

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

The first day of school for the 2022/2023 school year is Tuesday, September 6.

We ask that students in **Grades 1-5** come to school from **9:00 to 9:30 am**. We ask that our incoming **Kindergarten** students go to the undercover area outside at the front of the school (where the Connecting to Kindergarten event was in the Spring) from **10:00 to 10:30**. Parents who have any questions can check in with the office. Students will not need any school supplies on Tuesday, September 6.

Students in **Grades 1-5** will line up in their line up spot from last year and will return to the classroom they were in last year. Our incoming **Kindergarten** students will go directly to the undercover area outside at the front of the school. This will give children the opportunity to connect with their peers and teachers can take attendance and answer questions about the first week. **New students will check in at the one of the outside gym doors (Student Services staff will be at the gym to greet them) and then be sent to their temporary classroom for the week. These new students will hopefully be placed with same grade peers.**

Attendance is very important during this first week as it will confirm our student registrations for school organization at James Park (and all schools) throughout our district.

Students will stay with their last year's teacher until we have our organization approved by the School Board. We hope this will happen sometime at the end of the first week or at the beginning of the second week of school.

Our first week of school will be planned collaboratively with all our teachers. We will have activities to actively engage our students and to give each child an opportunity to spend some time with their peers, all of our teachers and support staff.

Beginning Wednesday, Sept. 7 students (Grade 1-5) should bring their backpacks, snacks, lunches, jackets and pencil boxes to school each day. Kindergarten students should follow the gradual entry schedule. Students will be instructed by their teachers when to bring their other supplies to school. Please visit our website - [www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/jamespark.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/elementary/jamespark.ca) for calendar information (click "on the calendar") and supply lists.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Sept. 5</b> Labour Day	<b>Sept. 6</b> First Day of School <b>Grades 1-5</b> 9:00 – 9:30 am Students to meet in their last year's classroom.  <b>Kindergarten</b> students arrive at 10:00 am and stay until 10:30 with their parents/caregivers – all students go to the undercover area at the front of the school.	<b>Sept. 7</b> <b>Grades 1-5</b> 8:54 am– 2:53 pm *Bring back pack, pencil box, snack, lunch and jacket. Students will be involved with school-wide activities this week. ( <b>Kindergarten</b> students and parents are involved in scheduled 'Welcoming Conversations'. K students only come to school this week for their scheduled 'Welcoming Conversation')	<b>Sept. 8</b> <b>Grades 1-5</b> 8:54 am – 2:53 pm *Bring back pack, pencil box, snack, lunch and jacket. Students will be involved with school-wide activities this week. ( <b>Kindergarten</b> students and parents are involved in scheduled 'Welcoming Conversations'. K students only come to school this week for their scheduled 'Welcoming Conversation')	<b>Sept. 9</b> <b>Grades 1-5</b> 8:54 am – 2:53 pm *Bring back pack, pencil box, snack, lunch and jacket. Students will be involved with school-wide activities this week. ( <b>Kindergarten</b> students will begin their gradual entry to school with a short time at school- first full day of school for K students is on Monday, September 19th)

**ENTER AND EXIT DOORS** (All entry/exit doors being used have a NUMBER on the glass portion of the outside door): \*\*\* Please note that the names below are last year's teacher's name with the new classrooms teacher's name in the brackets. We have kept the names from last year, despite the fact that some of the teachers listed

may not be the ones greeting the students. As stated in the communication at the end of last year, some teachers have moved to other schools.

**Um (Herten this year)- Division 7 : top stairs west side of building- door # 15**  
**Dimmer-Drew/Jorgenson- Division 9 : top stairs east side of building- door # 14**  
**Herten (Smith this year)- Division 5 : bottom doors west side (by K classes) -door # 7**  
**Ewert (Wilkman this year)- Division 6 : Learning Commons door- door # 2**  
**Alcazar (Schechtel/Mackenzie this year)- Division 12 : outside classroom door #4**  
**Andrews- Division 15 : Learning Commons door- door # 3**  
**Lai- Division 4 : regular entrance front door- door # 13**  
**Tonogai- Division 13 : outside gym door- door # 12**  
**Kehler- Division 1 : outside classroom door # 11**  
**Taylor (Nielsen this year)- Division 10 : outside classroom door # 5**  
**McIntyre- Division 16 : outside classroom door # 6**  
**Weiseman- Division 11 : outside classroom door # 8**  
**Dalmann (Skucas-Escano/Rowe this year)- Division 14 :outside classroom door # 9**  
**LaFond- Division 3 : outside classroom door # 10**  
**Chiang- Division 8 : regular entrance front door #16**  
**Lee (Burke this year)- Division 4 : outside classroom door #1**

Regards,  
Rob Wright  
Principal