



## *South Oaks Elementary School*

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*2016-2017*

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Dear Parents,

**Please send the following school supplies with your child to our MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT event on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>, from 4:30 – 6:30p.m. before the first day of school.**

- 4 - two-pocket folders (one for music with name on front cover in the top right corner)
- 5 - duo tangs
- 1 - yellow highlighter
- 1 - 30 cm **metal** ruler
- 1 - pencil sharpener
- 1 - 24 pack pencil crayons (Staedtler, Laurentian **or** Crayola), sharpened
- 1 - 24 pack of crayons – Crayola
- 4 - **large UHU** glue sticks (21ml)
- 1- **large** bottle of white glue
- 4 - **soft white** erasers
- 3 - **large** boxes of Kleenex
- 2 – dry erase markers (for use on whiteboard)
- 1 - pencil case
- 1 - school bag
- 1 - pair of gym shoes - **Please see page 2 : When buying new runners, please check with the shoe store clerks to ensure that the gym shoes will not make black marks on the floors, as these are very difficult to remove.**

Note: No pencils or scissors required ☺

Please label all supplies with your child's name. Also, please buy only the mentioned brand names as the quality difference to most brands is substantial.

The first day of school for the 2016-2017 school year is **Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**. We're looking forward to seeing you then!

Have a great summer!

**Mrs. Heidi Buhler (3HB)**

All K-Grade 4 Supply Letters are also posted on our school website at:  
<http://southoaks.hsd.ca>

## Required Gym Shoes at South Oaks

Proper Running Shoes are a very important part of being prepared to participate in gym class. There are thousands of different styles and brands to choose from based on the type of shoe you are looking for and what price you want to pay.

Here are some guidelines to help make good choices for your child's safety and enjoyment in gym class.

### Do's and Don'ts

- 1) **Buy shoes that fit.** If you want to buy big for next year make sure it is only a ½-1 size difference. Even 1 size too big can hinder performance.
- 2) **Buy Athletic shoes:** Especially for older kids. Shoes that are “casual” or designed for skateboarding hinder performance due to the non-flexibility of the sole.
- 3) **Buy Velcro shoes** for young kids who are not tying laces properly (Gr. K-2). Velcro shoes are effective at staying tight and won't take long to do up. Some children spend most of the warm up game tying their shoes.
- 4) **Don't buy zippered, skateboard or slip on shoes.** As soon as a child runs, slip on shoes come down or slip off due to flexion of the foot. This has caused many unsafe situations where a shoe comes off while running and socks are very slippery. These shoes often do not fit so a kick will send them flying toward other students.

Please use this guide when buying gym shoes for next year and this will help keep your son/daughter safe in gym.

Thanks,

Physical Education Instructor