



Sir John A. Macdonald School

Welcome to 2024-25

Welcome to Sir John A. Macdonald School! We are very excited to have students rejoin our learning community for the upcoming school year. This overview of our first month will help to support our students and their families. Our student leaders will work alongside our faculty to build a welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment for all students, while encouraging students to build empathy each other.

Thursday August 29	Schedules will become visual in PowerSchool on <u>August 29, 2024</u> <u>If you are new to the CBE, your child must log into a computer at school prior to being able to access their schedule at home.</u> All students should bring a binder, paper, something to write with. All Grades: Homeroom lists will be posted in the front foyer. All Grades: A printed timetable will be provided in homeroom. Grade 7 lunch provided: beef/veggie/halal hot dog, chips, bottled water 8:13 – 10:13 am: Grade 8 and 9 students 10:45 – 2:51 pm: Grade 7 students 8:13 – 2:51 pm: ALP and PLP classes	
Grade 8 and 9 students start at 8:13 am Please <u>meet in the Main Gym</u> for the Opening Assembly	81: Wright 82: Dawson 83: Tremblay 84: Isackson 85: MacLellan 86: Armstrong 87: Hudson/Ralph 810: Le 711, 811, 911: Smid (ALP) 712, 812, 912: Rosvold (PLP)	91: MacPhee 92: Sterling 93: Parsons 94: Zakus 95: Shelestynsky 96: Else 97: O'Lain 98: Roston 910: Le
Grade 7 students start at 10:45 am Please <u>meet in the Main Gym</u> for the Opening Assembly	71: Bower 72: MacLennan 73: Corry 74: Vahaaho	75: Greenham 76: Saker 77: Manery 710: Dougan
Welcome Assembly in the Main Gym Grade 8 and 9: Start time: 8:15 Grade 7: Start time: 10:45	Student MCs Admin Team: Ms. Hornby, Mr. Rachid (A-K), Mr. Jensen (L-Z) Learning Leaders: Ms. Balis (Indigenous Education Strategist), Ms. Billeck (Student Services), Ms. Howe (Grade 7), Ms. Hopley (Grade 8), Mr. Hoblak (Grade 9), Ms. Kwan (Humanities), Mr. Jones (Athletics/PE) PE: Mr. Jones, Mr. Manery, Mr. O'Lain, Ms. Saker, Ms. Roston, Mr. Shelestynsky Fine Arts: Ms. Armstrong (Band), Ms. MacLennan, Ms. Hudson, Ms. Ralph (Art), Ms. Tremblay (Drama)	

	CTF: Ms. Dawson (Foods), Ms. Hudson & Ms. Ralph (Leadership, Tourism), Mr. Le (Yearbook, Computer Science), Mr. Parsons (Construction), Ms. Saker (Foods), Ms. Wright (Robotics, Design), Mr. Corry and Ms. Armstrong (Film), Ms. Howe (Design) Power Up: Ms. Hopley, Ms. Kwan, Mr. Hoblak Mustang Station: Ms. Billeck, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Rachid, Ms. Hornby ALP: Ms Smid PLP: Ms. Rosvold 91, 92, 93: Ms. MacPhee (HUM), Sterling (SMATH) 94, 95, 96: Ms. Zakus (HUM), Ms. Else (SMATH) 97, 98: Mr. Hoblak (HUM) and Ms. Roston (SMATH) 910: Mr Dougan (HUM, Science) and Mr. Le (MATH) 81, 82: Ms. Kwan (HUM), Ms. Wright (SMATH) 83, 87: Ms. Tremblay (HUM), Ms. Hopley (SMATH) 84, 85, 86: Ms. Isackson (HUM), Ms. MacLellan (SMATH) 810: Mr Dougan (HUM, Science) and Mr. Le (MATH) 71, 72: Ms. Howe (HUM), Ms. Bower (SMATH) 73: Mr. Corry (HUM), Ms. Bower (SMATH) 74, 75, 76: Ms. Vahaaho (HUM), Ms. Greenham (SMATH) 77: Mr. Corry (HUM), Mr. Manery (SMATH) 710: Mr Dougan (HUM, Science) and Mr. Le (MATH)
Grade 8 and 9 Orientation to the School Year	End of assembly to – 10:13 am (dismissed at 10:13 am) ➤ Lockers ➤ School Tour ➤ School Expectations ➤ Creation of Homeroom Expectations: welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment, alongside empathy for others
Grade 7 Orientation to the School: Part A	End of assembly to – 12:30 pm ➤ Lockers: Grade 7s will practice with locks at their desks first! ➤ School Tour ➤ School Expectations ➤ Creation of Homeroom Expectations: welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environment alongside empathy for others
Grade 7 Lunch Break	12:30 – 1:11 pm Hot dog (veggie, halal, or beef), chips and bottled water Grade 7 students stay on campus at lunch for the first semester (August – January)
Grade 7 Orientation to the School: Part B	1:11 – 1:17: Practice opening their locks No bells: please wait for an announcement before moving to a new class. 1: 1:17 – 1:27 2: 1:31 – 1:41 3: 1:45 – 1:55 4: 1:59 – 2:09 5: 2:13 – 2:23 6: 2:27 – 2:37 7: 2:41 – 2:51 'Planned activities' Teachers will introduce themselves Getting to know you activities: peer to peer Teachers will focus on building 'welcoming, caring, respectful and safe learning environments, alongside empathy for others
Friday August 30	All grades: Regular Friday Schedule Note – Double math in 2024-24 (no Science class)
Monday Sept 2	No School: Labour Day

Tuesday Sept 3	Starts with Block 3
Wed Sept 4	Starts with Block 5
Thursday Sept 5	Starts with Block 7
Friday Sept 6	Starts with Block 1. Note: Fire Drill today.
Tug of War Week (Weather permitting)	Monday September 9: Grade 9s Tuesday September 10: Grade 8s Wednesday September 11: Grade 7s
Grade Assemblies	Thursday September 12
Meet the Teacher	Thursday September 12 (6:00 – 7:30 pm) Students will help their parents tour the school. If students are unable to attend, leadership students will support. Further details will be shared via School Messenger.
Terry Fox Run	Friday September 13 (weather permitting)
Welcome Back Dance & Spirit Day	Thursday September 19 (Alternate date for Terry Fox Run if it rains on the 13th)
Orange Shirt Day	Thursday, September 26 (Canada's Official Day: Monday, September 30 – National Holiday)
Fall Sports	Soccer, Cross Country, Basketball: stay tuned for updates from Coaches

SJAM Bell Schedule

Please see PowerSchool (starting on Thursday August 29) for your child's schedule. Your child will be taught how this works in our opening days.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	Day 1	Day 3	Day 5	Day 7	Note: Double Math (Science replaced)	
Period 1: 8:13 – 9:02 am	1	3	5	7	8:13 – 8:43	1
Period 2: 9:04 – 9:53 am	2	4	6	1	8:45 – 9:15	2
Period 3: 9:54 – 10:44 am	3	5	7	2	9:17 – 9:47	3
NUTRITION BREAK						
Period 4: 10:50 – 11:39 am	4	6	1	3	9:49 – 10:19	4
Period 5: 11:41 – 12:30 pm	5	7	2	4	NUTRITION BREAK	
12:30 - 1:11 pm	LUNCH				10:24-10:54	5
Period 6: 1:11 – 2:00 pm	6	1	3	5	10:56-11:26	6
Period 7: 2:02 – 2:51 pm	7	2	4	6	11:28-11:58	7

Semester 1: Thursday August 29 – Monday January 27

Semester 2: Tuesday January 28 – June 27