

Welcome
parents/guardians
and students
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General Information

Our school day starts at 8:40 and ends at 3:00.

Yard supervision begins at 8:15

Bus supervision runs from 3:00-3:10 after school

Instructional blocks during the day:

8:40-10:40 : First instructional block

11:20-1:20 : Second instructional block

2:00-3:00 : Third instructional block



Activity/Nutrition breaks

40 minutes in length

Grade 7's start outside for the first 20 minutes and then head inside to the cafeteria for the second 20 minutes.

Our main yard is at the front of the school that faces Campeau. During the warmer months, we do take advantage of the field near the Parkway for our afternoon breaks.

On our yard we have basketball nets, foursquare courts and tetherball for active play. No technology is allowed outside during recess.



Safe Arrival at School

The bell rings to come inside at 8:30 to come inside to get ready for the day. You need to be in class to start at 8:40. If you miss attendance, you must check-in with the office. Be sure to pay attention at the crosswalk in the morning if you are walking or riding your bike to school. If you bring your bike to school, you must ensure it is properly locked up on the bike racks.



Shared spaces - library, auditorium, cafeteria

Our schedules do not match with the high school, so we do not have shared breaks with them.

We do have use of the cafeteria for our nutrition breaks.

We use the auditorium for assemblies and performances.

Our students have a day each week to access the school library.



Class placements

We solicit input from the staff at our feeder schools to create our classes. Their current teachers know the students best and assist us in making class placement decisions. We work to create balanced classes that include students from all of our feeder schools.



Lockers

Each student is assigned a locker and will receive a lock from the school. Our building is used often during the evenings and weekends so the lockers must be locked at all times. Combinations should be kept confidential. It is the student's responsibility to keep his/her locker clean and organized.



Use of Technology

Students are allowed to bring and use devices at school once they have returned the appropriate forms. There are 3 different zones within the school that outline when/where it is appropriate to be using your device. They are:

Green - During the nutrition break (not recess!) and outside before school starts. You must still use your device appropriately during those times!

Yellow - Most classrooms are a yellow zone. This means that your technology should be on silent, face down on your desk. You should only be using it if the teacher gives permission and it must be for educational reasons. If you need to contact your parents, please use the phone in the office.

Red - Technology should not be brought to the following areas: music class, physical education - including the change room, drama (unless you have been given specific instructions otherwise), the washroom, assemblies and outdoor recess.



Our staff

We have a caring, dedicated and supportive staff here at Earl of March. I would like to give them an opportunity to introduce themselves to you now.

Our students

I would now like to invite Portia to speak to you about how to get involved here at Earl of March. We will then have Stephanie and Christina talk to you about science. Finally, we will have Joshua Chervathur and Maria Zoranovic speak to you about athletics at EOM





Exploring the intermediate wing

I would now like to invite you to explore the intermediate wing of the school. Our WEB leaders and members of our student council will be available in the lower atrium if you would like a guided tour. If not, please feel free to explore at your leisure. Our staff will be available in the main foyer until 8:30 if you have any questions.