

# Gregory A. Hogan School Renovation and Construction Update



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Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s)

Welcome to Gregory A. Hogan and the 2014-2015 school year. I hope all students and families have had a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer holiday. The faculty of Gregory Hogan is looking forward to a new and exciting year. I want to especially welcome all our new JK students and those students and their families that have joined our school community. I look forward to meeting with you over the upcoming weeks and months.

My primary purpose for this communication is to provide timely and current information on our upcoming year at Gregory A. Hogan School **which begins, Tuesday September 2nd, 2014**. In particular, I wanted to communicate information that will update both students and parents surrounding the renovations that has occurred at Gregory Hogan.

As always, Gregory A. Hogan is looking to the future and in July we began the final phase of our renovation project which included 4 FDK classrooms, VP office, Library and 3 additional classrooms. Also included within the construction and renovation project were the much needed expansion and resurfacing of the parking lot which included a bus loading and unloading lane.

If you have driven past our school lately you have seen that there is a lot happening. The facility has taken on a new look due to the addition in the interior of the building and the new parking lot. The classrooms, library and office areas are expected to be completed by the first day of school. However, final touches to these areas will be ongoing for a few days after school resumes. I ask for your understanding and support during this time. In the end, our new home will be a state of the art facility.

## WHAT TO EXPECT UPON ARRIVAL

- A new paved parking lot with a designated bus drop off area.
- The facility will be cleared of any debris on the yard to ensure the safe play of our students.
- Students from grade 1 to grade 3 will be entering the building through the south west doors.
- Students from grade 4 to grade 8 will be entering the building through the south-east entry doors.
- All JK/SK students will be entering/exiting through the north/west entrance next to Mme Alexander and Mme Faubert's rooms.
- Parent council members will be directing the flow of traffic on the first day. We appreciate your support in helping the first day flow smoothly.

## BUS ROUTE/STUDENT DROP OFF AREA:

To ensure the safety of all students, staff and visitors, the school has designed a security plan as follows:

- In the morning, **NO VEHICLES** are allowed to park within the loading and unloading bus lane when buses are unloading and loading students.
- Throughout the day, vehicles can drop off students **ONLY** in this area and move quickly – no walking students to the door.
- **NO PARKING** at any time in this designated area.
- Please follow the arrows to enter and exit the parking lot. Please note that the parking lot is a one-way pattern.

The traffic patterns will greatly change. This will be a work-in-progress as we learn the nuances of the arrival and dismissal traffic flows. Please have patience as we continue to address this issue throughout the start of the school year

**NOTE:** The school newsletter will be delayed and sent home on Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. The delay is to accommodate any further updates and communication surrounding the progress.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns

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