NANOOSE BAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Parent Newsletters available on our website www.nbes.sd69.bc.ca

Important Dates to Remember	
September 11th	PAC Meeting @ 8:30
September 13th	Jersey Day – wear your favorite Team Jersey
September 19th	Open House – more info to come!
September 20th	Terry Fox Run
September 26th	Picture Day
September 27th	Orange Shirt Day
September 30th	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation – students do not attend

Welcome back to school, everyone! We hope you're excited for a year full of fun and new experiences. This year is going to be packed with exciting activities, great friendships, and lots of laughter. Whether it's trying out new games, working on cool projects, or just hanging out with friends, there's so much to look forward to. So, get ready for a fantastic year!

Attendance Procedures

ABSENCE REPORTING: We are using the Safe Arrival and School Messenger tools to report absences, and connect with families about unexcused absences. Please be sure to download and install the SchoolMessenger App, or call the toll-free number (833) 557-9422 to report an absence using the automated phone system.

MORNING ROUTINES: Arriving on time supports participation in planned re-connect activities and instructions, time to connect with classmates, and prepare for a successful day. Students are marked late if they arrive after the 8:09 bell. Please support your child to be as punctual as possible. Students must check into the office if they arrive late. If leaving early please check out at the office.

- School begins at 8:09 and dismisses at 2:00
- Morning Recess: 9:50 – 10:10
- Eating Period: 11:40 – 11:55
- Outside Play Time 11:55 – 12:30

School Supplies

A reminder to make the online payment for your child's school supplies.

Criminal Record Checks

If you are interested in participating in school events or field trips please complete your "criminal record check". If we already have your copy on file they are valid for 5 years. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Drop – Off Circle (Before 8:15)
A reminder the drop-off circle in the morning is meant to be a **"quick stop and go"**. Please do not park in this area and leave your vehicle unattended - this will help to keep the flow of traffic moving.

Feeding Futures Program – Breakfast and Lunch Program

School districts in B.C. have received funds from the government under the program *"Feeding Futures"*, and as a result, our school is able to provide breakfast and lunches to children from families that need support in order to help alleviate the challenges of rising household costs.

If you would like to be part of this program or have further questions please contact your child's teacher, the office or myself. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us and all information will be kept confidential. *We hope to have the program up and running by the middle of September.*

More information can be found at [Feeding Futures](#)

Sincerely,

John Williams, Principal

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Dogs at School

Many families love to include their family dog in the walk to and from school. We have a number of students that feel uncomfortable around dogs. If you choose to include your dog in the walk, please stay to the periphery of the school yard. Please avoid high student congestion areas like the main playground, classroom line-ups, drop-off areas, school entrances and bus areas.

Please remind your children that they should always ask the owner's permission to pet a strange dog (or even a familiar one in a new situation) before reaching out. If we all work together, we can provide a safe, stress-free environment for all members of our community, human and canine. Thanks for your support!!

Verification "Demographic" Sheets

Next week "verification" sheets to clarify any contact and demographic information will be coming home. Please return all sheets signed to the classroom teacher (please return even if there are no changes).