

Hi Parkland Kindergarten families!

I hope you all had a wonderful summer. We want to extend a warm welcome to our newest Parkland Community members! It is exciting to see new families join our community and to welcome younger siblings of students who already attend Parkland.

In all Coquitlam schools, students in all grades always attend for a short time on the first day back at school so that we can do an attendance check. For the remainder of the day staff is involved in confirming attendance, updating registrations, and finalizing class placements. At this time we have tentatively assigned all students to teachers but prior to communicating this to parents we need to ensure that no changes are necessary. Occasionally students register on the first day or move away over the summer and we need to reorganize based on these changes.

This Week's Schedule

Monday, September 22: <u>9:00 – 9:30</u>

• Brief welcome conversation with all K students in the Library. Parents are welcome to stay with their child or head down to the gym for coffee with the Parent's Committee.

Tuesday, September 23: <u>9:30 – 11:00</u>

- Kindergarten students will meet the teachers in the Library and will be involved in activities for the morning. They have a slightly later start than the other students so they can avoid the crowded hallways in their first couple of visits.
- Students will work with a teacher in a small group to learn about the routines and expectations for the morning, snack time, and recess routines.
- Please send your child with a healthy snack.

Wednesday, September 24: <u>9:30 – 1:00</u>

- Kindergarten students will meet the teachers in the Library and their activities will add the routines and expectations for lunch-time.
- Please send your child with a healthy snack and a lunch. Please have a conversation with your child about where their snack is and where their lunch is as they often get confused and eat their lunch rather than their snack at recess ⁽²⁾
- When you pick your child up please make sure to add your name to the "Welcoming Conversation" Schedule. These conversations will take place on the mornings of Thursday, September 25th, and Friday, September 26th. If you are not picking up your child we will contact you on Wednesday afternoon to arrange a time.

Thursday, September 25 & Friday, September 26

 Please attend your scheduled welcoming conversation <u>with your child</u>. When you arrive at the school please check in at the office and Susan (the secretary) will let you know what room to go to for your meeting.

<u>eforms</u>

The school forms are now available on the School website (www.sd43.bc.ca/Parkland). Please fill these out as soon as possible. The forms ask for division and teacher name – in these fields please select "not sure" and we will add that information later.



As always, if you have any questions please be in touch!

Sincerely,

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