



Luc Duclos

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From Karen

Thank you for your patience with the students.

From Sandra Turbide

Bonjour Luc,

Merci pour ta passion pour la langue française et ton professionnalisme, tes étudiants ont été chanceux de t'avoir comme enseignant. Je te souhaite beaucoup de bonheur dans cette nouvelle étape de ta vie.

Sandra Turbide

From Deanna Proctor

Wishing you much joy & happiness as you begin a new chapter in your life. Congratulations! You will be missed!

From Heather Rhodes

Thank you for all you have done over the years. It was great getting to know you the last 2 years and wish you happy retirement. Enjoy some time for you and the family.

From Lyanna Sweetnam

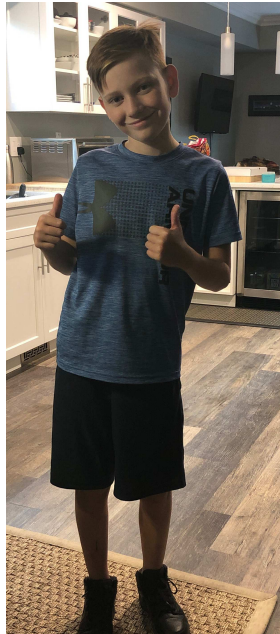
Salut Luc!

Félicitations pour votre retraite! Vous êtes bien aimé par vos élèves, ils ont toujours de bonnes choses à dire. Merci pour les rires et les sourires.

Bonne santé et meilleurs voeux!

Lyanna

From Lochlan waters (grade 5, 2019-2020)



*Thank you for your support in the early days of Covid, and for being such a committed teacher for Lochlan. He really enjoyed having you as a teacher. We hope you enjoy your retirement, you'll be missed at PME.
Jodi, Jay, and Lochlan Waters*

From Cynthia Flett

I have enjoyed working with you over the years. You always lent an ear to listen or had an entertaining story to share. I wish you all the best and an enjoyable and relaxing retirement.



Congratulations on a well deserved retirement . Your dream came true because of your determination ,hard work , perseverance dedication and sacrifice. Your life story has to be one of the most successful personal stories in modern Canadian history . Enjoy your retirement. I love you like a son . Leonard Bechard



Even though Evelyn isn't here to congratulate you on this special occasion you can be assured she would be both proud and happy for you. I'm pretty sure she is taking a bit of credit for all those private English lessons that took place during seeding and harvest around the dinner table and any other spare minutes that popped up during the day. You always held a special place in her heart.

From Natalie Nielsen

Félicitations pour ta retraite! Profite bien de ce temps en famille et avec tes amis. Meilleurs voeux pour ce nouveau chapitre de la vie.
Natalie Nielsen

From Ruth Belson

Salut Luc!

Félicitations de prendre des pas vers une nouvelle vie! Je manquerais ta présence, la douce façon dont tu parles et les drôles d'histoires que tu nous as partagé. Et enfin, avec qui je vais partager ma rhubarbe? Peut-être que pendant que tu te promènes, tu pourrais toujours passer pour en prendre!

Mes meilleurs voeux pour ton bien-être!

Ruth

From Phil

Salut! Luc bonne retraite mon vieux routier. Repose Philippe et Sue

From Lianna Henderson



Thank you for the wealth of language learning that you have provided at PME! I found a picture a field trip that I volunteered for, and some of the hands-on learning that you facilitated! Thank you for your dedication! Enjoy your well-deserved retirement!



Bonjour mr.Duclos, je suis Isabella (j'étais dans ta classe en 4e année) et je suis très triste que je ne te peut voir plus parce que tu es mon prof favori mais j'espère que tu es très bien et sain. Merci pour tout!

From Stacey Gloude

Hey Luc!!

Congratulations on your retirement!! I'm so happy for you! I have moved over to Westview now so I definitely won't be seeing you :(I have enjoyed working with you! So many laughs and I felt comfortable enough to be myself around you and I appreciated that, so thank you for all the help and kindness you have shown me throughout the years. May your retirement be everything you were hoping! Take good care of yourself and hopefully we will see you around Pitt/Ridge!

Cheers,

Stacey <3

From Raeesa Jenna Norton



Cher Monsieur Duclos,
Félicitations pour votre retraite! J'ai adoré t'avoir comme professeur. Je
suis triste de te voir partir. Meilleurs voeux!
De,
Raeesa



Félicitations M. Duclos! Nous nous sentons spéciaux d'avoir été votre dernière classe. Nous avons beaucoup de bons souvenirs avec vous. Vous êtes drôle et vous nous avez fait rire. Vous avez raconté des histoires drôles. Nous aimions aller dehors pour jouer à des jeux amusants. Vous connaissez tous les meilleurs jeux. Nous avons aimé faire de l'art et des mathématiques avec vous. Merci d'avoir été notre professeur!

-Division 16

Andrea, Katherine, Violette, Nico, Bowen, Maggie, Arianna, Emma, Carson, Georgia,
Andrew, Rowan, Kaydence, Casey, Falyn, Luka, Tai, Raesa, Aya, et Cameron.

Merci beaucoup M. Duclos!

From The Blais Family

We'd like to wish you all the BEST with your retirement, M. Duclos!
Thank you for being a great teacher for both our boys - Davyn and
Terence!! You'll be missed.

The Blais Family

Wow Luc, finalement! J'espère que tes rêves vont se réaliser pendant ta retraite. Je souhaite que toi et Monique allez passer plusieurs belles années à voyager et à vous amuser. Je vois la vie comme un jeu d'hockey, tu es maintenant dans la dernière période et je te souhaite une ou deux périodes supplémentaires! Diane Simard

Dear Luc,

I have had the chance to know you as a supportive, loving dad and husband and a dedicated teacher. I have always felt that you have cared about your students and have done your best to teach them. I was impressed how much french your students spoke in your class and how much they learned.

I have fond memories of seeing you walking home rain or shine.

Merci beaucoup pour tes contributions.

Meilleurs voeux,

Shelley

From Jenn Beveridge

All the best in your retirement. It was a pleasure working with you
sorry it was for such a short time.

From Evan Locke

Congratulations on your retirement Luc! It was so nice to get to meet you and I wish you all the best!

From Michelle O'Neill

Luc,

I hope that you enjoy your retirement. Take the time to relax, try out some new hobbies, read some good books, travel (when it's safe again to do so) and have fun. I will miss seeing you in the halls at PME.

From Jill McRobbie

Luc, I will miss seeing you at PME! I wish you a great retirement and continued recovery and good health. I have heard you are going to do some home renovations and I hope everything goes well with that. All the best to you and your family!!

Best wishes!!

Jill McRobbie

Congratulations on your retirement Luc! Best wishes :) Tammy

From Shona Wood

Hope you have lots of fun and relaxation for many years to come!
Take care

From Polly Whitelock

All the best Luc! I wish you many happy and healthy years. Enjoy your retirement to the fullest with your family.

Take care :)

From Rachael

Dear Luc,

Your sense of calm and quiet confidence, not to mention your dry humour, were a great support to me during my first few months at PME. As a parent, I can easily say that you had a significant impact on Neve and Luke. Thank you for your patience and dedication. Good luck with all your future adventures!

Rachael xxx

From Jeff Drabik

Félicitations, Luc! Que ta retraite soit riche, épanouie et puisse te permettre de réaliser tes passions. Tu mérites une belle retraite à la suite d'une carrière bien réussie!

From Nicole Fitzmaurice

It's been a weird year, sorry we didn't get a chance to see you...Enjoy your retirement Luc!

From Courtenay Wear

Bonjour Luc!

Wishing you all the best on your next adventure! I enjoyed being "portable buddies" with you my first year at PME. I will miss seeing you in the lunch room! I wish you relaxation and lot's of walks! À la prochaine...

Courtenay

Luc

You have always been such a welcoming and humorous member of PME. You have made new and established staff feel seen and heard.

You will be greatly missed. I wish you all the best in your retirement and next adventure!

Aimee Lemmen

From Krista Fitzmaurice

Wishing you all the best in your retirement Luc, it is well deserved.
Relax and enjoy! Hope to see you out walking around town!

Hi Luke,

Hope all is well. It was a pleasure working with you. If you remember, one of the first times we meet in the staff room we spoke about your retirement. Well here it is! I wish you all the best and hope you find some cool hobbies or activities to keep busy and enjoy your retirement!

Jim Shaw

From Nadine Taylor Pickering

Enjoy your retirement Mr. Duclos! Thanks for the positive class experience for all 3 of my kids - Sky, Jazz and River. Take care,
Nadine

From Haleigh Scharf

Enjoy your retirement Monsieur Duclos!
from Haleigh Scharf

From Heather Larden

I hope that you enjoy your retirement Luc. You have earned it. PME will miss you!

You deserve a better send-off than this pandemic will allow. It feels weird to write this knowing that we cannot meet eye to eye over a nice Cora's breakfast or PAC teacher appreciation lunch at the end of the year, sitting shoulder to shoulder as a whole group. The notion that I will be walking into PME this September not hearing your greeting or salutation ("have a good day") is strange.

It has been great working with you and learning from you. You made me feel quite welcome when I first arrived here nine years ago. You were always so friendly, to the point that you even helped me move when I was so broke that I couldn't afford to hire the professionals. I was talking about moving one lunch and you just volunteered your services right there. My daughter still asks about that "big man from dad's school who helped us move." I am indebted to you and my truck and back are available to you if you need something moved.

It dawns on me how much has changed these nine years. Early on when I met you, I remember bumping into you at the ice rink as you watched your youngest play in his final year of juvenile hockey, thinking how big they were. You explained to me why you watch your son play from the glass and not the stands. By the time my son was in his last year of hockey, I learned to do that too, thereby avoiding any more stupid verbal battles with less enlightened parents. We've both observed how kids have changed. How they interact and play sports is different from kids in the past. We often spoke about children's ability

(or inability) to throw well. I'm trying my best to get them to throw properly. We did cricket and baseball in May and June this year, even with the Ks. They're getting better and I'll keep trying.

You are a true kid at heart. When you brought your class into the gym, you had a good time playing with them or just watching them. During the afternoon Intermediate Halloween Dance you were caught a few times blending into the crowd, joining a conga line or just grooving to the music. I can't forget how excited you were during the World Series, especially when Houston won it all. I'm sure you're totally stoked about the Habs as I write.

I will also miss catching up with you on our separate journeys home. I was always in awe of the fact that you walked home almost every single day. You walked home even more often than I rode to work. I was delighted and often relieved when it turned out that the fast moving and hoodied stranger crossing the railway pedestrian overpass turned out to be you incognito. You sure did blend into the crowd with your son's hand-me-down hoddies and I was often surprised it was you. I too have now taken to wearing my son's hand-me-down hoodies.

The present is strange. I want you to know that if you want to connect in the after-school hours or in the summer to grab a coffee or wine (or beer for me and wine for you) when you feel confident to venture back out there, I would very much like to join you. You have told me some of your hockey and teaching stories, but I know I haven't heard them all and would love to hear more.

All the best in retirement. Enjoy being a grandfather and take good care of yourself.

J

From Emily Kristjanson (Katie)



Wow, 35 years! Amazing! Thank you for being such a wonderful teacher for Emily in grade 4. That was a challenging year and I greatly appreciated all your extra time and support you offered to help her. You will be missed at PME. Best wishes to you on a well deserved retirement!

- Katie & Emily Kristjanson

We are so grateful that Bowen got to spend a few months in your classroom. He had a challenging grade 2 year and he really responded well to your teaching style. He thrived in your classroom! I've heard so many parents echo these sentiments - you have made such a huge difference in so many families lives. We hope you enjoy your well-earned retirement, knowing that thousands of children (and of course many are now adults!) are better off because you taught them.



Sur l'air de "Gens du Pays" de Gilles Vigneau

Mon très cher Luc,
C'est à ton tour
De te laisser parler d'amour

Tu as été
Un professeur
Qui enseignait si bien l'français
Un professeur
Si dévoué
Et maintenant tu peux jouer

Le jour est là
Mon très cher Luc
C'est ta retraite et c'est la fête
On va t'manquer
Mais comme on dit
On t'aime ben gros à PME

Mon très cher Luc
C'est à ton tour
De te laisser parler d'retraite

From Leanne Bechard

Luc,

35 years! You outlasted me by 4. Well done!

Teaching is one of the most notable and vital of professions and this past year made that ever so clear. To dedicate 35 years to our youth is admirable and not an easy feat as it always comes with many ups and downs. Again, part of the job but you obviously embraced both. A new chapter lies ahead and I can guarantee you it is very very good. Sharing it with grand babies doesn't hurt.

Congratulations and...ENJOY!!

Love,
Leanne

From D. Tremblay

À mon ancien collègue et partenaire de concert,

Après une carrière bien remplie, je te souhaite bonheur et sérénité
ainsi que plusieurs autres petits-enfants.

Félicitations Luc et bonne retraite.

Cher Luc,

Que tu vas me manquer comme partenaire avec mes jeunes élèves.
Ca fait des années que nous jumelons nos grands amis et mes petits amis en lisant et en jouant au frisbee dehors, et en chantant des chansons de Noël ensemble.

Je suis tellement heureuse que tu prennes ta retraite. Prends-soin de toi et je te souhaite de beaux souvenirs avec ta famille durant cette période d'être retraite.

Ta collègue à PME,
Sylvia

From Sagard Family





Meghan and Ethan 2017

From Sagard Family



From Sagard Family







Meghan and Ethan 2018

From Joe Simunac



Hey Luc,

Enjoy the retirement and I will miss our chats on baseball. Hope that Montreal gets a team back soon. More Canadian teams in the MLB!!! Take care and I hope all the best for you and your family. I also hope to see you come by to say hi! Maybe we can catch up then.

Again take care and all the best!

Joe

From Christine

Luc,

Thank you for all of the great memories here at PME. I will definitely miss you! I hope that you have a wonderful retirement.

From Luke Toupin



Merci pour etre un bonne prof, Félicitation! - Luke Toupin

From Kai Toupin



bonjour mr. Duclos! est-ce que tu est bien. Je t'ai manqué cette année et je vais te manquéé quand tu ne seras pas ici l'année prochain.

ps. Tu est légendaire.
Kai Toupin

Tu vas nous manquer, Luc! I will miss seeing you in the lunch room with your super healthy soup while I ate mine straight from a can! You were my lunch time role model. Happy retirement and enjoy endless days of long, slow soup sipping.

From Carolyn Hey

Hope you have a wonderful, relaxing, and adventurous retirement.
We'll miss you at PME.

From Maria Garavito

Dear Luc

You have made such a difference with your enthusiasm and politeness every single day. I sincerely hope that retirement is wonderful and I wish you lots of joyous time with your family.

Good luck!!

María Garavito

From Karen Bateson

Bonjour Luc. You will be missed at PME! I will miss hearing your stories! I wish you well in the next stage of your life.

