

Message from Superintendent Dianne Hawkins

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the parents of the students in the English programming at Elder's Mills P.S. for their participation in the recent survey about transitioning the students to Lorna Jackson P.S. The results of the survey are as follows:

Number of potential survey participants Gr. K-7	138 students
Number of actual responses received	120 students (87% responded)
Percent of responses in favour of full transition in September 2013	59%
Percent of responses in favour of "grandfathering" grades 4-7 students at Elder's Mills P.S.	41%

Given these results, all students in English programming at Elder's Mills P.S. will transition to Lorna Jackson P.S. as of September 2013.

Principals Micheline Joseph and Greg Collins, from Elder's Mills P.S and Lorna Jackson P.S. respectively, will be meeting in the New Year with Elder's Mills students affected by this transition. In addition, a community meeting for parents is being planned to answer any questions from our parent community regarding the transition. The date for this meeting is still to be determined. We will let you know the date in the New Year.

Once again, thank you for your participation and be assured that we will make the transition to Lorna Jackson P.S. as smooth as possible for all those affected next school year. As for the remainder of this school year, your children will continue to receive the excellent education and nurturing environment they have enjoyed in the past at Elder's Mills. Thank you for your continued support of the school and staff of Elder's Mills P.S.

We wish you and your families a wonderful holiday season.

Yours truly,

Dianne Hawkins

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