



KIMBERLEY-BEACHES NEWS

September 2019

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PRINCIPAL'S

NOTES:

Welcome back for another great year of learning at Kimberley Jr/Beaches Alternative School! I hope you had a fun and relaxing summer. We value the communication between home and school as a key factor in ensuring success for our students. A staff list is attached for your reference. We look forward to engaging and supporting our students as they embrace new challenges and celebrate achievements.

As we start a new school year, the TDSB and the Ministry will be carefully tracking class sizes during the first weeks of September. Reorganization may have to take place during the month of September in order to comply with the "cap" ruling for JK/SK and primary classes. I will keep you posted on any new development.



Information Package

Electronic forms will be emailed on Sept 4/2019; please complete these online forms accordingly. Other paper forms and information will be distributed on the first day of school; please complete and return them to your child's teacher no later than **Tuesday, September 10.**



Safe Arrival

Should your child be absent from school for any reason, please call the school no later than 8:45 a.m. at the following numbers:

Kimberley Jr. P. S.	416-393-1450
Beaches Alternative	416-393-1451

Answering services are available for your convenience to leave messages during off-hours. Should no information concerning your child's absence be received, automated calls home or to work numbers will be made to ascertain your child's whereabouts. Thank you for ensuring your child's safe arrival.

Dismissal Time: There may be times when your child has to stay after school at his/her teacher's request. When this happens, dismissal is at 3:45, not 3:30 pm.

Caring and Safe School Environment

The staff at Kimberley/BAS is committed to creating a caring and safe learning environment for your child and we count on your collaboration. Exterior doors are locked at 9:00am daily.

-All visitors to the school (including parents) are requested to check in at the office.

- Students are supervised by adults from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. in the school yard.

Parent Council

Greater parent involvement in education is one of the key strategies of the Ministry of Education to improve student achievement. Being on the School Council is one of the many ways to support this initiative.

The Parent Councils of both Kimberley and Beaches are made up of parents and teachers, where the goal is to act as an advisory body that supports activities that benefit the students in all areas of the Curriculum. This often involves fund-raising and parent input by way of recommendations to the principal or the Board of Education. The Parent Council meets monthly.

Kimberley parents: please refer to the school council information emailed on Wednesday September 4, 2019.

Non-Prescription & Prescription Medication

No staff member is allowed to administer non-prescriptive medication to any student. If a prescription medication is requested to be administered during school hours, a form will be sent home for you to fill in and obtain your doctor's signature. Depending on the age of the child and the circumstances, permission will be given to office staff who will then administer the medication. The medication must have a prescription with dosage, time, date and doctor's name on it and will be stored in the office.

MedicAlert

Our school is involved in the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation's "No Child Without" program which ensures that children from Junior Kindergarten up to 14 years of age with medical conditions, allergies, or special needs are protected by the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation. There is no cost for students who attend our school and are between the ages of 4 and 14. Parents who have children with a medical condition, allergy or who are required to take medication should consider this program for their child. A child's MedicAlert identification can alert staff, friends, coaches and others about your child's medical condition should an emergency occur.

If your child is already in this program and there have been changes to their medical condition or



Did you receive a letter from Toronto Public Health?

- ✓ See your doctor if your child needs any vaccines
- ✓ Report your child's vaccination record to Toronto Public Health

Online: toronto.ca/health/immunizationconnect

416.338.7600 toronto.ca/health |  **TORONTO** Public Health

medications contact MedicAlert at 1-800-668-1507 to update your child's file.

Scooters, Bikes and Skateboards

These items cannot be ridden on school property. We encourage all students to walk to school, as we have no space for storing scooters/skateboards. Bikes should be stored outside in the bike rack. A lock for your bike is strongly recommended. The school cannot be responsible for items that are lost or damaged. We advocate for the use of safety gear, including a helmet, if riding a bike to school.

Scholastic Book Fair

For Kimberley & Beaches!

Tue. Sept. 24 3:30 – 5:00

Wed. Sept. 25 8:30 – 8:00

Thur. Sept. 26 8:30 – 5:00

Fri. Sept. 27 8:30 – 4:30



We look forward to seeing you at our Scholastic Book Fair and thank you in advance for supporting this very important fundraiser. This is a great opportunity to purchase the latest and greatest in children's books for your fall reading, while helping the school obtain new resources

Sincerely,

M. GlynWilliams
Teacher-Librarian

If you are able to help as a volunteer please contact me at the school

Character Development Attributes

September: RESPECT

Dates To Remember

BAS Café	Thursday, September 5
BAS General Meeting	Tuesday, September 24
Curriculum Night (Kimberley)	Wednesday, September 25
Terry Fox School Run	Thursday, September 26
Picture Day	Friday, September 27
Orange Shirt Day	Monday, September 30
School Council Meeting (Kimberley)	Monday, September 30
P A Day (No School)	Friday, October 11
Thanksgiving (No School)	Monday, October 14
Picture Day - Retakes & Siblings	Friday, November 1
Remembrance Day Assembly	Monday, November 11
P A Day (No School)	Friday, November 15
P A Day (No School)	Friday, December 6
Winter Break (Holiday)	Monday, December 23 - Friday, January 3
P A Day (No School)	Friday, January 17
P A Day (No School)	Friday, February 14
Family Day (No School)	Monday, February 17
March Break (Holiday)	Monday, March 16 – Friday March 20
Good Friday (Holiday)	Friday, April 10
Easter Monday (Holiday)	Monday, April 13
Victoria Day (Holiday)	Monday, May 18
P A Day (No School)	Friday, June 5
Last Day of School	Thursday, June 25



***There are students with severe and life-threatening allergies to peanuts and nuts:
Please do not use peanut or nut products when sending food into the school.***