888, or set up an appointment for a meeting. All school newsletters will be uploaded to our school website and can be viewed at: cps.blackgold.ca/parents/newsletters.

Recess/Lunch

Recess and lunch times will be staggered this year so the playgrounds aren't overwhelmed.

AM outdoor recess: 10:00 am – 10:10 am.

Bathroom breaks and in-class snack time: 10:10 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.

PM recess: 11:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Lunch: 12:20 p.m. – 12:43 p.m.

We DO have a microwave in our classroom this year, but please be mindful that students share this luxury, so try to pack food where heat-up time is under two minutes.

I do allow students to eat snacks at their desk throughout the day, if they wish; however, the snacks that they select during class time have to be "brain food" (REAL food)!

Library

Our class has library scheduled once a week (on day 2).

Students will be encouraged to choose two “good-fit” books that suit their own reading level and interests. They will be asked to keep one book in their desk for daily reading.

Phys.Ed.

Students will not be changing their clothes for phys.ed. this year. Our class will have two phys.ed. classes in the gym, and two “daily physical activity” (DPA) classes OUTSIDE per week, all of which will be taught by Mrs. Smith. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor physical activity, every day.

Social

Mrs. Stepanick will be coming to our classroom to teach Social-4 this year.

Homework

I do not assign regular homework. Time is given in class to start all assignments. Any work that is not completed during the allotted class time may be sent home to finish. There may be circumstances where the students are asked to complete a special assignment at home. In these cases, an email will be sent home to describe the assignment expectations. In the event that there is no homework, students are encouraged to have a regular homework routine that includes 15-30 minutes of reading / basic facts practice.

Toys

Please encourage your child not to bring personal toys to school, as these have the potential to get lost or broken.

Lockers

Students will have access to their own locker this year to store their coats and other outdoor gear.

Chromebooks

If your child has their own personal chromebook, they are encouraged to bring it to school after the first day. Please ensure it is unboxed and functioning before sending it to school. Personal chromebooks will be taken home each night for charging.

I am looking forward to working with you and your child to make this a successful and memorable school year. Please take a moment to fill out the google form questionnaire attached in my email. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Kandace Lindholm