**Basic Daily Routines in Ms. Lowe’s**

**Grade One Class**

Routines are SO important in Grade One. They help create a calm and predictable environment in which children feel secure and comfortable. This is an optimal environment for GREAT learning! We will be focusing very much on the following routines throughout the next few days. I thought I’d pass them on to you for your own information. If you have any questions at any time, please don’t hesitate to ask!

**MORNING ROUTINE**

1. If you arrive prior to the warning bell (8:14), you are to head to the playground for supervised play. Please do not wait in the hallways as this creates congestion, as well as messy hallways in the winter months. Once the bell rings, line up at your designated door (back of school, south-west corner of the courtyard) to be invited in by the teachers.
2. Once invited in, remove your outdoor shoes and place them on our shoe rack (1A) and put on your indoor shoes. Head to the classroom.
3. Once in the classroom head to the closet and hang up your backpack and coat. Take your agenda out of your backpack.
4. Bring your agenda to your desk and open it to today’s date. Bring your chair over from the carpet. If your water bottle needs to be filled, do this now.
5. If there is an activity at your desk for you, please get started. If not, head to the bookshelf, choose a story and find a spot to read quietly until the bell.
6. While the announcements are playing it is important to be listening closely so we can hear all the important information. During Oh Canada we stand up calmly and face the flag. We can sing along or listen respectfully.

**NUTRITION BREAK ROUTINE**

1. During the first 15 minutes of the break you have time to eat half of your lunch and snacks. Be sure to eat enough that you are fueled for learning, but to also leave enough food for the next break.
2. If your water bottle needs to be filled, please do this now.
3. While it is ok to chat quietly during eating time, this is a quiet time of day and your MOST important job is to eat to refuel your body for learning.
4. Please raise your hand if you need help with anything and a helper will come to you.
5. Save your garbage at your desk to be taken to the trash all at once at the end. You will get a 5 minute warning when it is time to start tidying up and getting organized to go outside.
6. When the bell rings it is time to head outside. Be sure to use the washroom BEFORE you leave the school.

**END OF DAY**

1. Head to the mailboxes and bring all of your mail to your desk.
2. Head back to the closet and get your backpack and coat.
3. At your desk, load your backpack and zip it up.
4. Stack your chair on the carpet.
5. Line up calmly and wait to be dismissed into the hallway.
6. Remember to stop at the boot rack and switch into your outdoor shoes! 😊