



**St. Michael Catholic Elementary School
All Are Welcome!**

Happy Long Weekend Angels!

As we all look forward to Tuesday, we wanted to give you a few important back-to-school reminders. We can't wait to see our Angel students this coming week!

A very special warm welcome to our new families who are joining the St. Michael school community!

Please join us in welcoming: Ms. Crawford (Educational Assistant), Mr. King (Educational Assistant), Ms. Rivas (Night-Time Custodian) and Mrs. Wadel (Primary Planning Time Teacher).

Thank you to our AMAZING teaching staff and support staff who have been planning and preparing for the new school year. They have created welcoming learning spaces for all our students, and we are grateful to be working with such amazing educators.

Thank you to Mrs. Best, Mrs. Starr, Mr. Gibson, and Ms. Rivas who have been working to ensure that we have a smooth start and transition to the 2023-2024 school year!

Class Placements:

To support our transition back to school, families will have received classroom teacher information through [SchoolCash online](#). Please know that class lists continue to be tentative due to ongoing registrations which impact enrollment and staffing. Staffing and classroom changes will be directed by the Board office and may occur during the first two weeks of school. Our staff takes great care in considering students' needs when creating class placements. Together as partners in education, we can ensure a positive start-up for our Angel students.

Class Assignment Instructions:

1. If you have multiple children you will need to log onto each cash online account to see who their teacher is.
2. Please no parents/guardians/caregivers on the school yard, staff and students only.
3. A reminder that pets are not allowed on school property including the path beside the parking lot.
4. On the first day of school, children are to go to the back school yard. Their teacher will be waiting with a sign that has the grade and teacher name.
5. Please review with your child(ren) what they will have to do and who their teacher is. Please know that additional staff will be on the yard to assist students locating their class.



6. All bus students will be supported by staff.
7. After school, all students in the school building will be dismissed out the back of the school. No parents/guardians/caregivers on the school yard. Exception: Parents of Grade 1 students are allowed on the grass area the first day of school to discuss dismissal routine with the classroom teacher.
8. If your child is not a bus student, remember to arrange your after school meeting spot/pick-up location.
9. When on your child's Cash Online Account please complete all back to school forms for each child.

We have a lot of staff that will help your kiddos find where they need to go. Can't wait to see you Angels!

Reminder: Kindergarten SK students do not start school until Wednesday September 6th. JK families will have received information about visits and staggered entry via email.

Medical Plans of Care:

If your child has medical concerns or a life-threatening condition you will be receiving their Medical Plan of Care the first week of school. Please read the Verification Copy of the Plan of Care carefully, sign, and return it to school as soon as possible. **Please note that students with anaphylaxis require two current Epipens for school. Please label the Epipens, send to school with your child(ren), or drop off at the office.** If you have any questions, please let us know.

Also a reminder to all families that we are a NUT-FREE school.

School Supplies:

Please do not go out and purchase large quantities of school supplies. If you are looking at getting something, please get a sturdy backpack, a lunch bag, a reusable water bottle, and a pair of indoor shoes. Anything else can be purchased AFTER being in the classroom and seeing what may be required. Most school supplies will be provided by the school.

Transportation:

- Please find important information from STSWR, and bus eligibility at their website:

<https://www.stswr.ca/>

- If your child is bus eligible but they are not riding please fill out the **DO NOT RIDE form online** as soon as possible.

If you have any questions related to bussing, please visit the Student Transportation website bpweb.stswr.ca for more information.

School Communication:

Be sure to subscribe to our School Newswire. This is where our Angel Update is posted each week with important dates and school information. Link to subscribe:

<https://stmichael.wcdsb.ca/newswire-subscribe/>



We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday, September 5th!

Monday September 4th: Labour Day (No School)

Tuesday September 5th: Welcome back Angels (Grades 1 - 8)

Tuesday September 5th: JK scheduled visits

Wednesday September 6th: All SK students attend school

Wednesday September 6th: SPIRIT DAY! Wear your BLUE & GOLD!

Thursday September 7th: Pre-scheduled groups of JK students will begin

Friday September 8th: Pre-scheduled groups of JK students will begin

Friday September 8th: All CashOnline Forms Due

Save the Date: Thursday, September 28 is our Opening School Liturgy and Open House (4-6pm). More information to come!

Enjoy the rest of your long weekend together!

-St. Michael School Staff

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