

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, Sept 14
First full day of school

Friday, Sept. 25, 2020
NID Day – No School

Monday, Oct. 12, 2020
Thanksgiving Day

Friday, Oct. 23, 2020
NID Day – No School

Wed, Nov. 11, 2020
Remembrance Day

Friday, Nov. 23, 2020
NID Day – No School

Dec 21, 2020 – Jan 1, 2021
Winter Break

January 4, 2021
Back to School

January 29, 2021
NID Day – No School

February 15, 2021
Family Day – No School

March 22-25, 2021
Spring Break

April 10 – 13, 2020
Easter Break

April 23, 2021
NID Day – No School

May 24, 2021
Victoria Day

June 4, 2021
NID Day – No School

June 25, 2021
Last day for Students.

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

I am honoured to be the principal of Polaris Montessori School. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to be a part of the Montessori community and to strengthen this culture where everyone feels welcome, safe, and respected. Under my leadership at Polaris, I will aspire to build strong healthy relationships where all members have a voice and a sense of belonging. The forefront of my leadership is to support students towards high academic achievement and to encourage and develop students who are empathic and mindful citizens. While we may not be able to meet in person for the distant future I am available by phone and email. Thank you for choosing Polaris Montessori School.

Thank you,

Terry Tisdale

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

During drop off and pick up, parents are asked to park on the street in front of the school and **NOT** accompany your child onto the school grounds due to COVID-19 Safety Protocol of large gatherings and to help with social distancing. Thank you for understanding and cooperation.

NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters will be posted to the webpage and emailed out every second Thursday. Please make sure to check it out to keep up to date and informed about what is happening at Polaris Montessori

****PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO BELL SCHEDULE THIS YEAR****

BELL SCHEDULE – 2020-2021

8:25 Supervision begins
8:35 Entry Bell
8:40 Morning Session Begins (no bell)
11:30 Lunch begins
12:15 Lunch ends (bell sounds)
2:22 Classes End
2:37 After School Supervision Ends

At Polaris Montessori

*We will empower students,
families, and staff.
Follow the core principles of
a Montessori philosophy.
Harmonize the best of what
the Montessori and B.C.
Public Schools' curriculum
have to offer.
Create a school culture
where everyone feels,
connected, cared for,
respected, safe and happy.
Ensure that students and
staff will be successful
within the broader
educational community,
to help students and staff to
be self-directed, self-
monitoring, risk takers.*



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STUDENT PLANNER FEES

The teachers will be collecting \$7 for planner. If paying for several children, please indicate clearly on your form who the money is for.

Exact amount must be submitted as we **CANNOT MAKE CHANGE.**

STUDENT VERIFICATION SHEETS

Verification forms will be coming home next week. Please fill out your child's verification sheet and return to the school as soon as possible making any changes and signing the back page. If you move, change phone numbers or email addresses during the school year please make sure to inform the office as we need to ensure we have accurate contact and health information about your child. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY.**

RRing..."It's Polaris Montessori calling"

We are once again asking you to call the school by 9:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m. if your child will be absent or late. Should you forget to call us, please expect a call from our school confirming your child's whereabouts.

CLOTHING IDENTIFICATION

Putting names on your child's clothing and belongings will make finding lost articles much easier for all of us! You are welcome to come frequently and check our Lost & Found bins in the front hallway!

STUDENT SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT

Late students are expected to come to the office through the front door to let us know that they have arrived safely. If your child arrives late, please make sure that you call the school (250-964-7743) when your child(ren) arrive so they can be let into the school. The number will be posted on the door as well.

STAFF PARKING LOT!!

The staff parking lot is **closed** due to Safety Covid Protocols. Please park along the street and drop your child(ren) off to be supervised by Polaris staff. We apologize that parking is limited, but do appreciate your cooperation and understanding during this time.