

Givins/Shaw
Junior Public School
Toronto District School Board



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August 14, 2019

Re: Construction project update and staff changes at Givins/Shaw

Dear Givins/Shaw Community:

We hope that you are all continuing to enjoy your summer.

If you have been near the school recently, than you know that the construction projects that began as soon as the students dismissed for the summer are ongoing. The work crews continue to complete the water-proofing of the foundation wall for the library, the repairs to the external cement beams, and the internal work on the library space itself. I have been in contact with the construction co-ordinator as well as the TDSB facility team leader and they do think that the external work will be complete for the beginning of the school year however the library may not be ready for students until early October. I will keep you updated of any new information prior to the Labour Day weekend. Our caretaking crew has been working tirelessly to prepare the classrooms and I am confident that we will have another successful start at Givins/Shaw.

Over the summer, not only have there been changes to the physical building, but we also have new members to our staff for the 2019/20 school year. Over the past three years, many of you would have met Ms. Kim Parrish who served our school in the role of a Special Needs Assistant (SNA) and did an absolutely remarkable job. Ms. Parrish had arranged to take a leave for this year and will not be returning to Givins/Shaw this year although we are hopeful she may return for the following year. Due to this vacancy, Ms. Dacia Lanning will be joining the Givins/Shaw staff as an SNA and will be at the school in the afternoon. Also, as was announced on the final Friday in June, Ms. Mary Jane Miller, who was to be teaching the Grade 5 / 6 class in Room 4, decided to retire. Ms. Miller enjoyed a remarkable career and we wish her all the best in her retirement. Mr. Max Evans will be joining the Givins/Shaw staff and will be teaching the students in Room 4. Mr. Evans has taught elementary school for 20 years and looks forward to being an active part of our Givins/Shaw team. We welcome both Ms. Lanning and Mr. Evans and I am sure that they will very quickly feel home at Givins/Shaw.

Keep enjoying this beautiful summer weather and we look forward to seeing you on September 3, 2019.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Taylor".

Dan Taylor

Principal