# Kindergarten Here I Come

Kindergarten Orientation

April 29, 2025

**Welcome and Prayer - Principal** 

Welcome to the Evening

Prayer

Staff Introductions

**Special Guests** 

Kindergarten Orientation Slideshow

Explanation of the School Activities/Tour



#### Kindergarten/la maternelle

#### **Current Kindergarten Team**

Mme Côté- French Immersion Kindergarten

Mrs. Fercho and Mrs. Gates- English Kindergarten



### **Staggered Entry**

#### **Half Day**

Your child will only come for a <u>half day</u> on their first day. On this day they will do some orientation activities including a school tour. They will only have a snack at school and busses will run in the morning and at the end of the day only.

8:18-11:18 or 12:00-3:00

These dates and times will be shared with you via email from our school office in June 2025.

Full days will begin the following school day (8:18-3:00)

### Kindergarten Schedule



Your child will attend school either Mondays/Wednesdays and scheduled Fridays or Tuesdays/Thursdays and scheduled Fridays.

Please note that Fridays do not alternate.

You will receive a yearly/classroom schedule in June. Please add the dates to your calendar so you know when they are to attend.

#### **Before School**

**Morning Routine**: Students are to stay outside until the bell rings (8:18 a.m.). Please be sure to stay outside with your child until 8:12 if you arrive early. Supervisors will be outside from 8:12-8:18 to watch the students before they come into the school. Kindergarten students will need to line up outside of their assigned door until a supervisor lets them inside. Currently they are at the northeast door. If the weather is inclement the students will be let into the classroom before school starts.



#### The First Day of Kindergarten

The first day of Kindergarten can be very exciting and full of varied emotions.

Our staff will be ready to greet your children and help them have successful first day. We will ensure they are supported and feel safe.

Give your child a wave, hug or a kiss goodbye. Let them know you can't wait to hear all about their first day when you pick them up.



### A Sample of a Day in Kindergarten

Soft start Recess

Morning Meeting Lunch

Free Play Intentional Teaching Activities

Recess Phys. Ed

Snack Free Play

Read Aloud <a href="https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en">https://curriculum.learnalberta.ca/curriculum/en</a>

Intentional Teaching Activities (Phonics/Literacy/Math/Science/Social/ Religion/Art/Music)





# **Reporting-Schoology**

We will be reporting your child's learning through a program called Schoology. It is a live reporting system and updates will be made regularly throughout the year to show how your child is progressing with the Kindergarten Curriculum.



# **Eating at School**

**Snack:** The children will have a snack each morning before or after recess.



**Lunch:** Help your child be independent. Send simple "neat-to-eat" food like a sandwich and a piece of fruit. It takes the kids a couple of weeks to get used to the new eating routine and many will not finish all the food that you send. They may come home hungry at the end of the day as they expend a lot of energy and calories learning.

**School Council Hot Lunches:** currently our school council has a hot lunch and milk program that parents can sign up and pay for if they are interested.

**Allergies:** Our school has a <u>nut safe policy</u>. Please send nut free snacks and foods.

### Thank you!

Thanks for coming and enjoy your evening at École Our Lady of the Rosary School as your child prepares for his/her Kindergarten year!





#### **School Activities**



**Gym:** (**Mr. Peterman**) You and your child will get an opportunity to try out some gross motor activities in the gym

**Learning Commons:** (Mrs. Gates) Read a faith-based book

<u>Kindergarten Classroom</u>: (Mrs. Fercho/Mme Côté) Explore the classroom and materials - opportunities to play with a few things

#### **Welcome to Kindergarten**



#### <u>Kindergarten Classrooms</u> - Mrs. Fercho + Mme Côté

Feel free to take the next 10 minutes to explore the classroom and some of the building, creating and learning materials with your child during this time!

There are various building materials, magnets, dinosaurs, play dough, dramatic play in the kitchen and more!