



June 29, 2026

Dear Mino Pimatisiwin families,

We wanted to share some important updates and information before the end of this school year in preparation for school starting in September.

Your child's teacher for next year will be indicated at the bottom of their Seven Oaks report card. Kindergarten families will have received a separate email message indicating their class and teacher. You will have the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher at orientation meetings at the beginning of September. If your child is coming from another school division, you will receive an email in August confirming your child's classroom placement.

Orientation Days for All Grades:

Tuesday, September 8th and Wednesday, September 9th

Classes Begin for Grades 1-6:

Thursday, September 10th

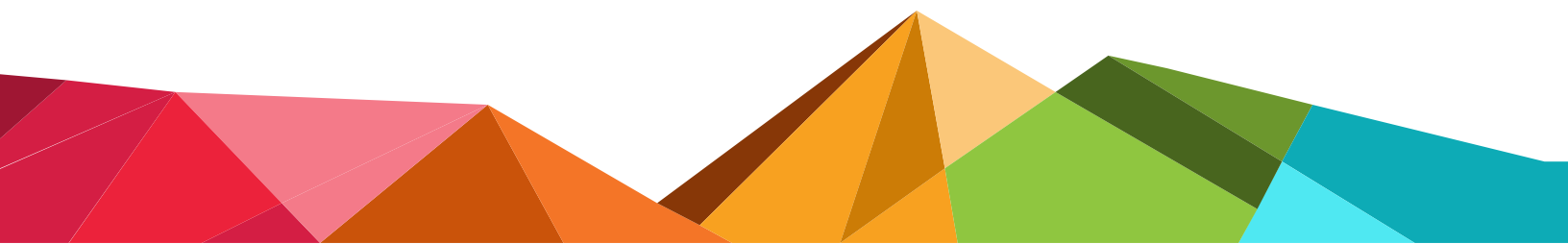
Staggered Start for Kindergarten Students:

Thursday, September 10th and Friday, September 11th

Our school office opens full time beginning on Monday, August 31st at 8:30 a.m. You will be able to make your orientation day appointment beginning Tuesday, September 1st via ParentConnect. An email message will be sent out with a reminder and directions for making your orientation meeting.

To support a model of multi-age learning, we are going to have the following class configurations for the 2026/2027 school year; 4 kindergarten classes (1 A.M. and 1 P.M. class for both English and French immersion), 6 multi-age grades 1/2 classes (3 English/3 French immersion), 7 multi-age grades 3/4 classes (4 English, 3 French immersion) and 6 grades 5/6 classes (4 English, 2 French immersion). If your child is entering Kindergarten or grade 1 and you are interested in more information about the French immersion program, please contact us at minopimatisiwin@7oaks.org. This program is designed for new language learners and families do not need to speak French to support their child's learning. We are happy to answer any questions you may have.

This message includes a list of our staff members for the upcoming school year as well as a list of important dates to mark on your calendars, including holidays and Professional Development days when there will be no school.



There has been interest expressed in creating a “walking school bus” for families living in the Aurora community so students can walk together to school. We will have staff available to support this initiative and will have more information to come at the start of the school year.

We hope everyone enjoys a wonderful summer! We are looking forward to seeing everyone in the fall and welcoming you all to the École Mino Pimatisiwin School building and community!

École Mino Pimatisiwin School

2026-2027 School Supply List

Students Entering Grades 1-5

École Mino Pimatisiwin School will be collecting \$45 per student in grades 1-6 for supplies. Parents are asked to pay online on Parent Connect with a credit card or bring cash or a cheque (payable to École Mino Pimatisiwin) at the orientation meetings in September.

It is the intent of our school division to minimize costs for parents and through bulk purchasing we are striving to accomplish this. This is consistent with our policy of keeping school related costs to a minimum for parents, for example, no additional charges for field trips or band instruments.

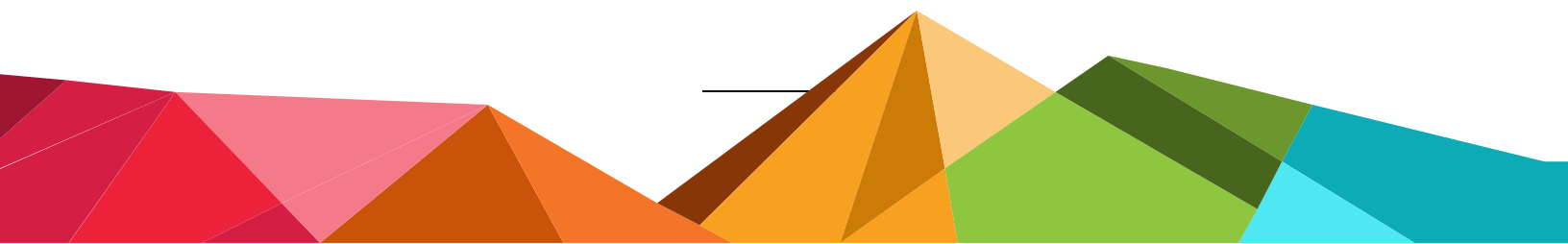
Below is a list of additional items that are needed this year. Please bring the following items to school with you on the first day of school.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS ARE LABELED WITH YOUR CHILD’S NAME

- ✓ 1 lunch kit
- ✓ 1 school bag suitable for carrying lunch bag and books
- ✓ 1 pair of running shoes
- ✓ A reusable water bottle
- ✓ A full change of clothes (pants, shirt, underwear, and socks)

Web Forms on Parent Connect

Please be sure to visit Parent Connect and read/acknowledge our web forms. All our school forms are online on Parent Connect. This is to reduce the amount of paper we consume during the year. You only need to read and acknowledge each form once, at the beginning of the year. Your web answers will be saved for the entire school year. You will be able to do this come Tuesday, September 1st.



École Mino Pimatisiwin School Staff 2026/2027

OFFICE STAFF/ BUREAU

Crystal Hanson (Principal Teacher/Enseignante Directrice)
Cheryl Deans (Vice-Principal Teacher/Enseignante Directrice-Adjointe)
Katee Weremiuk (Administrative Assistant)
Tammy Sabel (Administrative Assistant)

LEARNING SUPPORT/ ENSEIGNANTS D'APPUI

Kim Bhathal-Paz
Christina Cavell

Anthony Greco
Kiersten Tolton

MUSIC/MUSIQUE

Emily Gayleard
Sonja Wiens

BAND/HARMONIE

Elliz Alvarez

PHYSICAL EDUCATION/ ÉDUCATION PHYSIQUE

Jason Desgagnes
Megan Krahn

LIBRARIAN/BIBLIOTHÉCAIRE

Jo-Anne Thompson

TEACHERS/ENSEIGNANTS

Jeanette Mantolino (Maternelle)
Lexi Valcourt (Kindergarten)
Karine Cole (1/2 FI)
Keara Feely (1/2 FI)
Tessa Wiwchar (1/2 FI)
Gabrielle Laliberte (3/4 FI)
Kouadio Lingue (3/4 FI)
Hanene Naji (3/4 FI)
Kassandra Sampson (3/4 ENG)
Justine Edwards (5/6 FI)
Kader Ouattara (5/6 FI)
Navreet Wander (5/6 ENG)

Michelle Koerner (1/2 ENG)
Amy Webb (1/2 ENG)
Rupinder Mann (1/2 ENG)
Daniella Greco (3/4 ENG)
Lyn Hart (3/4 ENG)
Nikayla Pellerin (3/4 ENG)
Dana Crawford (5/6 ENG)
Alyssa Denysuik (5/6 ENG)
Elfren Raquin (5/6 ENG)

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS/ AUXILIAIRES

Sardeep Chahal
Nancy Deogracias
Mary Mae Llacar
Jaime Leader
Nancy Vangerwen
Ashley Benevides-Everton
Yana Ivashkevych
Alexis Cruly

Pete San Pedro
Wendell Hildebrand
Jaclyn Celones
Thorunn Vatnsdal
Lula Hanis
Rajinderbir Kaur
Jaspreet Kaur
Jinia Messon

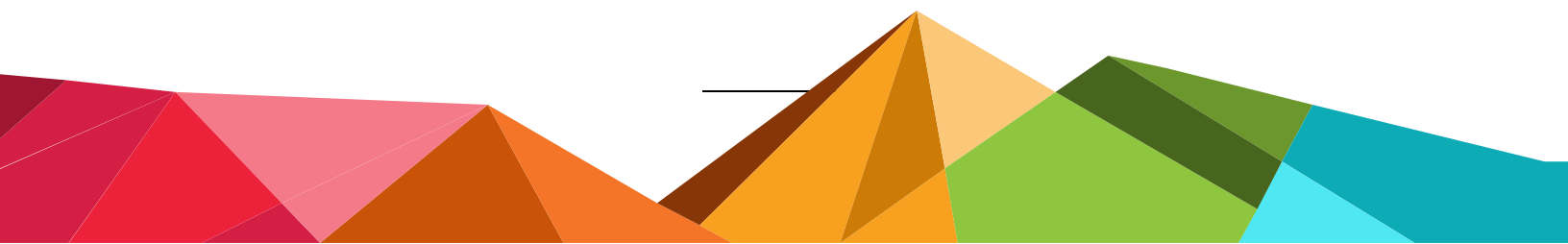
CUSTODIANS/CONCIERGES

Freddie Dela Cruz
Chantal Labonte

Tim Popowich
Ha Vu Nguyen

SUPPORT SERVICES

Deborah Alby – School Psychologist
Amy Cockrell – Occupational Therapist
Chantal Lancaster – Community Outreach Liaison
Jenny Magura – Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP)
Andrea McDonald – Student Services Director
Jennifer Van Winkle – Community Coordinator



ÉCOLE MINO PIMATISIWIN SCHOOL

IMPORTANT DATES 2026/2027

SEPTEMBER	8 – 9 ORIENTATION DAYS 30 NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION – NO SCHOOL
OCTOBER	12 THANKSGIVING – NO SCHOOL 22 PD DAY – NO SCHOOL 23 MTS PD DAY – NO SCHOOL 26 PICTURE DAY
NOVEMBER	2 SCHOOL-BASED PD DAY – NO SCHOOL 3 DIVISIONAL DAY – NO SCHOOL 5 IMMUNIZATION CLINIC (GRADE 6) 11 REMEMBRANCE DAY – NO SCHOOL 26 PICTURE RETAKES DAY 26 – 27 LEARNING CONFERENCES (THURS. 3:30 – 8:00 P.M./FRI. 8:30 – 2:00 P.M.) – NO SCHOOL FRIDAY
DECEMBER	21 WINTER BREAK BEGINS
JANUARY	4 SCHOOL REOPENS 22 PD DAY – NO SCHOOL
FEBRUARY	5 PD DAY – NO SCHOOL 15 LOUIS RIEL DAY – NO SCHOOL
MARCH	18 – 19 LEARNING CONFERENCES (THURS. 3:30 – 8:00 P.M./FRI. 8:30 – 2:00 P.M.) – NO SCHOOL FRIDAY 26 GOOD FRIDAY – NO SCHOOL 29 SPRING BREAK BEGINS
APRIL	5 SCHOOL REOPENS 16 PD DAY – NO SCHOOL
MAY	24 VICTORIA DAY – NO SCHOOL
JUNE	3 DIVISIONAL GRAD POW WOW 4 PD DAY – NO SCHOOL 30 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

