

September 3, 2021

Dear Prospect Lake Families:

We hope you all had an enjoyable summer. The staff at Prospect Lake have been busily preparing for another wonderful year of learning. We are very excited to welcome our students and families to a new school year. A warm welcome to our new families who are joining us and to our Kindergarten families. Here are some reminders for the first few days and some updates:

Tuesday Sept 7

- 8:40 Grade 1-5 Students will meet at last year's classroom -outside doors or meeting place; new students meet at the front office entrance
- 10:15 Students dismissed at outside door or meeting place; busses depart

Wednesday Sept 8

- full day for grade 1-5 8:40-2:48
- be sure to pack a nutritious lunch and snack
- Kindergarten students will refer to the letter they received in June regarding their gradual entry; this also can be found on our website <https://prospectlake.sd63.bc.ca/>

NEW CLASSES: We hope that students will move to their 2021/22 classrooms by Thursday. Enrolment may have fluctuated over the summer and final student placements may need to be reviewed. We will make every effort to have students in their new classes as soon as possible. Placements are determined carefully and thoughtfully. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Students do not need to bring school supplies on Tuesday. If you wish to opt into school supplies program, we have extended it until next week and information is on our website: <https://prospectlake.sd63.bc.ca/>

PARKING LOT: As we begin into our new routines, please be mindful of parking lot safety. The parking lot is a busy place at drop off and pick up. Please use the crosswalks and park in designated spots. The round-about will be used for staff parking this year and we ask that general traffic not enter into the round-about 8:20-8:50 and 2:30-3:00 unless for handicap parking. As we have limited parking spots, some alternatives include parking at Whitehead park, Prospect Lake Hall and using the drop off lane in the mornings. Drop off lane: Pull up to the crosswalk before student exits, have student on passenger side to exit, and quick exit to keep traffic flowing. We will have our fabulous staff and supervisors to help you out 😊

CURRENT HEALTH AND SAFETY ITEMS

Recently announced were the updated operational guidelines for K-12 schools <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindergarten-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/k-12-covid-19-health-safety-guidlines.pdf>

- All staff and student in Grade 4 and 5 are required to wear masks while indoors or on the school bus.
- K-Gr 3 students are encouraged to wear masks, but this remains the choice of the student and their family.
- General cleaning of the premises, and the cleaning and disinfecting of frequently touched surfaces, will occur at least once in a 24-hour period.
- Staff and students (or their parents if appropriate) are to continue to do their own Daily Health Check and should remain home if they are not feeling well.
- We ask that parents please be mindful of providing space to other families when picking up and dropping off children and try to avoid crowding
- In the weeks to come, we look forward to sharing out addition information for visitors, parents and guardians. At this time, we ask that all visitors and parents remain outside and make an appointment by contacting the office at 250-727-3314, so we can support safe and planned visits.

As always, we are grateful for your partnership in creating a safe place and educating your child(ren) and look forward to a great year. See you next week.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ko

Principal

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Vice-Principal