



Dear Parents / Guardians,

The Grade 4's at MES will be trying a new system for school supplies for the 2017-2018 school year. Students will be asked to pay a flat rate supply fee instead of purchasing individual supplies from a list. The feedback from other schools in our division that do this is positive, and we are excited to offer this opportunity next year!

What are the benefits?

- We are able to group order supplies at a heavily discounted rate.
- There will be an increased consistency in the quality of supplies in each classroom.
- We're able to cut our required supplies in an effort to reduce our school's carbon footprint.
- Supplies stay in the classroom meaning there will be no replacing lost items / replenishing pencil cases.

There are a few additional items not included in the fee that we ask students to come with in September. These items include:

- Phys. Ed. – 1 pair of indoor runners (non-marking), gym clothes, deodorant (no sprays)
- Music – 1 Yamaha or Aulos Recorder only needed in January (This can also be purchased through Mr. Bergen in January for \$6.)
- 1 Backpack
- 1 Set of personal headphones – not ear buds
- 2 Boxes of Kleenex

Below is a breakdown of the entire Student Fee for next year. As usual, these fees will be collected in September, when the new school year begins.

School Fee Breakdown	
School Supplies	\$40
Agenda/Field Trip Fee	\$20
Total.....	\$60

Thanks for your support,

Your Grade 4 Team