

# School Handbook 2022-2023

Igniting the spark for a lifetime of learning

# Welcome to Beaumont School!

#### **Beaumont School**

Beaumont School is a community of learners - students, teachers, parents/guardians, and support staff who grow and discover together! As a staff it is important to us to build strong relationships with our students and their families. It is also important to us to provide a safe and supportive learning environment within the school. We encourage our students to have a growth mindset while learning and to be good citizens by being kind to each other.

#### **Mission Statement**

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#### **School Information and Hours**

**School Phone:** 204-895-2820

Fax: 204-895-3196

Student Entry: 8:50 am

**AM Recess:** 10:30 -10:45 am

**Lunch:** 11:45 -12:45 pm

**PM Recess:** 2:20 - 2:35 pm

**Dismissal:** 3:35 pm



# **Student Entry Doors**

We ask that in the morning, you say goodbye to your child outside of the school. Students will be welcomed in at their respective doors when the bell rings. This will be the procedure at the end of the day as well. Entrance and exit will be as follows:

Kindergarten: East doors by the office

Grade 1/2 Chin/Redmond, Grade 1/2 Hayes: East doors by the office Grade 2/3 Harrison, Grade 3/4 Knight/Borger: Southeast doors Grade 4/5 Motts/Waters, Gr. 4/5 Wood/Thomas: Southwest doors

Bus students will enter and exit through the Front door on Bettsworth Ave..

#### **Office Hours**

Office hours are 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. An answering machine is available to record calls beyond these times. Please note that all doors of the school are locked after 9:00 am. A buzzer system is available for use at the parking lot door, where you can buzz the office for access to the school. Please phone 204-895-2820 or email Sharon Tourand, Admin Secretary <a href="mailto:stourand@pembinatrails.ca">stourand@pembinatrails.ca</a> with any office related questions.

#### **Visitors**

We ask that all visitors and parent volunteers hand sanitize and report to the office upon entering the school. Visitors are required to sign in at the office.



#### **Attendance**

Pembina Trails has initiated a new system called Edsby where parents/guardians can enter an absence through this program. You can also phone the school at (204) 895-2820 before classes begin in the morning or afternoon to inform us if you child will be absent. We operate a call back system to ensure the safety of our students, so if an attendance message is not received either through Edsby or by phone message, a call will be made to you regarding your child's absence.

Please note that it is important that students arrive as close to the bell as possible as there is no supervision outside the school in the morning.

Students are asked to report to the office when arriving late and parents should report to the school office when picking up their child during regular school hours. When someone other than a parent/guardian is picking up a child, we ask to be informed prior to the pick-up.

We appreciate parents ensuring students attend school regularly except in cases where illness or other similar cause makes absence unavoidable. Students arriving "on time" is important as valuable learning is lost with repetitive tardiness.

## **Communication with Parents**

The primary mode of communication with our parent community is through electronic means. Please inform the office if your email address changes during the school year. Beaumont School uses Permission



Click for the collection of School Fees and Lunch Fees, which is accessed through a link that is emailed out to parents in the fall. Many other emails are sent home as required to keep parents/guardians up to date on various pieces of important information.

Our school Twitter account <u>Beaumont School (@BeaumontPT) / Twitter</u> provides a glimpse into daily school life, while the Beaumont School webpage provides parents and our community with detailed informationregarding our school. We encourage parents to visit both Twitter and our website frequently.

### **Reporting Student Progress**

In September, the students of Beaumont School participate in Strong Beginnings. Students have a one-hour appointment with their classroom teacher who continues to get to know students as learners through formal and informal assessments in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy and Learning Behaviors.

Teachers communicate five times per year with parents regarding their child's learning. October and February are **Tri-conferences**, where the **parent**, **child and teacher** meet to review the child's learning profile: identifying areas of strength, interests, learning needs and learning goals. These conversations are critical to ensure that the child's team is working together to support growth. This year, our first meeting time will focus more specifically on goal setting, and our February meeting will be a celebration of learning. Meetings may or may not be held in person, depending on the current Public Health regulations.

**Formal report cards** are distributed in December, March and June. Parents are encouraged to communicate directly with their child's teacher regarding any questions, concerns and/or suggestions to support their child's academic, social/emotional and behavioral growth. Together we do make wonderful things happen!

#### **Student Drop Off/Pick Up and Parking Safety**

The parking lot is reserved for staff use. All spots are reserved. Parking for student drop off andpick up is available on Betsworth Ave., Civic St., Community Row and Hunterspoint Rd.

For the safety of our children, please be sure to adhere to the parking/driving signage onBetsworth Ave. Please note: There is no stopping in front of the school to drop studentsoff. To ensure the safety of all, we encourage all families to cross with our patrols on Betsworth Avenue.

It is helpful to arrange a pre-determined drop off/pick up spot with your child/ren on one of the above streets to limit traffic congestion on Betsworth Ave.

Thank you in advance for your collaboration in keeping our students safe!

# **Storm Days and Extreme Weather Conditions**

On extreme cold and rainy days, we ask parents to ensure that their child is appropriately dressed according to daily forecasts.

When the wind chill drops below -27 degrees Celsius, recesses (am, lunch, and pm) will be held indoors.

Weather readings used by Beaumont School are obtained primarily by our on-site weather station.



#### **School Bus Transportation**

Parents who are interested or in need of transportation for their child/ren can contact the Pembina Trails School Division Transportation Department directly. The Transportation Department contact information is available at <a href="https://www.pembinatrails.ca">www.pembinatrails.ca</a> under the What we Offer tab.

School bus transportation may be cancelled due to inclement weather even though schools may still be in session. Bus cancellation decisions are made by the Superintendents of the Metro School Divisions in the city. Parents are to tune in to CJOB Radio regarding potential bus cancellations during times of inclement weather.

#### **School Dress**

Appropriate and respectful dress is required at school. For safety reasons, students must have indoor shoes on at all times.

Students are asked to remove outdoor footwear upon entering the building. Together we can keep our school clean and beautiful!

#### **Bicycle Safety**

- Please encourage your child to wear bicycle helmets at all times when riding.
- Students are to walk their bicycles when on school grounds.
- Students are encouraged to lock their bike with a sturdy lock.
   The school assumes noresponsibility for lost or stolen bikes.
- Students are encouraged to stay alert for cars coming out of driveways, lanes, or parkingspaces.



#### **Co-Curricular Activities**

Thanks to the dedication of our staff, Beaumont School offers extra-curricular activities before, after, and/or during the lunch recess. Some of these may include musicals, art club, choir, jump rope, running club, volleyball, basketball, cross country running track and field, and juggling club.

Information regardingthese clubs will be sent home via a student permission slip and/or Permission Click.

# **Student Support Services**

A continuum of supports is available to support student learning. The core educational team centers on the student including the teacher and the parents/guardians. The classroom teacher plays a critical role in determining the appropriate supports to support individual learning and when necessary will access the in-school support team.

The in-school support team includes the administrator, the resource teachers, and possibly an educational assistant. If additional support is required the team may access, with parent/guardian permission, the divisional clinical supports.

#### **Lunch Program**

We offer the service of a Lunch Program operated by school administration. Registration information is available in the office or on our school website's What We Offer page. Fees for the 2022-2023 school year are \$165.00 per student for the full year.

Students eat lunch in their classrooms under the supervision of the Lunch Program Supervisors from 11:45 am – 12:15 pm and from 12:15 pm – 12:45 pm students go outside to enjoy 30 minutes of supervised play.

Students are expected to follow all lunch program expectations.

#### **Lost and Found**

Students are discouraged from bringing valuables or money to school. Lost items are placed in the Lost and Found near the office and students are encouraged to check for lost items. Unclaimed items at the end of the school yearwill be donated to a charitable organization.

#### **Allergy Alert**

Please note that Beaumont School is a Peanut/Tree Nut Aware School. Due to student and staff allergies, students and staff are encouraged to refrain from bringing foods to school that contain peanuts and/or tree nuts.

Thank you for your collaboration in ensuring the safety of all our staff and students at Beaumont School.

## **Medication**

If your child requires regular medication during the school day it will be administered through the office following the completion of a divisional form, complete with staff/parent signatures. All medication must remain in the original prescription container.

# **Nutritional Policy**

At Beaumont School, staff and parents embrace the healthy eating policy as outlined by the Government of Manitoba. Students are strongly encouraged to bring healthy snack choices for daily snacks as well as healthy food choices for class celebrations.

# Food Safety/Birthday Celebrations

We are asking families who wish to celebrate their child's birthday in the classroom (optional) tosend **non-food related items**. Examples of things that would be appropriate are pencils, erasers, bookmarks or a book to be read and donated to the classroom library in your child's honour.

Thank you for your support in keeping our children healthy and safe.



#### **Student School Patrols**

Students in Grade 5 can apply to become School Patrols. Responsible students volunteer theirtime to provide an essential service to our school community.

Students are trained on the procedures and expectations, using a program developed by the Winnipeg Police Service.



Please be diligent and aware of our student school patrols when dropping off and picking up your child/ren. Please adhere to all parking/driving signage on Betsworth Ave and cross at the corners with our safety patrols.

Thank you for your collaboration in keeping our students safe!

#### **School Safety**

Beaumont School has established an Emergency Response Plan which aims to protect the health and safety of all students and staff. This includes the following safety plans: Fire, Lockdown, Emergency Evacuation and Natural Disaster. In case of an emergency all students will be evacuated to Oak Park High School. In the event of an emergency evacuation parents would be contacted directly via School Messenger.

