# **Meet the Teacher Information Package**

Grade 5/6 - French Program (Extended)



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to grades 5 and 6! Our year is off to a great start and the month of September is well underway. I am delighted to teach the grade 5 and 6 French Extended program, and I look forward to an exciting and fulfilling year! As your child's French teacher, I welcome communication and hope that you will feel comfortable talking to me about questions and concerns that arise throughout the school year. I have included an outline of the grade 5 and 6 French program.

# Nut Free School

Chapel Hill is a nut-free school, which means absolutely no nut products are allowed within the school. We ask you to please respect this policy as some allergies are life-threatening.

#### <u>Absences</u>

Please ensure to call or email the school when your child will be absent, especially on snow days if your child does not take the bus. If your child is late for school, please make sure to check in with the front office to sign your child in.

#### **Communication**

When I need to communicate with you, I will call you from school, use the SeeSaw app, the class website (mme-emily.weebly.com) or email you directly. When you need to communicate with me, you can write a note in the agenda, call the school and leave me a message (613-837-3773) or email me directly. I will do my best to call you after school or email you throughout the day/evening.

#### COVID-Wise Information

This school year, protocols and procedures have changed and updated due to the changing virus waves.

- Masks are no longer mandatory. We asked that you respect adults and students who choose to wear them or not.
- Hand washing after recess and before eating is strongly encouraged.



Thank you so much for your support and understanding. I honestly do appreciate everything you are doing to help make your child's school experience COVID-safe.

# <u>Important reminders</u>

I will be using the SeeSaw application, which lets you receive notifications letting you know about important events, homework and information that needs to be relayed to you. I also have a web page (<a href="http://mme-emily.weebly.com">http://mme-emily.weebly.com</a>). In tab Grade 5/6 (FSL), you will see important information, homework links and other important links to help your child succeed this year.

#### Methods of Evaluation

- Samples of student work (daily and projects)
- Teacher observation
- Teacher/Student conferences
- Skills checklists and anecdotal notes
- Quizzes and tests

### **Notebooks**

It is necessary that students maintain neatly organized notebooks in the junior grades. Errors should be corrected, writing should be legible, and all entries should include a title and a date.



# <u>Technology</u>

At the beginning of the year, your child signed a contract stating they will properly and respectfully use technology in class. Whenever that contract is broken, your child will, unfortunately, have a consequence regarding technology (prohibited for a certain period of time, etc.). Please make sure they understand this contract and the technology rules.

## Hapara

This is a Student Portal tool that is frequently used to post assignments and assessments to aid in student learning. It was used a lot during Remote Learning. If you want to see what your child is up to during the school year, you can always check their Hapara Portal.

# Homework and Agenda

Homework consists mainly of completing tasks started in class, activity pages, studying for tests and daily reading. Students are responsible for recording assigned tasks and essential events in the agenda. As well as providing a valuable communication link between home and school, the agenda is an essential organizational tool throughout the grade 5 and 6 programs.

# French program

Every day, the third block is spent in French. The first half of the block starts with oral communication and new vocabulary, followed by a lesson and activities in Listening, Speaking, Reading or Writing. Your child will be expected to make every effort to communicate in French with the teacher and with peers during class time.

Please encourage your child to read in French every day. When your child brings home a text/book in French to practice reading, please ask him/her to read it aloud to practice pronunciation and fluency.

# Social Studies

Social Studies are taught in French. Again, the topics will often be integrated with the Language Arts.

The close cooperation between school and home can only lead to the best possible outcome. I look forward to working with you to provide your child with an enjoyable and productive year in grade 4. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at school (613-837-3773) or through email (emily.coburn@ocsb.ca).

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