

Beach Grove Elementary School

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Dear Kindergarten Parents,

Welcome to Beach Grove! We are looking forward to having your child attend our school this September.

On the first day of school, <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 4</u>, <u>2018</u>, there will be no scheduled classes for Kindergarten students. Parents are welcome to bring their Kindergarten child to meet the teachers and have a quick visit from 9:00 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. If you arrive before 9:00 a.m. you might want to wait until all the other students have gone into the school. Both teachers will greet Kindergarten students and their parents at 9:00 a.m. in the primary undercover area. This will be an "Open House", not a regular Kindergarten session (parents are encouraged to let your child come into the school on their own unless your child is very anxious and wants you to come in). Parents will be asked to come back for a one-on-one interview with parent and <u>child</u>. For the remainder of the first week, the students will attend in smaller groups, working with both teachers in both classrooms (see schedule on back).

For the first two weeks of school, the Kindergarten children will be involved in a "phase-in program" to help them make as easy a transition as possible from home to school. This means that their hours of attendance will be shorter than the regular day and will slowly increase. This will allow them to become familiar with the new adults, children, and routines they need to learn.

Both Kindergarten teachers will buy the school supplies for their students. We are able to buy most of the items needed in bulk at a discount price through Staples. This means that every child will have the exact same items and you won't have to worry whether you have bought the wrong thing! Therefore, please, drop off a cheque (payable to Beach Grove Elementary) or cash for \$45.00 in September to our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Adam in the school office. We would be pleased to receive your payment when school reopens in September-no later than Friday, September 7th.

PLEASE DO NOT purchase a backpack. We have a "system" for transporting items to and from school that they will be happy to share with you on the first day.

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Gradual Entry Schedule

Tuesday, September 4 - Your child will attend between 9:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.

On Wednesday and Thursday the students will attend in two smaller groups:

Wednesday, September 5 - Your child will attend for the session checked off below.

□ 8:50 - 9:50 a.m. (1/2 of the students)

- □ 10:00 11:00 a.m. (1/2 of the students)
- Thursday, September 6 Your child will attend for the session checked off below.

□ 8:50 - 9:50 a.m. (1/2 of the students)

□ 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (1/2 of the students)

For the remainder of gradual entry, all students attend for all the sessions below:

Friday, September 7
8:50 - 10:20 a.m.

Monday, September 10 8:50 - 10:20 a.m.

Parents will be emailed at the end of the day on Monday, September 10th, notifying you of your child's teacher.

Tuesday, September 11 8:50 - 11:20 a.m.

Wednesday, September 12 8:45 - 12:15 p.m.

Thursday, September 13 8:45 - 1:15 p.m.
(First day having lunch at school)

• Friday, September 14 8:45 - 1:15 p.m.

First bell: 8:45 a.m.

School starts: 8:50 a.m. Recess: 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Lunch: 12:18 - 1:18 p.m.

Dismissal: 2:58 p.m.

I hope that you and your family have a safe, relaxing and happy summer. Please make note of the dates and time your child will attend as this is the only official letter you will receive. For future reference, all school newsletters, etc. can be found on our website: http://bg.deltasd.bc.ca

Yours truly,

Mr. R. Hall Principal