



GENERAL INFORMATION - JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEW STUDENTS-ORIENTATION DAY and FIRST DAY ([LINK](#))

Tuesday, September 4

9:00 a.m. Orientation Day and BBQ. Casual dress (no school uniform).

Wednesday, September 5

Students are to come directly to the entrance of the Junior School where they will be shown their Form Room. School begins at 8:10 a.m. and finishes at 3:25 p.m.

SEPTEMBER CAMPS/PROGRAMS

During the first week of school, students will participate in a school-wide scavenger hunt as a means of learning about the Ashbury campus.

In week two, we introduce camps to all students. On Thursday, September 13, Grade 6s will go to [Camp Otterdale](#) for two days of team-building adventures. Grades 4 and 5 will join the Grade 6s at [Camp Otterdale](#) on Friday, September 14. From Wednesday, September 12, to Friday, September 14, Grade 7 students will spend three days at [Bonnenfant Y Outdoor Education and Leadership Centre](#) participating in team-building and orientation activities while the Grade 8s will travel to [Christie Lake Camp](#) on Wednesday, September 12 (day trip only). Grade 8s will remain at school and begin a leadership program on Thursday, September 13 and volunteer their help at various Boys and Girls Clubs and Youth Service Bureau shelters on Friday, September 14.

NEW PARENT INFO EVENING

Parents new to Ashbury from Grades 4 to 12 are invited to attend this event on Wednesday, August 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Theatre. General information will be presented and administrative staff will be on hand to answer last-minute inquiries or questions.

UNIFORM-FIRST WEEK

Students are asked to wear number one dress all week. Photo Day is Wednesday, September 5.

JUNIOR SCHOOL CURRICULUM NIGHT

Curriculum Night will be held for all parents on Thursday, September 20 from **6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** A general information session will take place in the Theatre after which parents will move to the classrooms where the Home Form teachers will explain general routines. Subject teachers will outline their courses and expectations and parents will have the opportunity to ask questions. A representative from each family is asked to attend.

HOLIDAYS

Please note the school holidays on the website calendar. We ask that holiday plans do not conflict with the school calendar. It is important that students attend all classes, especially during the examination period in June. Special school events are still considered school days and all students are to be in attendance. Teachers are not expected to provide work in advance if your child must be absent for a holiday.

DRIVING STUDENTS AND DROPPING OFF

A great concern is the traffic at the start and finish of the school day. By stopping and/or waiting on Mariposa adjacent to school property, safe crossing by pedestrians across Mariposa to the school is compromised. We must also consider neighbourhood children who cross from Ashbury on their way to local schools. It is imperative that the area by the front stone walled gate be kept clear of cars at all times. Please note: there is no parking in the front loop of the school. If you need to stop, please park in the guest parking or in the parking lot adjacent to the tennis courts on Springfield.

BOOKS, STATIONERY, SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Textbooks are ordered [ONLINE](#) (**course codes are not needed for the Junior School**) from the Canadian School Book Exchange (CSBE). Orders are shipped in mid to late August to allow for used book substitutions. Orders may be changed or canceled online prior to August. Details can be found on the web page or by contacting [Erika Andstein](#). The French books will not appear on these lists until the levels are finalized in September. Students will be instructed which books to order at that time.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Most school supplies can be purchased at the school and charged to the student's account. Here is also a list of academic supplies that would be useful for your child to bring to class the first day.

Grade 4, 5 and 6 - erasers, pencils (labeled), highlighters, coloured pencils, scissors, headphones, ballpoint pens (black or blue ink) (Grades 5 and 6), 30 cm rulers. **Notebooks and binders for students in Grades 4, 5, 6 will be purchased by teachers and charged to each parent's account.**

Grade 7 and 8 - Five 1-inch binders (do not purchase bulky binders as they do not fit into lockers), binder dividers, headphones, Hilroy journal, pencils, pens, highlighters, erasers, coloured pencils, blank, lined and graph paper, a ruler, and a protractor. Grade 8 students will need a scientific calculator.

STUDENT AGENDA and STUDENT HANDBOOK

Student agendas will be distributed during the first week of classes. The agenda will contain the school calendar, schedules, rules and regulations. The [Junior School Student Handbook](#) is available on the parent portal.

LOCKS

All sport and book lockers must have locks. The school will provide locks, which will be billed to your child's account. These are special locks so access can be gained in case of student absence. Ashbury locks from previous years may be reused.

Should you have any questions, Ms. Stephanie Garland, Administrative Assistant, Junior School will be available 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 749-9630 extension 221 or by email at stephanie.garland@ashbury.ca.