

Primary Orientation 2020-2021



Beaver Bank Monarch Drive



Together We Will Fly!

Our School

- Grade PP-5
- Approximately 301 students
- 14 classrooms – 2020/21
- Built 1988
- Website - www.bbmd.ednet.ns.ca
- School main line -902-864-7540
- Safe arrival 902-864-7544

Bell Schedule

- 8:25 – Duty Begins Inside
- 8:40 – First Bell
- 8:45 - Class instruction Begins
- Recess(es) (No set schedule)
- 11:00-12:00-Lunch #1
- 12:15-1:15-Lunch #2
- 2:45 - Dismissal



Staff

- Principal – Mrs. Bond
- Vice Principal – Mrs. Richardson
- Secretary – Mrs. Ryan
- Primary teachers - Mrs. Carroll & Mrs. Landry-Reid/
Mrs. Devereaux
- Music Teacher – Ms. MacIsaac
- Phys. Ed – Mr. Clattenburg
- Librarian – Mrs. Gaudet

Before Your Child Starts.....

- Know their name (and spell their first name)
- Encourage independence
- Read each day
- Waiting their turn
- Practice using pencils, markers, crayons
- Explore using scissors (child size) and glue
- Velcro footwear ONLY
- Put on outerwear and do up zippers

Continued.....

- Review Colours and Numbers 1-10
- Establish washroom routines so they can do this independently
- Practice healthy hygiene (coughing into sleeve, using a tissue, washing hands)
- Practice opening snacks and lunches to make it easier for them to so on their own.
- Talk about when and how to ask for help when needed
- Help your child look forward to school –be positive when speaking about school

Communication

- Newsletters – first of month – e-mailed (if you need a paper copy contact the office)
- SwiftReach Networks Alert-Phone calls/e-mails
- E-mail or call school
- Follow us on Twitter
- HRCE – you can sign up for text and e-mail notice for storm days

Transportation

- Walkers
- Excel – Before and After school
- Bussing-Sign Up for BusPlanner (www.hrce.ca)
- Bussing Routes (Afterschool) –
 - 3001
 - 3002
 - 3004
 - 3021
 - 3114
 - 3202



Walkers

- Children are dismissed out their primary doors.....
- If you are picking your child up early – please park in parking lot, especially when students are present and contact the office to let them know you have arrived and we will meet you, with your child, at the main door.

Excel

- Students are picked up at their classroom doors
- Students are presently in the portable
- Registration –Online
- excelregistrar@hrsb.ca / 464-2000 Ext. 2787

Bussing

• <https://www.hrce.ca/about-our-schools/student-transportation>

- Provincial Number
- **Masks will be required while travelling on the bus.**
- **Students will be required to sit with children of the same household**
- Remind students to listen to the bus driver and stay seated

School Schedule

- Music -2X /week (outside or inside)
- Physical Education – 3X/week (outside as much as possible)
- Library – 1X/week (mobile library coming to the classroom)
- Weekly schedules will be communicated by the classroom teachers

School Services

- Milk Program – TBA
- Hot lunch - TBA
- Breakfast Program – Breakfast Baskets will be delivered to the classroom each morning

Student support services

- Guidance councillor-Brian Welcher-Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- Speech Language Pathologist-Nicole Johnstone-Monday and Tuesday
- School psychologist-2X Month
- Program Planning Team-Meets Weekly
- OT/PT - IWK

Student support services...Your School Counsellour Mr. Welcher



Supplies

- A school supplies list is on the website.
- In addition students will need a backpack (good size) and indoor shoes – **label all items and clothing**
- **Change of clothing** in the bag is something you will appreciate in the middle of the day!
- Lunch and recess in lunch bag –Send in a lunch and 2 Recess Snacks as well as a water bottle that won't spill or pop open in their school bag.

Toys

- Due to Covid-19 we request that no toys or extra things be brought to school



Hints & Tips

- Keep all contact information current especially in winter in case of early dismissal
- Early dismissal – all families must be spoken to before students are dismissed
- Nut Free – No Nuts Please
- Scent Aware – please avoid scent

Hints & tips continued....

- Check your child's book bag often
- Establish routines early – arrival after 8:30, try not to be late, consistent bedtime (10-12 hrs of sleep nightly)
- Develop good communication with teachers and the school
- Talk positively about school – call when you have questions and keep an open mind

Hints & tips continued.

- If your child needs medication at school you must fill out the appropriate documentation (See Mrs. Ryan)
- Call safe arrival whenever your child is absent to avoid phone calls from safe arrival
- If your child is not feeling well (see list of Covid-19 related symptoms) please keep them home to avoid a mid-day phone call and spreading of germs.

Welcome to Primary at BBMD!



DOOR #3

You will Enter Here...



Your Primary Classrooms



Your Primary Teachers...



Mrs. Devereaux



Mrs. Landry Reid



Mrs. Carroll



Mrs. MacLellan

Your Librarian...Mrs. Gaudet



Your Music Space with Ms. MacIsaac



Your Gymnasium with Mr. C



DOOR #3
You will EXIT here...



you will play here...



ZONE 4



ZONE 6



ZONE 5

Your Administration Team



VP-Mrs. Richardson



Admin. Assistant-
Mrs. Ryan



Principal-Mrs. Bond