

# P.E. McGibbon Public School

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#### Welcome Back Grizzlies!

The staff at P.E. McGibbon Public School would like to welcome all of our families to the 2018-2019 school year. A special greeting is extended to our new students and their families who have moved into our school community. School staff have been very busy preparing for the new school year. Our school looks fantastic due to the hard work and the exceptional efforts of the custodial staff. A great deal of work throughout the summer went into making each and every corner of our school sparkle! To have a successful school it takes the dedicated efforts of parents, students, family members, community leaders and educators all working together. Each of us has the ability to help our students experience success and we look forward to working together with you and your child(ren) to reach this goal. As always, communication is the key to ensuring your child has a successful year. We encourage you to keep the lines of communication open and invite you to contact the school should you have any questions or concerns. We wish all of you the very best as we begin a new, exciting school year!

Sincerely,

Eryn Smit Cam Gordon Principal Vice-Principal

P.E. McGibbon Staff 2018-2019	
Name	Position
Laura Heggie	Teacher - ELP 1
Diana Doornbosch	ECE
Kristy Fraser	Teacher - ELP 2
Jan O'Brien	ECE
Jacinda Dudman	Teacher - ELP 3
Shaun Benoit	ECE
Allison Faas	Teacher - ELP 4
Laura Larocque	ECE
Jennifer Chambers	Grade 1A
Keith Jones	Grade 1B
Chantima Oliveira	Grade 1/2
Jen Gilpin	Grade 2
Robin Childs	Grade 2/3
Robyn Klompstra	Grade 3A

Norma Cannon-King	Grade 3B
April Mason	Grade 4A
Denise Jones	Grade 4B
Kristen Veenendaal	Grade 4/5
Kate Bezaire	Grade 5/6A
Alicia Schenck	Grade 5/6B
Sean Hogan	Grade 5/6C
Heather Moran	Grade 5/6D
Greg Van Bunderen	Grade 5/6E
Corey Dixon	Grade 7/8A
Lyndsay Helps	Grade 7/8B
Taylor McPhail	Grade 7/8C
Craig Steadman	Grade 7/8D
Simon Kennefick	FSL / PREP
Dawn Babbey	FSL / PREP
Christena Churchill	PREP / Phys Ed
Allison Clift	PREP / Arts
Angela Wade	Resource
Sharon Chapman	Resource/PREP
Joey Burnley	0.5 Prep
Education Assistants	
Michelle Burgess	Educational Assistant
Jennifer Clements	Educational Assistant
Shannon Cox	Educational Assistant
Brenda Fleischer	Educational Assistant
Amy Fraser	Educational Assistant
Jill Hayes	Educational Assistant
Julia Martindale	Educational Assistant
Dina McPhee	Educational Assistant
Tina Stewart	Educational Assistant
Kathleen McLean	Educational Assistant

Office Support	
Kate Brown	Secretary
Stacey Stewart	Receptionist
Deanna McLaughlin	Receptionist
Custodial Staff	
Anne Stewart	Custodian
Deborah Yates	Custodian
Administration	
Eryn Smit	Principal
Cam Gordon	Vice Principal

### **OPEN HOUSE**

Please plan on attending our Open House that will take place on Tuesday, Sept 18 from 5-7pm. Come and meet our teachers, administration and other parents. Further information will follow shortly. Be sure to visit the SCHOLASTIC Book Fair during our Open House.

# **HOT LUNCH**

Our first Pizza Day of the school year will take place on Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup>. All funds are due to the office by Friday September 21<sup>st</sup>.

## **PICTURE DAY**

Picture day is scheduled for Wednesday September 19, 2018.

# **BALANCED DAY SCHEDULE**

Supervised Yard: (15 mins) 8:35 a.m. 8:50 a.m.

Entry Bell: 8:50 a.m.

First Instructional Block (120 mins) 8:50 a.m. 10:50 a.m.

Nutritional/Recess Break (40 mins) 10:50 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

Second Instructional Block (100 mins) 11:30 a.m. 1:10 p.m.

Nutritional/Recess Break (40 mins) 1:10 p.m. 1:50 p.m.

Third Instructional Block (80 mins) 1:50 p.m. 3:10 p.m.

Dismissal 3:10 p.m.

## **ALLERGIES, NUTS and PERFUME**

Many children and staff members have severe allergies to peanuts, peanut butter and other nuts. In some cases, these allergies can be fatal. We are asking for your help as a member of our caring and responsible school community. Please do not send your child with any nuts or peanut butter for either lunches or snacks. While we realize that this may be an inconvenience, we are asking that you put yourself in the place of the parents of children with severe allergies. We want our school environment to be safe and healthy for all our students. Thank

you for your understanding. We have a number of staff and students who have severe allergies to perfume. This can trigger nausea, migraines and other intense physical reactions. To make the learning and teaching environment comfortable for all, we would ask that students, parents and staff limit their application of scented products while in the school. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### CONSENT FOR AUTHORIZATION OF MEDICATION

If it is necessary for a student to take medication at school, Board policy requires us to have a Medical Physician complete a consent form. Please request the blank form from our school secretary. Students should place any medication in the teacher's hands as soon as they arrive at school with it.

# Appendix B: Permission for Use of Student Personal Information

Throughout the school year, we may photograph, audiotape or videotape students involved in activities and may recognize their achievements in school/classroom newsletters or our school website, School Twitter, etc. In addition the newspaper or local media may be present to cover certain events. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, a signed permission is required for the photographing or filming of student participation in these activities. If you give permission, please complete Appendix B – Notification and Permission for the Use of Student Personal Information and return to the school as soon as possible.

#### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

The Breakfast Program will begin Monday September 10th. The breakfast program runs Monday-Friday and is supervised from 8:15 a.m. through 8:35 a.m. Thank you to our staff members and community volunteers for their continued support with this program.

#### **VISITORS-PARENTS-GUARDIANS**

In compliance with the Ministry of Education regulations, P.E. McGibbon will be joining all other schools in LKDSB and will be securing all doors and entrances into the school. Effective Tuesday, September 4, 2018, all doors will be locked, including the front door of the school. Visitors and students who are arriving late to school will ring the intercom to gain entrance into the school. In the interest of everyone's safety and so that the classes can work free from distractions, anyone visiting during school hours for any reason is asked to first report to the school office to receive a visitor badge and to sign in. Visitors in the yard will be asked to report to the office. Anyone in the school without an ID badge will be asked for identification. This year, the visitor badges will be issued by the Board and limited in number. Upon leaving the building, we require the badge returned to the office when you sign out. Parents/Guardians are asked to wait outside the school at the end of the school day. Students will be dismissed by staff from the classrooms.

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR School begins Tuesday, September 4, 2019 -- School concludes Thursday, June 27, 2019

# **Holidays**

Monday, October 8, 2018 THANKSGIVING Monday, December 24, 2018 CHRISTMAS BREAK Monday, January 7, 2019 RETURN TO SCHOOL Monday, February 18, 2019 FAMILY DAY March, 12-16, 2019 MARCH BREAK Friday, April 19, 2019 GOOD FRIDAY Monday, April 22, 2019 EASTER MONDAY Monday, May 20, 2019 VICTORIA DAY

## P. A. Days

Friday, September 28, 2018 Friday, October 26, 2018 Friday, November 23, 2018 Friday, February 1, 2019 Friday, April 5, 2019 Friday, June 7, 2019 Friday, June 28, 2019

# **FUTURE NEWSLETTERS and McGIBBON WEBSITE**

Continue to check our P.E. McGibbon Website for permission forms, hot lunch information and newsletters.

Looking forward to another fantastic year at the Home of the Grizzlies.