

Χpeý Elementary School

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Dear Students, Parents and Staff

Welcome to a new school year at the Indigenous Focus School of choice! We hope that you've had a safe, relaxing and enjoyable summer. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new families. We look forward to getting to know you in the coming months. To our seasoned families - welcome back!

Our school team is committed to teaching about Indigenous ways of knowing and learning throughout the entire school through belonging, mastery, and culture and community as outlined in the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement. We're excited to continue working with you and highly value your participation in different school activities throughout the year.

This is a preliminary letter and a second letter with further information including staffing updates and forms will be sent home on the first day of school.

Kindergarten Parents/Guardians

We are excited about welcoming your child to Kindergarten! Thank you for your care and diligence in preparing your child for Kindergarten and your trust in sending your child to our school.

The first week for the K children is an important one and we therefore start with a gradual entry:

Tuesday, September 4th: 9:00 – 10:00

Wednesday, September 5th 9:00 – 12:10
to Monday, September 10th

Tuesday, September 11th Fulltime 9:00 – 3:00

If you have any questions about the gradual entry for Kindergarten children or anything else regarding Kindergarten please drop by or contact me on my cell by calling or texting 604 812 9275 or emailing me at rmackenzie@vsb.bc.ca

Grade 1 – 7 Parents/Guardians

A big welcome to those new to our school and welcome back to our returning students! We are grateful to our Parents, Guardians and Caregivers in entrusting your child to our

school and look forward in in partnering with you to create an engaging and purposeful learning experience for your child.

Please remember that on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 4th, the students will only be in their classrooms for one hour from 9:00 – 10:00. We will at that time provide all the information and forms and will take any questions you may have about start up. Your child will be attending school full time starting Wednesday, September 5th.

We also want to make sure that students are in classes that best suit their strengths and needs. To be thoughtful about classroom placement we will not finalize the class lists until the end of the week. We anticipate students being in their new classes by Friday, September 7th.

After school and lunch time programs will start second week of the school. The Hot Lunch Program and the Breakfast Program will be starting up on Thursday, September 6th.

The staff and I are looking forward seeing our students and families next week and throughout the year!

Warmly,

Rose Mackenzie
Principal