



**Halifax**  
Regional Centre for Education

## **Welcome to John MacNeil Elementary**

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### **New updates due to Covid-19 Protocol**

#### **School Hours**

**8:20-8:30am**

8:40 am

9:55-10:10am

10:10-10:25am

10:25-10:40am

11:10am-1:10pm

**2:45 p.m.**

#### **Students enter building through classroom doors**

Teacher Duty Starts – No students on school grounds before 8:20

Classes Begin

1<sup>st</sup> Recess

2<sup>nd</sup> Recess

3<sup>rd</sup> Recess

Staggered Lunches (teachers will update their individual classes)

**All students Grade Primary to Grade Six are dismissed**

#### **Supplies**

Please find school supply list on the school website. Hard copy available at the office upon request. Each list has a suggested amount of supplies that could stay home. There is also a list of travel supplies that could remain in your child's book bag each day.

#### **Lunch**

All students are permitted to stay for free, **must follow behaviour expectations** and must bring their own lunch. There is no access to a microwave and it is unstructured time supervised by lunch monitors, not teachers.

#### **Breakfast Program**

We offer a breakfast program, depending on volunteers, at John MacNeil School. Breakfast Program will be provided to students in the classroom on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday starting at 8:20 am. Students **must follow behaviour expectations**.

#### **Safe Arrival Program**

When your child will not be in school, call us at 464-2488 or email Miss Robyne at rgorman@hrce.ca. You can leave a message 24 hours a day. It is the parent's responsibility to let the school know if their child will not be attending. If we do not hear from you, we will call regarding your child's absence.

#### **Nut/Scent Aware School**

We have several students/staff that are severely allergic to nuts or scents. We remind parents to not send students with foods containing nut products, this includes Nutella. We also remind you to not use scented products on your child (i.e perfumes, strong fabric softeners). We want to make John MacNeil a safe environment for everyone.

### **Parking/Drop off & Pick-up**

**There is no parking at any time in the parking lot.** We have bussing students this year and the busses need room to turn around. The area in front of the door is to be left clear at all times for emergency vehicles and the school buses. You may drop off your child at the cul-de-sac at the end of the street; pull up to the curb, have the child exit from the right, signal, and pull out slowly. **Never leave your vehicle unattended in the cul-de-sac.**

Children will enter and be dismissed through their **classroom doors**. It is really important that your child arrives between 8:20 and 8:30 each day.

### **Parents/Visitors/Volunteers**

Anyone coming to the school must ring the bell and wait for an answer. There is restricted access for all non-essential adults to the building, this includes parents /guardians. Essential visitors are to complete the 811 screening tool and confirm that they have no symptoms before entering the building. We are required to keep a list of all essential visitors to the building and confirm that they have been screened.

It's important to send notes in the morning if you are picking up your child early so we can have them ready for you. If an emergency happens, please give the school a call and we will get your child ready so you are not waiting.

KEEP AN EYE on our website [jmc.hrce.ca](http://jmc.hrce.ca) and twitter @JohnMacNeil42 – newsletters, calendars, events, etc.

**Children go directly home once they are dismissed. We can't have students playing on the school grounds right after school as we are trying to adhere to the social distancing guidelines.**

**We cannot supervise students waiting for older siblings to pick them up. Please make arrangements if you are going to be late picking up your child.**