

École Voyageur

Grade 1 Room 1



Welcome

Welcome to room 1! I hope that your summer was enjoyable. This will serve as a guide to our classroom routines and expectations. The goal is to set your child up for success in developing good work habits, accountability and responsibility for his/her work and behaviour.

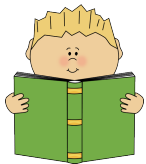
TO DO:

1. Please make sure your child has a pair of clean indoor runners that will be kept at school (non-marking sole) for gym class. Label the shoes with your child's name.
2. Please send in a bag, with a change of clothes in case of accidents. Label the bag with your child's name.
3. A pack of your child's favorite stickers with their name written on it.
4. headphones (please not earbuds)
 - Label the headphones with your child's name,
 - Put headphones in a zip-lock bag
 - label the zip-lock bag with your child's name
5. 2 kleenex boxes

Agenda

This year your child will be responsible for their agenda. Please check and sign your child's agenda daily. The agenda is a great tool for communication between school and home. Students will write their daily message in the lined area. Please feel free to communicate in the agenda in the area for parent signature (on the right-hand side of the book).

Home Reading



English Home Reading will begin towards the end of September/beginning of October, once each student's reading abilities have been assessed. Home Reading will essentially be your child's main homework for the year. You can help your child prepare for this program by setting aside 10-15 minutes each day to read to your child. Each student will bring home books at their reading level. This gives them an opportunity to read to a parent or grand-parent or sibling daily. Daily reading is very important when children are first learning to read. More information on the Home Reading program will be sent home once the program begins.

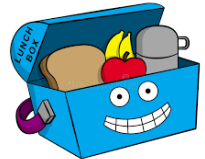
Allergies

As allergies are a growing concern I ask that when packing your child's lunch and snacks you keep in mind the school allergy guidelines. A list of class allergies will be sent home once determined.

Known Allergy (so far): Peanuts and Tree Nuts, Mint - please no candy, cough drops, candy canes or anything with mint.

Snacks

We have snack time twice a day, in the morning before recess and in the afternoon before or after recess. I encourage students to choose a healthy snack in the morning. Please have the snacks ready for eating. For example, peel the oranges ahead of time and cut the fruit up in sizes the child will find easy to eat.



Lunch

If your child is eating lunch at school, he/she will be eating in our classroom.

There are no microwaves available. Lunch is eaten in the classroom. I make sure students are settled, and eating their main meal, before leaving them with their lunch supervisor. If your child is going home/out for lunch please indicate this in the agenda and who will be picking your child up.

Recess

There are 3 recesses throughout the day. One 15 minute morning recess, one 30 minute lunch recess and one 15 minute afternoon recess. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather to be outside for the long lunch recess.

Birthdays



Birthdays are informally celebrated in class with a "birthday song", they will make and wear a birthday crown, and students are invited to pick a birthday book to be read in class. Students with summer birthdays will be celebrated before we break for summer holidays.

Birthday Invites - please send invites via email with a list of names. This way they can be forwarded to the appropriate family without getting lost.



At the end of the year, we will do a big birthday party for everyone in the class.



Departure Time

If there is any change in your arrangements for your child's bussing or pick-up at 3:25 p.m., whether it is a permanent change or a change just for that day, please send a note to school with your child detailing the change. If you find out that a change to your child's departure needs to be made for that day after school has already started, please inform Mme Wendy in the office by 3:00 pm. I may not always have the chance to check my e-mail if there is a last minute pick-up change. Also, if your child is going home with another family or classmate, a note is required giving that adult permission to take your child home with them. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated! Our goal is for a safe, consistent departure routine for your children.

Early dismissal

The first and third Tuesday of each month is early dismissal. Students are dismissed at 2:55 p.m. Please make note of these dates in advance and make the necessary arrangements for your child's pick up. If your child takes the bus, please be at your child's bus stop earlier to pick them up (information will be provided by the Division's transportation department).



Scholastic Book Club

<https://clubs.scholastic.com/>

Class Code - RC158937

Parents: How it works



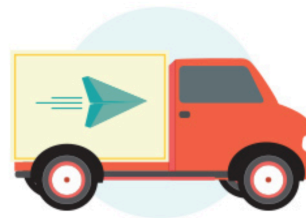
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To pay, choose the 'Parent Pay' option on the Scholastic website.

Let's talk!

Communication between parents and teachers is integral to your child's success at school. Please feel free to contact me anytime with any questions or concerns you may have via email: TAMARA.BERGEN@sjasd.ca. I will always try to respond to e-mails within 48 hours. You can also phone the school at 204-888-3390 or write a note in your child's agenda. I will check agendas every morning for any notes or other important information.

Once we get started a class blog will be available to you. The purpose of the blog is to provide songs and stories in French for your child to practice and listen to at home. Pictures will be posted from time to time. The purpose of the pictures is to have your child explain to you what we have been doing. This way when you ask "What did you do at school?", your child can look at the pictures and be reminded, instead of just answering, "Nothing".

Gr 1 Blog: <http://bergengrade1.nwacres.com/>

Thank you in advance for your support and looking forward to a great year!

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