#### St. Nicholas Catholic School

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### Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to another wonderful year at St. Nicholas. I hope you all had a restful and wonderful summer. The staff is working extremely hard to prepare the school for our return on Tuesday September 3, 2019. Below I've added some additional information to help with the first day of school.

### Summer Construction:

It is quite evident that our school grounds have had an amazing makeover this summer. The outside construction will be complete this week with the final landscaping and fencing being installed. Things look great! We are grateful to have the project completed for the start of the new school year and look forward to enjoying this new update.

# <u>Upcoming Classroom Kindergarten Renovation:</u>

Our school will be undertaking a renovation project of our three kindergarten classrooms this fall. I will be sending a detailed letter to communicate the details of the project and how it will enhance the classroom learning environment.

## First Day of School:

We ask that on the first day all students report to their school yard area to meet the teachers beginning at 8:10am. I've included a snapshot map to assist with identifying the yards. Teachers will be posting their class lists on the wall fifteen minutes before the bell at 8:25am. Kindergarten drop off

will be in the FDK fenced playground. All new students are welcomed in the office so that we can escort them to their new class. At the end of the day students are to be picked up in their designated yards.

In the event of rain, kindergarten students will make their way directly to their classrooms. All other students can make their way to the gym where they will be met by their teachers and support staff. A reminder that it is a full day of school, please pack your child/children a lunch, snacks and a water bottle, as well as dress them according to the weather.



# School Day:

8:25am - Classes Begin

9:45-10:00am - Recess

11:25-11:45am- Lunch

11:45am-12:25pm - Lunch Recess

1:45-2:00pm - Recess

2:55pm - Dismissal

\*For busing, please check the transportation website for eligibility and route information at <a href="https://www.schoolbuscity.com">www.schoolbuscity.com</a>.

## Student Absences/Lates

We have a Safe Arrival Program here at St.Nicholas. If your child will be absent or late, even on the first day, please call our Safe Arrival reporting line at 1-855-856-7862 or visit the website: <a href="https://www.go.schoolmessenger.ca">www.go.schoolmessenger.ca</a>.

If you should have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school at 905-895-3777. The office is open from 7:45a.m. to 3:45pm, Monday to Friday. Your child's teacher will distribute more information next week. I thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Christian Zorzi Principal