

Dear Parkland Kindergarten Families,

I just wanted to pass along a bit of information about the plans for the first weeks back at school in September for our new Kindergarten Students. I am very much looking forward to getting the school-year started and to getting know your child!

School opening for Kindergarten students in September:

Tuesday, September 2

9:00 – 9:45 New Kindergarten Students will meet with some of our teachers to do an attendance check and have a brief introduction to Parkland School. Parents are welcome to stay with their child during this meeting, or to join other parents for coffee in the gym. This meeting will take place in The Library

September 3 - 9

Welcoming Conversations

Wednesday, September 3 to Tuesday, September 9 has been set aside by the Ministry of Education so that all Kindergarten students and their families can be involved in a face to face meeting with their teacher. This is an opportunity for teachers to meet each of our new students and their parents for a conversation about Parkland and about your child's personal needs and characteristics as a learner.

To accommodate these conversations, the minimum number of days of instruction assigned by the Ministry of Education for all Kindergarten students in the Province is one week shorter than for all other elementary aged students.

On Tuesday morning when you come with your child we will have a sign-up so that each family can set a time for their 'Welcoming Conversation'. If you are unable to sign-up that morning we will be in contact with you to set up a time.

Wednesday, September 10

9:00 – 3:00 Kindergarten students begin attending full-time with their new class.

School Supplies

There is no school supply list for Kindergarten. The Kindergarten teachers will collect funds for school supplies and emergency kits at the beginning of the school year and supplies will be purchased in bulk.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me: <u>astrang@sd43.bc.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

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