

From: [SwiftReach Networks Alert](#) on behalf of [Katherine Therrien](#)
To:
Subject: Welcome to the 2021-2022 Katherine Therrien School Year
Date: Friday, August 27, 2021 9:01:43 AM

Dear Parents/Guardians:

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Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year!

We are excited to have our students back with us after a, hopefully, refreshing summer break. We are also excited to have some new students and staff joining our family this year.

Our school times for 2021-2022 are:

- *Kindergarten* – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:25-11:30
- *Grades 1-6* – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:25 – 3:08
 - Thursday: 8:25 – 11:34

Our grade 1-6 students will begin classes on Wednesday, September 1st at 8:25 am. Supervision will begin at 8:15 and students will come into the building 2 or 3 students per time to allow for sanitizing and keeping coat rooms less crowded. For those new to our school, our student entries are such when facing the front doors of the school:

- Kindergarten, Grade 1 and 2 - to the left of the school front doors (south side of the building)
- Grade 3 and 4 - to the right of the school front doors (north side of the building)
- Grade 5 and 6 - to the right of the school and around the portable buildings (north and west side of the building)

Kindergarten Only: Our Kindergarten parents should have received an email from Mrs. Monteiro explaining our students' start for this year. Our Kinder will come in a staggered entry on Wednesday or Friday:

- **Kinder Last name** starting with
 - **A-C** will attend only on September 1 from 9:00 AM- 10:00 AM
 - **D-K** will attend only on September 1 from 10:30 AM- 11:30 AM
 - **L-P** will attend only on September 3 from 9:00 AM- 10:00 AM
 - **R-Z** will attend only on September 3 from 10:30 AM- 11:30 AM

Our kindergarten students will attend a full morning of classes starting on Tuesday, September 7.

Our school supply list can be found on our school website [here](#). Please have your child's items clearly labeled with their name including clothing, school bag and/or lunch bag. If you have older school supplies that are in *good* condition, Katherine Therrien supports the reuse of supplies. **Please note:** Students are expected to have headphones for use of all technology. **We will NOT be allowing students to use earbuds for safety reasons.** Headphones are not a part of the school fees this year, however, you can still purchase them from the office at a minimal cost.

All parents should have received a letter from our division office this past week. Information on

our Return-to-School practices can be found on the division website [here](#). As per this email of Tuesday, August 24, we will be continuing many of the practices that were in place last year. This includes:

- Wearing a mask in all common areas (hallways, washrooms, gym, music room, learning common, etc.)
 - Kindergarten, Grades 1, 2 and 3 are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED to wear masks which almost all students did last year
 - Grades 4, 5 and 6 MUST wear a mask for the present time

It was proven by our community last year by following these safety measures and working together in care of one another, we kept our isolation cases to very, very few.

- Students who show any signs of illness will be asked to remain home or will be sent home until such time that they are showing NO symptoms **without** the aid of medication (i.e. Tylenol).
- While we are returning to some of our previous activities, we are still practicing precautions to keep our students safe.
 - We will be keeping our students in cohorts as much as possible.
 - We will continue to sanitize and practice hand washing routinely throughout the day.
 - We will be doing some cleaning throughout the day and our custodial staff will do a deep clean each night.
 - Students will continue to need a water bottle as fountains will not be in use for the next while.
- All our outside guests, including parents/guardians, will need to make an appointment before entering the school as per last school year.

Our division will continue to review the status of the pandemic and will update parents as any changes are made. The next scheduled review is in late September.

In terms of communication, we will be sending information home each Wednesday. Please look to your email for information from both our office and occasionally your child's teacher. Any paper items will be sent home in your child's agenda or communication pouch on Wednesdays. As always, we endeavour to keep our webpage up to date as fast as we possibly can. One can always look there for past email information or other items of notice. Our next Swift Message to you will be on Wednesday, September 1st.

Due to school meetings and activities, our office will be closed both Monday and Tuesday morning (August 30 and 31) so that we can prepare as a school for the upcoming year. Please leave a message on our answering machine at that time and we will return your call that afternoon. You can also email the school (8043Web@ecsd.net) and we will direct the message to the correct person.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, September 1st or when you are next at the school.

Sincerely,

Ms. J. Hertlein & Mrs. C. Letwin,

Administration, Katherine Therrien

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empowering children to use their minds, hearts and hands to serve others as disciples of Jesus.

Attached Files

[2021-2022 ECSD Calendar with TR - June 21, 2021 FINAL.pdf](#)

[covid-19-information-alberta-health-daily-checklist-2021-08 \(1\).pdf](#)



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