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Good Afternoon Manordale Families,

Welcome back, Wolf Pack! 

We had an absolutely fantastic start to the school year at Manordale PS. It was so wonderful to see all of our students return with smiling faces, ready to share stories about their summer adventures. The first week back was incredibly smooth, and it truly felt like our community was back home again.

A special welcome to Ms. Barrett, our new Vice-Principal, who has been completely amazed by the incredible community spirit here.

Our students have adjusted beautifully to the new recess and lunch breaks. We've heard so many positive comments about having more room to play and more time to connect with friends. The children's excitement is contagious, and they are already sharing brilliant ideas for new clubs to run this year, including a cheer club! I'm thrilled with the idea and look forward to meeting with the student leaders this week to discuss logistics. Of course, all feet must stay on the ground for this one!

It's going to be a great year, Wolf Pack!

Reminder:

School Arrival Times: 8:20 am-8:35 am

School Day: 8:35 am-3:05 pm

Dismissal Time: 3:05 p.m.



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Staff:

We want to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Soheila, who is heading back to her previous school as an ECE. We enjoyed having her with us this past week and are thrilled that she has the opportunity to return to a school she knows well. We wish her all the best! We are currently looking to hire a new PM ECE for the Alligators class.

Kinder Alligators: Ms. Lyons (Teacher), Ms. Timlin (ECE AM),

Kinder Bears: Ms. Black (Teacher), Ms. Beaton (ECE AM), Mr. Cline (ECE PM)

EF1: Mme. Richardson

R1: Ms. Weber

EF2: Mme. France

R2: Ms. McCauley

R23: Ms. Chapman

EF34: Mme. Perrin

R34: Ms. Kaur

EF45: Mme. Rezagui

R45: Ms. Daisy

R56: Ms. McEachen

EF6: Mme. Laurin

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Non-Homeroom Staff:

Mr. Yachnin- Kinder A/B coverage, EF1 Math, EF2 Math/Eng, Music R2, R23, R34, R45, R56, EF6

Ms. Merz- EF45 Eng/Math; EF6 Eng/Math

Ms. Issa- Librarian

Core French:

R1- Mme. Richardson

R2- Mme. France

R23- Mme. Laurin

R34- Mme. Laurin

R45- Mme. Perrin

R56- Mme. Rezagui
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Our Support Team:

ESL Lead: Ms. Norman

ESL/EF34 Eng/Math: Ms. Khan

LRT/VP: Ms. Barrett

LST: Ms. Dolan

EA: Ms. Zafiri

EA: Ms. Roberts

EA: Ms. Allen

EA: Ms. Arnoczki

Office Staff:

Office Administrator: Ms. Gemma

Office Admin. Assistant: Ms. Janet

LunchTime Monitors: Ms. Shehla and Ms. Mounia

Breakfast Monitor/Coordinator: Ms. Hollie

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Highlights at Manordale!

This year, we're thrilled to introduce some exciting changes to our school spaces, all designed to make our building feel even more like a true Wolf Pack community.

Junior Wolf "loos":

A big highlight of our first week back has been the overwhelmingly positive feedback on the junior washrooms. The vibrant designs and uplifting quotes painted over the summer have truly brightened the space. It's wonderful to see our students so excited about a space that reminds them they are enough, they are valued and important, and to be the "I" in kind. A gigantic thank you to Ms. Janet (Office administrative assistant), Ms. Natasha (Co-Chair School Council) and Ms. Norman (ESL Lead) who came in over the summer to work as a team with Ms. Langill (Principal) painting and designing.



Renaming our Key Rooms:



Our Body Break Room is now the **Wolves' Recharge Zone**, a place for our students to decompress and get their wiggles out. Ms. Rachel organizes the recharge zone and ensures students are following predesigned circuits that meet their needs. Our quiet Sensory Room has been transformed into the **Wolves' Zen Den**, a calm and peaceful space for self-regulation and quiet reflection. The library is now the **Wolves' Reading Nook**, a cozy spot for our cubs to curl up with a good book.

Further, our makerspace is now the **Wolf Pack Discovery Centre**, a place where creativity and problem-solving thrive. Our gym is now called the **Wolves' Athletic Den**, where we can all gather for fun, physical activity, and school-wide events. Finally, we have introduced a new space in the front lobby called the **Wolves' Learning Lounge**. In this space, students requiring an alternate work area sit and learn with Ms. Langill or Ms. Barrett's guidance. We hope these new names help reinforce our sense of belonging as one big, happy wolf pack!



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Snack Bins/Breakfast Program:



Ms. Hollie is our breakfast program coordinator. Each year, Manordale receives funds for their program through donations and ONFE. The food purchased is served in bin Monday to Friday and students may have access to the food as needed during the day.

This year, once the food bins are picked up during the first nutrition break, the food will be returned to one bin and that bin will be brought to the office so students may continue to access healthy options during the day.

Each Friday, starting September 26, students accessing the breakfast program are invited to the library at 8:20-8:35 for a sit down breakfast. A breakfast includes healthy fruit/vegetable, protein and grain. At the end of each month our plan is to serve a hot breakfast meeting these three categories of healthy food. All food meets the Canadian Food Guide. Thank you to Ms. Erin who has volunteered to help on Fridays, starting September 26, with the breakfast program!



Happy Birthday Bin!

We are excited to share a new addition to the Manordale office! To make our students' special days even more memorable, we have introduced a **Happy Birthday Bin**. Now, when we announce our wolves' birthdays on the morning announcements, they are invited to come to the office on their big day to choose a small "happy birthday gift" from the birthday bin. The whole office is delighted to share in these opportunities to celebrate the fantastic students in our wolf pack! Children who have a birthday on a Saturday will be recognized Friday, and those wolves who celebrate on a Sunday will be recognized on Monday. Our summer birthdays will be recognized in June!

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Gold Dustpan Award!

Congratulations to EF34, the lucky winner of this week's **Gold Dustpan Award!**

Every week, our amazing afternoon and evening custodian, Ms. Nikki, carefully observes all the classrooms to decide who has kept their space the cleanest. As a special surprise, she leaves the Golden Dustpan in the winning classroom overnight on Thursday, so the students discover it as soon as they arrive on Friday morning!

Keep up the incredible work, everyone! The class with the **most** wins over a three-month period (at the end of November) will be treated to a special **pizza lunch** sponsored by the office. Let's see which class can sweep away the competition!



Administration Mobile Offices: Kindness Mobiles



Soon, you'll be seeing our "mobile offices" in the hallways!

These offices are carts equipped with our laptops, allowing us to easily move from our main office to different areas of the school. This approach enables us to "park" in classrooms to work and assist, and to be more present in the hallways throughout the day.

Our goal is to be more accessible, offering immediate support to both students and staff. We look forward to engaging with the learning

happening in our classrooms and to being more a part of the day-to-day life of our incredible Manordale Wolf Pack.

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Wolf Soccer Try-outs start this week:

Ms. Rachel is coaching our soccer team this year and she is starting tryouts this week. Students in Grades 4-6 should listen for more information on the announcements this week.



Conflict Resolution At Manordale:

At Manordale, we use our PAWS when upset or in a challenging situation. Please partner with us and use it at home as well. We are teaching our students that it is okay to be upset, but it is never okay to say something mean (either verbally or in writing) or physically harm another person. By using our PAWS we teach our students how to appropriately resolve a situation. PAWS stands for:



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School Arrival and Kiss and Ride Procedure:



The "Kiss and Ride" is a designated drop-off area where parents can safely and quickly drop off their children at school without leaving their vehicles.

To ensure a smooth and efficient process, please have your child ready to exit the car with their belongings as you approach the drop-off zone. Pull forward as far as possible, remain in your vehicle, and allow staff to assist your child if needed. For safety reasons, children are to exit on the passenger side only. Please do not park or

leave your vehicle in the Kiss and Ride lane. Your cooperation helps keep traffic moving and ensures a safe arrival for all students.

If you are parking and getting out of your vehicle, please do so in designated areas on the street away from the Kiss and Ride zone. As well, it is essential that Carola street be treated as a one-way from 8:15-8:45 and 2:45-3:15. Children will be prohibited from exiting vehicles stopping on the opposite side of the school due to safety concerns.

Please note U-turns are not allowed on Carola street; therefore, Carola is to be treated as a one-way with no turning onto Carola from Knoxdale.

Looking For Volunteers!!

We are transitioning our Friday breakfast program to a sit-down meal for students. Our goal is to provide a hot, sit-down breakfast at the end of each month. To support this shift from the Friday snack bin, we are looking for two volunteers to assist with food preparation, set-up, supervision, and clean-up. Volunteer hours are 7:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. If you are interested, please contact Principal Langill or Vice-Principal Barrett.



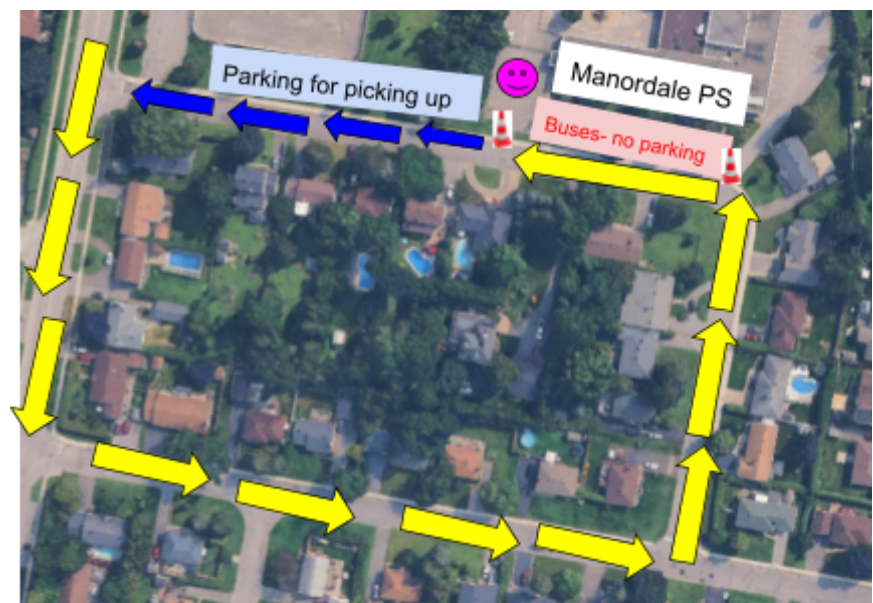
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Reminder to all Families: Please use Carola as a one way street, this keeps our children safe. Please consider using the kiss and ride which is running smoothly!

Arrival Map:



Dismissal Map:



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Donations Needed for Recess Cart:

We are introducing a recess cart for students to have access to blankets for sitting, games for playing and puzzles. This cart will be brought out for both Gr 4-6 and 1-3 recesses and will provide an opportunity for children to engage in cooperative play. If you have any games (simple, easy to play with all pieces), card games such as U-no (favourite at Manordale!) and/or puzzles you wish to donate please bring them to our office. Much appreciated! Thank you to all of you who have donated items:)



Volunteering:

At Manordale, we truly value and appreciate our volunteers! We believe that strong partnerships with parents and families play a vital role in creating a positive and supportive learning environment for our students. Whether you're joining us on field trips, helping in the classroom, or assisting in other ways, your involvement makes a meaningful difference.



Please note that, as part of a new procedure, anyone wishing to volunteer—whether for field trips, driving, or classroom support—must first complete the required forms (attached to this email) and receive approval from the principal.

Completed forms can be submitted via email to lisa.langill@ocdsb.ca or dropped off in person at the school office. If you need printed copies of the forms, we're happy to provide them upon request. Thank you for your support and partnership!

Reminder: School Council Elections are taking place on September 15 virtually. Our first council meeting will take place during this meeting with elections being held at approximately 7:30 p.m. The meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. If you wish to nominate yourself, or nominate someone else, please fill out the form attached and drop it off in the main office.



Kindly,

Lisa Langill, Principal and Christol Barrett, Vice-Principal