



# WELCOME! to KINDERGARTEN

July 10, 2023

Dear Families,

We are excitedly planning for your child's arrival to Kindergarten in September. We know that there are lots of emotions for both you and your child around beginning Kindergarten. Please know that this is normal. Our Kindergarten teachers are ready for those who will jump in with both feet, and for those who will be more cautious. We know that planning around the first weeks of school for gradual entry can be difficult, so we have provided some flexibility in the scheduling.

The gradual entry schedule is as follows:

**Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup> – all students come for 1 hour – 12:30-1:30.**

Kindergarten teachers will meet families outside by the playground. Lists of groupings will be posted prior to 12:30. Please note that these are not the class lists. Students will be dismissed at 1:30 at the playground to parents/caregivers.

**Wednesday September 6<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Students Do Not Attend**

Wednesday, you will receive an email or phone call to let you know which class your child will be in. Your child's teacher will share your child's gradual entry schedule and drop off spot at this time.

**Thursday and Friday September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> – half class attends 9:30-11:30**

Please bring a small snack, a water bottle, and your child's indoor shoes.

**Monday and Tuesday September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> – full day for half the class on Mon. or Tues.**

Half the class will attend for a full day on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. Teachers will share which group your child is in on Friday September 8<sup>th</sup>. **Times for Monday and Tuesday's classes will be 9:30 – 2:30.**

**Full Day attendance will start Wednesday September 13<sup>th</sup>.** We are still confirming school-wide start/end times of the day, but it should be close to an 8:50 start and 2:45 end time.

Please make sure you sign up for the school newsletter so you can keep updated with current information. Please click the link and scroll down to the bottom of the page to sign up for our newsletter. <https://www.sd69.bc.ca/school/SES>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office at 250-248-2038. Administration and office staff will be returning August 21<sup>st</sup>, 8:00-3:30.

Have a lovely summer!

*Mr. J. Witte (Principal) & Mrs. L. Nikirk (Acting Vice-Principal)*