

Welcome St. Catherine's School Pre-Primary Families!

Dear Parents/guardians

We are so excited to welcome you to our pre-primary community. The ECEs are: Lead Melanie Verboom and Support Joan Taylor. It has been an interesting few months and we are very glad to be back in the St. Catherine's community. Thank you all so much for your patience as we adapt and collect information to pass along.

Drop off: Drop off will happen at the logs by the side of the school near the St. Catherine's sign. Drop off will happen at 8:50. Please stay with your child and social distance yourself from other families. There will be pilons as a guide. Because parents/guardians cannot come into the building we ask that you hold your child's hand and we will walk to the door then the ECE's will take the children into the building.

Please send your child with lunch, a water bottle a change of clothing, indoor shoes, sunhat and a sweater or jacket depending on the weather. Please apply sunblock to your child before school. We ask that you do not send toys in with your children.

For more information you can check out the Pre-Primary guidebook:

<https://novascotia.ca/coronavirus/docs/Pre-Primary-COVID-Guidebook-en.pdf>

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at: mverboom@hrce.ca

Melanie Verboom

Dear Children,

We are very excited to meet you! This is kind of how your day will go at school.

We will start our day outside with drop off. Drop off will happen at the logs by the side of the school close to the vegetable gardens and the St. Catherine's School sign. Ms. Melanie And Ms. Joan will meet you and your and parents/guardians at the logs. Please stay with your parent or guardian until we go into the school. We will give each of you a name tag to help us learn your names quickly.

You will line up with your parents/guardians and there will be pilons to show you where to stand. We will go in the door at 8:50. Your parents/guardians will hold

your hand until we get to the door then Ms. Joan and Ms. Melanie will help you into the school.



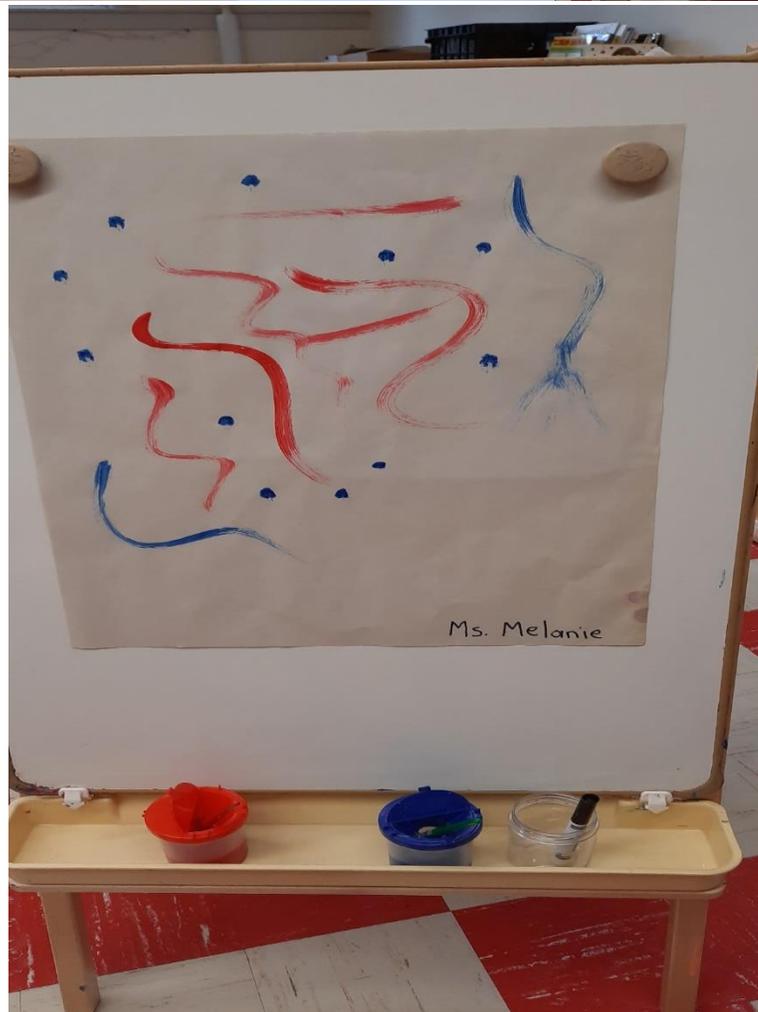
We will go down the stairs and hang our coats on hooks. Before we go into the classroom we will wash our hands.



When we go into the classroom we will change into our indoor shoes. Everyone will get a cubby with their name on it. You can put your change of clothes, water bottle and lunch in your cubby.



We have lots of things to do in the classroom. We have Lego, blocks, books, kitchen area, paint, markers, paper, musical instruments and so much more! You can choose the things you like to do.

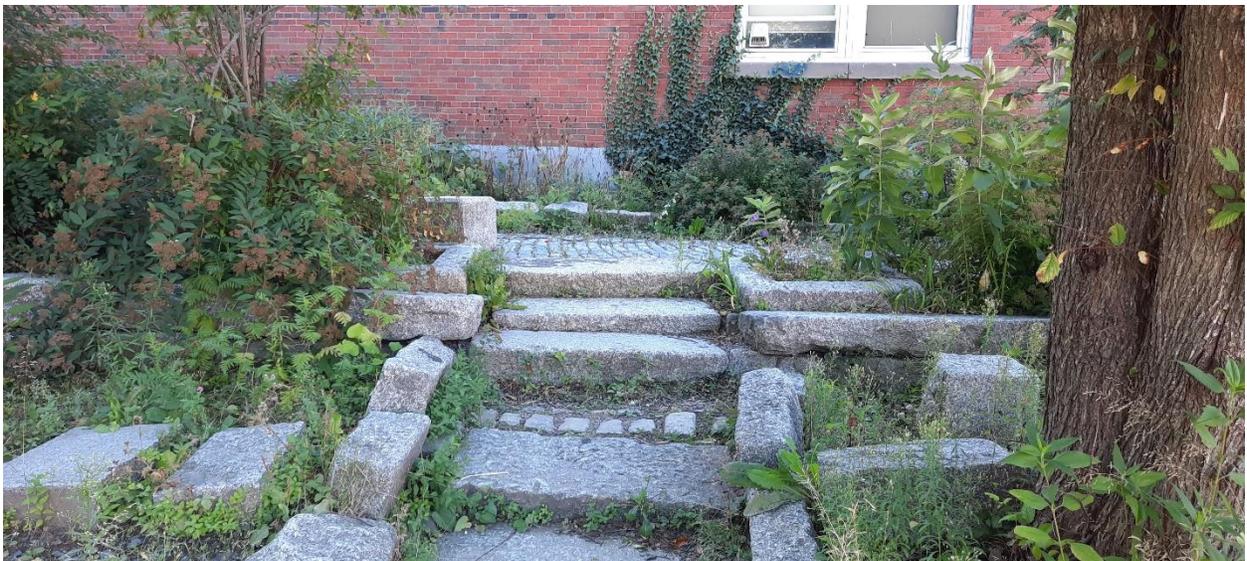




There are lots of fun places to play outside and we will bring toys like buckets, shovels, cars, chalk etc. If the weather is nice we might have our snack outside. We will clean our hands and sit for snack. Ms. Joan and Ms. Melanie will pass out snack. It is important that we do not share food with each other.



There are beautiful places to play outside. There is even a butterfly garden.



Every day We will have a meeting time. This is a time where we talk about what we are doing, sing, dance and tell stories. It is one of my favorite parts of the day. Sometimes we will do meeting time inside and sometimes we will do it outside.

At lunch we will wash our hands and eat the lunch we brought. It is important that we do not share our lunch.

After lunch we will go to the toilet, wash our hands and go outside.

At around 2:00 we will wash our hands and eat a snack. Ms. Melanie and Ms. Joan will pass out the snacks.

At 3:00 your parents/guardians will meet us back at the logs.

When you come to school please bring a change of clothes, a pair of indoor shoes and a water bottle. We will be doing a lot of fun messy things like using paint, jumping in puddles and playing in the MUD. Please come to school wearing clothes that you don't mind getting dirty.

We are looking forward to meeting you!

Melanie Verboom

Joan Taylor