

Dear Parents,

Bonjour! It is a pleasure to welcome your child into Grade One. I hope that you have all had a very enjoyable and relaxing summer.

September is such an exciting time. For teachers and students it is a month full of change and new beginnings, new surroundings, new friends, new skills and new challenges. This month your child will explore the world of learning and develop many new basic skills, all in French!

During the coming weeks we will begin to:

- follow directions
- read and write the alphabet
- work and play together
- count in French
- practice good citizenship
- learn the French colors and shapes



Please take the time to discuss your child's school day. Your continued interest will play an important role in your child's learning success.

Clothing

As it is very upsetting to a child when they lose their possessions, please help by labeling all clothing, footwear and materials.
Independence is also stressed, so please assist your child in learning to zip, button, tie their own shoes and put on their own clothing.
Comfortable warm clothes and a good pair of running shoes are a requirement, as some of our Physical Education lessons will be held outdoors.

Library

Each class has one weekly library time. The children are allowed to sign out one French and one English book. Please remind your child to return books on their library day. Our library day is **Monday**.

Picking Up Students

Parents are reminded to wait for their child **outside at the South East kindergarten doors**. Please do not enter the classroom unless it is your volunteer day, as this is disruptive to the students. If you need to drop anything off for your child, please leave the item(s) at the office and the secretary will ensure that the classroom teacher is notified.

Parent Volunteers

Information regarding classroom volunteers will be sent home shortly. Thank you in advance for your offers of help.

Agenda

In order to keep parents informed and promote ongoing communication, your child will be bringing home their agenda on a daily basis. Please make sure that you check for messages, sign your initials and write any notes on the **right hand page**, and return it to school each day.

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Supplies

It is recommended that each child bring the following items:

- a backpack for carrying notices home, books, lunch kits, etc.
- a nutritious snack for the morning snack time. Please remember that EVE is a nut-free school. If the label says "may contain nuts" it is not allowed at the school.
- a water bottle (spill-proof)
- indoor shoes (Velcro preferred)

I am pleased to have your child in my class and am looking forward to a wonderful school year.

Sincerely, Mme Lowell glowell@rockyview.ab.ca 403-242-1117