



# HERITAGE HILLS

## ELEMENTARY

# Heritage Hills Parent Weekly

**August 31 - September 6, 2023**

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## Important Dates This Week at Heritage Hills:

### Tuesday, August 29

- Professional Learning Day for Staff

### Wednesday, August 30

- Operational Day for Staff

### Thursday, August 31

- First Day of School - Doors will open at 8:25. We are so excited to see you. Please see information below regarding first day procedures, classroom teachers and FS room locations.
- Staggered Start for ECS Schedule B

### Friday, September 1

- Staggered Start for ECS Schedule A

### Monday, September 2

- Labour Day Holiday - No school

### Tuesday, September 5

- Staggered Start for ECS Schedule B

### Wednesday, September 6

- Staggered Start for ECS Schedule A
- Early Dismissal - school out at 2:20 p.m.
- Meet the Staff @ 6:00 p.m.

## Principal:

As summer break comes to an end we are looking forward to seeing our students for a new school year. As we start off a new year, we have many new opportunities for learning and for educational experiences for our students. The Heritage Hills School Staff have worked hard to prepare our school for the first day of school. We will continue to send out Parent Weeklies to keep you informed as to what is happening at the school. We also have a [Heritage Hills Family-Student Handbook](#) on our website, be sure to check it out. We are all looking forward to a great school year.

This year we will introduce some new safety measures to maximize the safety of all our students and staff. All outside doors, including the front door will be locked during the school day. We have a new video doorbell installed at the front door. When you visit the school, ring the doorbell and our office staff will look after you.

On Wednesday, September 6th HHE will host our Meet The Staff Evening/BBQ. The program will start in the gym at 6:00 p.m. Once the presentation in the gym is complete you will have an opportunity to visit classrooms and enjoy complimentary hot dogs and soft drinks. We are looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call us at (780) 467-7447 or email us at [General.HHE@eips.ca](mailto:General.HHE@eips.ca). You can also follow us on Twitter [@HeritageHills\\_](#) for regular updates and posts.

## 2023-2024 Staffing Update:

### French Immersion:

ECS - Mme Delwel (FS Room 146)  
Grade 1 - Mme Pontailier (FS Room 122)  
Grade 2 - Mme Macdonald (FS Room 120)  
Grade 3 - Mme Sweeney (FS Room 210)  
Grade 4 / 5 - Mme Krys (FS Room 219)  
Grade 5 / 6 - Mme Harris (FS Room 233)  
French Language Monitor - M Jean Mbulakey-Tamukui

### English:

ECS - Miss Dayman (FS Room 150)  
ECS - Mrs. Taverner (FS Room 146)  
Grade 1 - Ms. Wells-Taylor (FS Room 152)  
Grade 1 - Mrs. O'Neill (FS 141)  
Grade 2 - Mr. King (FS Room 123)  
Grade 2 - Mrs. Blue (FS Room 114)  
Grade 3 - Mrs. Reinich/ Mrs. Johnston (FS Room 212)  
Grade 3 & Numeracy Lead Teacher - Ms. Clarke (FS Room 217)  
Grade 4 - Ms. Jordan (FS Room 218)  
Grade 4 - Ms. Whitney (FS Room 209)

Grade 5 - Mr. Mazur (FS Room 224)  
Grade 5 - Ms. Carruthers (FS Room 225)  
Grade 6 - Ms. Checknita (FS Room 227)  
Grade 6 - Mrs. Zunti (FS Room 229)  
Music - Dr. Boyer  
Teacher Librarian & Literacy Lead Teacher - Ms. Wells-Taylor  
Reading Specialist Teacher - Mrs. Johnson

## **Office:**

Principal - Mr. Schlacht  
Assistant Principal - Mme Johnston  
Secretaries - Mrs. Trach and Ms. Wert  
Counsellor - Ms. Kropp

## **Classified Staffing:**

Mrs. Collier  
Ms. Curle  
Mrs. Roy  
Mrs. Segura  
Mrs. Snooks

## **Required Documentation for each student:**

Parents are required to complete the following forms for each of their children in Heritage Hills Elementary:

[Code of Conduct:](#)

[Student Responsible Technology Use Agreement](#)

If you are planning on volunteering in our school this year, please complete the following form. Only one form is needed per person, you do not need to complete a form for each child on the [Volunteer Form](#)

## **First Day of School:**

We are excited to welcome students on the First Day of School.

Please review the [Student Entrance Map](#). The cement will be marked appropriately where students will line up outside in their classes. Families and students are expected to wait at the assigned spots on the map until asked to proceed into the school by school staff.

Our school doors will open at 8:25 a.m. At this time, you may enter the building. Once entering the designated entrance, please have your child place their outdoor shoes on their classroom boot rack and proceed to their classroom. If you have any questions while waiting outside, please find a member of our staff wearing a supervision vest to assist you. We will be using 4 entrances for students. The main (front) entrance is reserved for staff and visitors. We will have staff outside to assist in case of any confusion. Teachers will be in their classrooms waiting to meet you.

Please ensure you have logged into Powerschool so you are aware of your child's teacher. Room locations are listed beside the teacher's name above.

**While on school grounds, please ensure photos taken are of your child(ren) only. As well, while on school property, there are no pets allowed.**

## **Student Drop Off and Visitor Parking**

Please use the Drop and Go loop for student drop off. Upon entering the loop, proceed as far down the loop as possible to make room for other vehicles before pausing to let your children out. If you plan to exit your vehicle for any length of time, please park in Visitor parking at the North end of the loop. Drop off and parking is also available on Heritage Drive. Please do not park in the staff parking lot as staff, consultants and other EIPS employees come and go throughout the day. As well, please do not park in the handicapped parking spots unless you have a valid parking sticker to do so; we do have families that require the use of these spots.

## **Meet The Staff Evening:**

On Wednesday, September 6th from 6:00-7:30 p.m, Heritage Hills Elementary, our School Council and our fundraising association (FAHHE) will host our meet the staff evening together. The evening will start at 6:00 pm where we invite all families to meet in the gym for a brief presentation. Once the presentation is over, families can tour the school and classrooms and grab a hotdog.

The school and classrooms will be open until 7:30p.m. We are looking forward to seeing you at our Heritage Hills Meet the Staff Evening.

## **School Council and Fundraising Association (FAHHE):**

Welcome back to another school year at HHE, and a special welcome to our brand-new families! We look forward to meeting you throughout the year and working together to assist in creating an amazing year for our kids.

The School Council and Fundraising Association of Heritage Hills Elementary (FAHHE) are two arms of our parent involvement with the school. The school council meetings (and minutes) are a chance to learn more about changes/impact within our school (provincial changes, divisional updates and school decisions) and have your say, or pose questions, in things like fees, extra curriculars & field trips

The fundraising component, FAHHE, with the school decides on and executes parent run, school wide fundraisers to help support initiatives within the school (for example chrome books and snow shoes) to the extras that reach beyond the scope of our budget (family dances, Christmas concert, and hot lunch program).

Both groups will be set up, and would love to chat with you in person as we host our first "Back to School BBQ" to coincide with meet the teacher night.

Come find out more about when we meet, what we do, and sign up for volunteer opportunities throughout the year.

### **Note from School Council & FAHHE Chair:**

Welcome back parents and students to the 2023-2024 school year. School Council is looking forward to working along with Fundraising for the upcoming school year. We are also looking forward to meeting all of the parents this year as well.

Please join us for our meetings which take place at the Learning Commons starting at 6:30pm on the dates listed below:

Wednesday September 13, 2023

Wednesday November 15, 2023

Wednesday January 17, 2024

Wednesday March 13, 2024

Wednesday April 10, 2024

Wednesday May 8, 2024

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead and hoping to help support as many events as we can in the 2023 - 2024 School year.

Our representatives this year are:

Chair:

Kelly Annesty

[hheschoolcouncilchair@gmail.com](mailto:hheschoolcouncilchair@gmail.com)

Vice Chair:

Jodi Lakevolt

[jodi\\_paskuski@hotmail.com](mailto:jodi_paskuski@hotmail.com)

Secretary:

Dani Till

[dmsavard@gmail.com](mailto:dmsavard@gmail.com)

Come out and say "Hello" at our Meet the Teacher BBQ on September 6, 2023.

### **Absences, Lates, Appointments, Leaving for Lunch and Leaving Early**

If your child will be leaving to go home for lunch, leaving school early or absent for the day - please call and notify the office. The school is required to record all student absences accurately, so please advise the general reason for your child's absence: either ill or away for personal reasons. An agenda note does not always make it to the office. A call to the office ensures everyone will know where your child is to be at all times. Please call us with this information at (780) 467-7447 or email at [General.HHE@eips.ca](mailto:General.HHE@eips.ca).

**“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched — they must be felt with the heart.”**

**Helen Keller**