



# ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## Principal's Message

Welcome Back! I hope you enjoyed the summer break with your children. As we commence another school year, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all students and parents, and a special welcome to those who are new to Errington Elementary. Thank you to all staff for their efforts to help promote a successful start-up. It was really nice to reconnect with the students this week and we look forward to the exciting months ahead – learning, growing, and staying healthy together.

As the students settle into their new classrooms, please remember that we are a team that supports your child – celebrating the good things that happen and working through the challenges together. We value the student-teacher-parent relationships we have as an important part of our learning community. We know that various situations or concerns come up from time to time throughout the year. Please contact your child's teacher if you have a question or concern. It is recommended that you leave a note, email, or phone message for your child's teacher to set up a suitable time. It is challenging to have meaningful and/or sensitive conversations at the busy drop-off and pick-up times.

## EES Bell Schedule 2021-2022

<b>8:10 am</b>	<b>Instruction begins</b>	
9:45am	Morning Recess begins	
10:05am	Morning Recess ends	
11:35am-11:50am	Eating Period	
11:50am	Lunch Recess begins	
12:20pm	End of playtime, Instruction resumes	
<b>1:56pm</b>	<b>Dismissal</b>	
2:10pm	Students not picked up report to office	

## Drop-off and Pick-up

Please note that school begins at 8:10am. If you are dropping off your child prior to 8:10am, please use the Lower Parking Lot. If you are dropping off after 8:10am, you may pull up to the front of the school. Students who arrive after 8:15am must report to the office before going to their classroom.

Please make sure your child's teacher is aware of your child's after school schedule. We need to know if your child is getting picked up (and by who) or taking the bus.

## **K-12 Daily Health Check**

Please ensure you continue to screen your child daily for symptoms of illness and keep your child at home if they are not well. To support daily screening, a **K-12 health-checker app** can be found at: <https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca> The app will allow people to answer simple questions every day. It will inform them if they can attend school or if they need to self-isolate and contact 811 to be screened for COVID-19.



We would like to welcome the following people who have joined our staff:

- Florence Wong (Vice-Principal)
- Barbara Neumeyer (Classroom Teacher)
- Ellen Armbruster (Classroom Teacher)
- Claire Weir (Classroom Teacher)
- Brooke Chase (Classroom Teacher)
- Michele Munro (Child and Youth Care Worker)
- Susan Urie (Educational Assistant)
- Ryan Rhodes (Educational Assistant)
- Kimberley Schug (Educational Assistant)
- Ayla Lambert (Educational Assistant)

## **Picture Day**



Concept Photos will be here to take individual and class photos on October 7<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars!

## **Important Reminders**

- We are required to follow the BC Healthy Food and Beverage Guidelines when serving food in schools. If you are wanting to send treats to school to help celebrate a special occasion, please contact your child's teacher in advance to make arrangements. Food must be prepared and packaged in a Food Safe Certified facility.
- Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor use, along with a pair of inside shoes and an extra change of clothes. We also recommend having a warm coat, hat, umbrella, and gloves. We have a good supply of clothing and hand-knit items on hand. Please let us know if your child is in need of any warm clothing.
- When reporting your child's absence, please call the office at 250-248-8446 (after hours you can leave a message on our answering service – just listen for the option to report a student absence in the directory). It is important to let the office know if your child will be late or not attending school for the day(s) so your child is accounted for. It only takes

a minute. If your child is not at school or late you can expect to receive a call to your main number. Thank you in advance for reporting early!

- Due to current guidelines, school buses are **not** to be used for any other purpose (ie. play dates). The Transportation Department have asked that parents **do not send notes with their child requesting to ride another bus**. Students are only permitted to ride the bus they are registered with. Please refer to the School District website for all school bus information.

## Use of Technology

We value the use of technology as an integral part of teaching and learning. Our handheld devices have become part of our daily routines and give us access to a wide variety of tools, including photographing our students doing all sorts of activities at school. We have noticed that some photos of our students have appeared on social media – we understand that people taking and sharing photos during school sanctioned activities are doing so with good intentions. What people may not realize is that we have a number of students who have media restrictions in place and parents have indicated they do not want their child's photo to appear publically. In order to respect the privacy of our students, we ask that you do NOT download, copy, or distribute any pictures or other personal information through social media that contain images of students and/or student work other than your child's.

