

BROOKLYN ELEMENTARY

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Hello families,

We hope you enjoyed a fun-filled summer and we look forward to seeing you (gr 1-7) back on

The first week:

- Tues., Sept 3 from 8:43 – 11:45.
- **New kindergarten students**, please follow the phase-in schedule emailed to you in July – if not received, contact candace.pisto@sd71.bc.ca
- Please note that **school start time** is now **8:43** each day

Day 1 – back to last year’s Classroom / teacher – new students should report to the office to be assigned to a classroom for the morning. no supplies required – recess snack / water bottle only

Ney – room 216 with Mrs. Seymour & Mrs. DeLuca

Beck – room 208 with Mr. Beck & Ms. Radawiec

Day 2 – students will be informed where to go for multi-age groups in their class on Day 1. Lists will be available in the hall downstairs in case students forget. Multi-age groups are **not** permanent classes – please leave supplies at home - only full lunch / water bottle required for Wed & Thurs.

Day 3 – repeat of Day 2 – stay with same multi-age group / teacher until the end of Day 3. New class assignments will be emailed out at the end of the day.

Day 4 – report to new class as emailed out or check with office for assignment. Bring supplies (pre-orders will be delivered to new class) and full lunch.

Safety:

- Travel to / From Brooklyn - heads up to anyone not current with Brooklyn right now – NOEL is still not driveable (Pritchard – Torrance, past Gaglardi), and GUTHRIE between Anderton & Pritchard is not driveable. LAZO RD between Colby & Brent will shut / slow down in September, too, for culvert repair. Lots of road projects to plan around.
- Please be very mindful of your vehicle speed traveling to/from school – busy roads, busy parking lot.
- Please remember that the side lot is a staff parking lot and was not designed as a drop off / pick up zone due to the many blind corners and tight parking spaces. Use sidewalks and avoid cutting through the lot as pedestrians, too
- We encourage active travel to/from school – new bike racks installed over summer at front of building. Use a lock.
- Wacky Wheelie Wednesdays will continue this year starting Sept 18 – helmet required. Front parking lot will be closed to vehicles at recess and lunch so students can ride / use their wheels safely and with supervision. (bikes, skateboards, scooters, rollerblades ...)

General notes:

- We are FULL, more students than June! Classes are full, FYI.
- Staffing updates – refer to webpage “classes & staff” for our staff list including new staff to Brooklyn for this year. No more requests can be taken.
- New look to webpage, same material – if you are looking for any info that is not posted, please ask in our office
- If you ordered school supplies from the Teacher’s File, they will be delivered to new classrooms on Friday, Sept. 6
- Immunization records will not be collected by schools. If you received a copy from public health, it is yours and the school does not require it. Public health will continue to be in touch with anyone who is behind or missing immunizations.
- Environmental awareness has led us to a new plan for lunches in September. Reusable containers are recommended, and unconsumed food including large quantities of compost (apple with one bite out) will be sent home for your inspection / conversation with your child. Recycling of food items (plastic fruit cups / yogurt / pudding) is not well done / washed at school, contaminating the bulk of our blue bins, so those will also be sent home for conversation. Please work hard to move toward reusable containers which will hopefully go home each night. We will work with our students to talk about their personal responsibility for caring for their items.

See you all Tues., Sept 3 at 8:43 ☺