



# ERRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear EES Families,

In case you need a reminder on the back-to-school procedures, here is the information we posted in the last newsletter in June.



## Reconnecting Start in September

Please note that on the first day of school (Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>), we will start at the usual time (**8:10am**) and students are dismissed **3 hours earlier** than usual (**10:56 am**). School buses will also run 3 hours earlier than usual on that day.

Next year at Errington Elementary will once again begin the school year with a reconnecting start, which means that for the first days of school (September 5<sup>th</sup> and September 6<sup>th</sup>) students will return to the classroom they were in this year. For this time, we have planned both classroom-based and whole school learning activities.

On Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> students will move to their new classroom. We believe that this gradual transition lowers the anxiety that for some students is associated with the beginning of a new school year. In addition, delaying the class formation process gives us a chance to create classes based on actual September enrolment, which significantly reduces the chance of a class re-organization once the school year has begun. On Wednesday, students will bring home a note to indicate which class they will go to for the year. A map will be provided on the back of this letter. Please use the outside classroom doors to enter classrooms. Signage will be posted with room numbers and teacher names.

Students new to Errington Elementary will meet in the library on the first day of school. From there, they will be placed into temporary classes with their peer group for the first two days.

Students who start Kindergarten this coming September will have a gradual entry. New Kindergarten students WILL NOT attend on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. They have been assigned days and received a letter from the school with this information.

## EES Bell Schedule 2023-2024

<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>	
2:11pm	Students not picked up report to office	



## **School Supplies**

Detailed information about school supplies was sent home with student report cards in June. Students in Kindergarten through Grade 3 have a fee and teachers have purchased supplies. Students in Grades 4-7 have 2 options: either purchase their own supplies from the list provided OR order supplies through a local company. You may order online through Teacher's File at: <http://packs.teachersfile.ca>

Supply lists will also be posted on our EES website. Students will NOT need their school supplies on the first 2 days of school (September 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>). Please wait until Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> to send supplies to school.

## **Drop-off and Pick-up**

Please note that school begins at 8:10am and supervision begins at 7:50am. 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.