**W.J. Baird Public School**

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June 26, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

This has certainly been a year to remember! We hope to ease the transition into the 2020-2021 school year by providing you with the following information. If you have any concerns or questions, please don’t hesitate to contact us at the school.

*As we do not know yet what September brings, please refer to our Board/school websites for information in weeks/days leading up to the beginning of September for more information should different protocols and guidelines be in place.*

Traditionally we would have provided an opportunity for your child to visit his/her new classroom for a short period of time to participate in a fun activity. The intent is to prepare your child and to help relieve any anxiety about the new school year. However, currently this opportunity is not available to us. We hope that the attached video will suffice in its place. *Please know that while we do our best to maintain this classroom organization, there is a small chance that this may change dependent upon summer registrations and moves.*

**Important Dates**

Summer Holidays for students: June 29, 2020- September 7, 2020

PA Day: September 3, 2020

PA Day: September 4, 2020

First Day of School for children: September 8, 2020

**Staff List (Current as of June 25, 2020)**

FDK: Mrs. Hoskins and Ms. Leach

SK/1: Mrs. Barnard

1/2: Mrs. Newcombe

2/3: Mrs. Pfaff

3/4: Mrs. Pickering

4/5: Mrs. Johnson

5/6: Mrs. Taylor

7/8: Mrs. Tinline

7/8: Mrs. Kistulinec

Resource: Mrs. Lethbridge

Core French: Mrs. Myers

PE/Rotary/Librarian: Mrs. Hough

Rotary: Mrs. Lovell (0.5)

EA Mrs. Cook -full-time

EA Ms. Cofell –full-time

EA Mr. Hoffman -full-time

EA Miss Downie- half-time

**Bell Times**

8:55- Supervision on Yard Begins

9:10- Entry Bell

11:10-11:50- First Nutrition Break

1:50-2:30- Second Nutrition Break

3:30- Dismissal

***Typical* First Day of School Procedures**

Students will line up outside as they have done this year and their new teacher will come and collect them. There will be teachers outside with class lists to assist students and parents locate their teacher/classroom.

**School Supplies**

Attached is also a suggested generic list of school supplies for your child for September as you may want to prepare during the summer sales. Some teachers may have other specific suggested items, but they will let you and your child know of this in September.

Please continue to use our website (<https://www.lkdsb.net/school/wjbaird/Pages/default.aspx>) and Twitter (https://**twitter.com**/**WJBaird**1) and well as Lambton Kent District School Board ([www.lkdsb.net](http://www.lkdsb.net)) to access other important information and updates.

We look forward to all of the learning adventures that the 2020-2021 school year will bring!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Zondag