



Mackay Centre School and Philip E. Layton School  
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## October 2018 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Guardians:

September has flown by and we are getting into the rhythm of a new school and new school year. We have had an exciting start, with a beautiful inauguration celebration. We would like to thank you for your understanding and cooperation in making the beginning of this new chapter of our schools a success!



### IMPORTANT DATES IN OCTOBER

Tuesday, Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Governing Board Meeting for Mackay Centre School
Wednesday, Oct. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Governing Board Meeting for Philip E. Layton School
Friday, Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup>	World Teachers' Day
Monday, Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup>	Thanksgiving Day – <b>NO SCHOOL</b> - Daycare not available
Tuesday, Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Vaccination (for grade 4 age students only)
Monday, Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup>	First Communication (Progress Report)
Friday, Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Board Wide Professional Day – <b>NO SCHOOL</b> - Daycare available
Tuesday, Oct. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	School Photos for Philip E. Layton School
Wednesday, Oct. 24 <sup>th</sup>	School Photos for Mackay Centre School

### GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS AND FIRST MEETING:

#### Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> for Mackay Centre School

Our first meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The members of the Governing Board for this year are: Ms. Caroline Elias, Mrs. Chantal Marsolais, Mr. Mark DeAngelis and Mrs. Yang Zhang. We appreciate their involvement and their commitment.



#### Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> for Philip E. Layton School

Our first meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 3:15 p.m. The members of the Governing Board for this year are: Ms. Roynette McIntyre, Mrs. Fatima Qureshi, Mrs. Sima Hannaux and Mrs. Anne Gagnon. We appreciate their involvement and their commitment.

### The Terry fox Run 2018

This is a very special year for Mackay Centre School. This will be our first TERRY FOX RUN in our new school! To make it even more special we are celebrating our 25<sup>th</sup> year of participating and supporting the Terry's Marathon of Hope. In our 25 years we have raised a total of **\$64,521.75!**

Our goal this year is to surpass our last year's total of \$4356. If we raise that amount the students will get to throw a pie in some of the teachers' faces. Like Terry Fox we will never give up!

We hope you will consider sponsoring us in support of our efforts. Your kindness will impact the lives of so many people living with cancer.

You can donate on-line by going to our website and clicking on the link:

<http://www.emsb.qc.ca/mackay/>

or directly to the Terry Fox Link to our donations page:

<http://www.terryfox.ca/MackayCentreSchoolMontreal>

### FIRST COMMUNICATION

The Progress Report will be sent home this month. This first communication indicates how your child is progressing at this time in the various subject areas, with a comment on behaviour.



## **PLEASE SPONSOR Mackay Centre School - Montréal, QC**

[www.terryfox.ca](http://www.terryfox.ca)

This year we are proudly supporting The Terry Fox Foundation in its ongoing work to fund innovative and progressive cancer research programs. Please support our school by joining us or making a donation. Your kindness will impact the lives of so many people living with cancer

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### **WORLD TEACHERS DAY: Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> is World Teachers' Day, sponsored by UNESCO. World Teachers' Day (WTD) provides the opportunity to draw public attention to the important role of teachers within society. According to UNESCO, "World Teachers' Day represents a significant effort to raise awareness, understanding and appreciation for the vital contribution that teachers make to education and development across the globe." Please think of your child's teachers on this day.

### **SCHOOL PICTURES:**

The school photos for **Philip E. Layton School will be taken on Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

The school photos for **Mackay Centre School will be taken on Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.**

We would like your child to bring in his/her own hair brush or comb on that day. Volunteers will be available to assist the photographer and the children. The pictures should be ready before the holiday break.

### **THANKSGIVING DAY: MONDAY, OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup>**

This is the time of year when we give thanks for all that we have to be grateful for.

On behalf of the Mackay and Philip E. Layton family, we wish you all a BEAUTIFUL AND PEACEFUL THANKSGIVING!

### **FREE HEBREW FOR JUNIORS**

This is a free service provided to students during the lunch period on Thursdays. If you would like more information, please call 514-735-2259, ext: 226 or go to the website: [www.freehebrew.com](http://www.freehebrew.com) or email: [info@freehebrew.com](mailto:info@freehebrew.com)

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE: TRANSPORTATION ARRANGEMENTS**

Please remember to notify the school if there is any change in your child's transportation arrangement on any given day. **A phone message must be given to the School Secretary (514-483-0550 ext.1253) OR the Vice Principal (ext.3253) AND the bus company (if your child takes the bus).** This information is needed to make sure all staff know about the changes. In addition, please write a note to the teacher in the child's communication book.

### **TELEPHONE NUMBERS**



Please ensure that the telephone numbers that you have given to us are numbers (home, cell, or work) for which we can reach you immediately. Given the fact that we are dealing with a fragile and vulnerable student population, we cannot stress the importance of being able to reach you in case of an emergency.

Please note that if the school nurse assesses that your child cannot be placed on the school bus to be sent home, you will be asked to come and pick your child up promptly.

### **WEATHER**

As the Fall season begins so do the cooler temperatures. Please ensure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Until weather conditions permit, the students will be going outside to play during the recess periods; additionally, parents are reminded to label all their child's clothing and school belongings. This will make it easier for us to return any lost item to your child.



***Thank you for your continued support.***