



# LORD BYNG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## Lord Byng Community – Week Ahead September 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

<u>Monday:</u>	Kindergartens first full day of school First day for transitional learners (option 4)
<u>Tuesday:</u>	
<u>Wednesday:</u>	
<u>Thursday:</u>	Meet the Teacher Night and e-Portfolio Parent Information Night
<u>Friday:</u>	Pro-d Day (No School for Students)

### Important Information:

- 1) We are currently updating our student **medical alert list** and necessary documentation. If your child has an allergy or medical condition, and you have not received paperwork to complete, please see the office for the appropriate forms. Your child's safety is important to us.
- 2) Please continue to return the **September startup notices**. As you complete the green form, *Use of Personal Information*, we ask that you accept emails from us when completing this form so that you can receive important memos and email reminders.
- 3) As we adjust to changes due to COVID, we will need to keep our Library closed. However, Mrs. Markusoff has some exciting ideas to make sure that we get books in student's hands. Stay tuned as we pivot and develop new systems and procedures.
- 4) **Meet the Staff Night**  
We look forward to meeting with families on Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 6:20pm AND 6:30 – 6:50pm via Zoom with your child's classroom teacher. Please be reminded that this is an informal opportunity to meet the teacher versus asking how your child is doing in class since students have only just begun school. More information will come, specifically session times and how to access Zoom.



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## 5) e-Portfolio Parent Information Night

Following the Meet the Staff Night, we will provide a short information session for parents who would like to learn more about e-Portfolios. This is a beginner session for parents new to e-portfolios or wanting a review session. We plan to meet via Zoom from 7:00 – 7:20pm. We encourage parents to take the time to view their child's learning and comment on the successes they are making with their learning journey by accessing their e-portfolio.

## 6) Professional Development Days for 2020-2021

For our new families, we wanted to provide you with the Pro-D dates, so you can plan ahead when your child will not be in school.

September 25, 2020

February 12, 2021

October 23, 2020

April 30, 2021

November 23, 2020

May 21, 2021

## 7) PAC

All parents are automatically members of our Parent Advisory Committee. We encourage you to attend and hear about all of the wonderful things that the PAC does to support student learning at Byng. PAC occurs every second Wednesday of the month and will take place via Zoom. Please feel free to join us!

## 8) Electronic Communication from the School

Most of our communication from the office will continue to be electronic in the form of emails, electronic newsletters, and updates to our school website. Please make sure that we have your most up to date email address at the school office to ensure that you are receiving all the information. Please feel free to call the office if you have questions or concerns about this.

## 9) Dress for the weather

As the weather begins to change, please be sure to send your child to school with appropriate clothing for all kinds of weather. As Fall approaches, we suggest boots and raincoats. Students are expected to be outside even if it's raining. For younger students, we encourage them to bring an extra set of clothes, pants, a shirt and socks in case they get wet during school hours. We are NOT able to provide spare change of clothes due to COVID.



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## 10) Drop Off Lane/Parking Lot

Parents, please make sure that when you drop your child off in the morning that the drop off lane is for parents who do not need to get out of the car *rather* your child can get out on their own and walk to class. If you need to park your car, we would ask that you please find a parking spot. This request is for safety reasons! If you are parked in the drop off lane, you will be asked to move your car. If you leave your car in the drop off lane, we will leave a note on your car. Thank you for your cooperation.

## 11) KEV Cash Online System

In your paper package you received earlier this week, there were instructions of how to access KEV. Please log on and see the \$30 fee for your child's *Basic School Supplies* for the 2020-2021 school year. As in previous years, teachers will provide students with school supplies. We encourage all families to create an account. In case you aren't aware, credit cards are accepted.

12) Parents, please note that we can no longer provide your children with plastic spoons and forks. We suggest getting a set of plastic cutlery to be included in your child's lunch bag.

## Upcoming Dates:

- Sept 24 – Meet the Staff Night & e-Portfolio Parent Info. Night
- Sept 25– Pro-d Day (*No school for students*)
- Sept 30 – Orange Shirt Day
- Oct 6 & 7 – Parent-Teacher Conferences (more information to come)

Ms Widdess & Ms. Lee