

MES Family Update - August 19

Good afternoon MES Families,

We hope that your week is going well.

A few things for you as we get closer to starting the 2020-2021 school year.

\*At this point in time, MES is planning on returning to school with a full in-person model - except for those families who have chosen to homeschool their children or families that selected the Parallel Learning Track (Distance Learning).

\*Thank you to all of the families that let us know their School A or School B designation in case we ever need to use the Hybrid Model.

\*Today we dropped all of the class placement and school designation letters in the mail. You should receive them by the end of the week.

\*In terms of class placement, we continued to guide decisions by using class placement input that families provided earlier in the school year. Unfortunately there were class placement hopes and dreams that we couldn't accommodate as the School A or School B designation had to trump the other thoughts around placement. We are pretty certain that everyone's School A or School B preference was honored. In the end, we did the best we could with placement in what was an almost impossible task. With the importance placed on School A or School B designation and the priority of keeping student numbers in line with social distancing guidelines, there is really no flexibility to move students from one class to another now that they have been placed.

\*For those families who selected the Parallel Learning Track (Distance Learning), your placement letter will let you know whether your student will be working with Mrs. Caron (Gr. K, 1, 2 & part of Gr. 3) or Mrs. Rose (Gr. 4, 5, 6 & part of Gr. 3). Each teacher will have the support of a para-educator and we will have one additional teacher - Mrs. D'Auteuil - who will be supporting both groups at the beginning of the school year.

\*Tonight is Virtual Story Time at 6:30 p.m. Please feel free to join us as we both read a couple of stories. The link to tonight's Virtual Story Time through Google Meet is: [meet.google.com/pxa-psjf-tyi](https://meet.google.com/pxa-psjf-tyi)

\*And with school getting closer to starting, Mrs. Kelley says "Practice your Math facts!".

Have a terrific rest of the week,

Dan & Kim