



BEAR CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Bear Creek Families,

Each school year, parents and caregivers support their child(ren)'s formal learning experiences in a wide variety of ways. We appreciate all that you do to ensure a successful year!

In addition to providing the school supplies, parents/caregivers are periodically asked for monies to cover specific items and/or special events. No student will be denied the opportunity to participate in any school activity due to the inability to pay. Please contact Mrs. MacDonald should you require any financial assistance.

As we plan for the upcoming school 2025-2026 year, we anticipate the following costs:

School Supplies: We will be providing an itemized school supply list based on grade. This can be found on our website under *Admissions – School Supplies List* and will be available in late June. Parents/caregivers have the option of purchasing their child's school supplies on their own utilizing the supply list or, for your convenience, you may wish to purchase supplies as a package through **School Start**. Payment is made directly to **School Start**. Costs for supplies vary based on grade but will not exceed \$65.00. We encourage families to reuse as many items as they can from year to year.

Please note that there will not be an itemized school supply list for students in kindergarten as we purchase the items in bulk. There will be a flat rate of \$55.00 payable through our online system in late September.

Student Planner: We encourage all students in Grades 1-6 to purchase a school planner at a cost of \$5.00. Included in the planner is our school code of conduct, school calendar, and school district information. We find this to be an excellent tool for facilitating home/school communication, as well as for developing our students' organizational skills. However, using our school planner is optional as a parent/guardian may purchase their own version. Additionally, some teachers will be using digital platforms for home/school communication. Once your child has their classroom assigned in September, the teacher will communicate if you need to purchase a planner.

Field Studies: Classes often enjoy educational visits to community facilities which extend and enhance the curriculum. While we use school monies or fundraise to cover the costs of such activities wherever possible, there are times when parents/caregivers are asked to contribute towards the cost of the trip. If you choose to have your child not participate in a field study, a suitable program will be provided at the school.

Musical Instruments: Students in Grades 4 and 5 enrolled in Core Music may be asked to purchase a recorder later in the school year. The anticipated cost is approximately \$10.00. For those who are unable to purchase one, recorders will be available to borrow from the school.



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SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS ARE NOW LIVE ON THE SCHOOL START WEBSITE!

School Supply Lists

Your teachers at Bear Creek Elementary are excited to offer the opportunity to purchase your school supplies through School Start for the 2025-2026 school year. This process will save you both time and money. The supplies will be packaged and delivered directly to your home.

If you have any questions, please contact **School Start's Customer Service Department:**

Email: info@schoolstart.ca | Phone: 1-800-580-1868

Parents go directly to: <https://schoolstart.ca/>

Then please click on the following:

- Parents Shop Here
- Purchase School Supply Kits
- Select Province, then City, then School
- Click Here to Purchase
- Lastly, click on your child's grade

BELL SCHEDULE 2025-2026



8:15	Supervision Begins
8:30	5-minute warning bell Students enter classroom
8:35	Morning Sessions 1 begins
10:15	All students come outside for recess
10:30	Morning Session 2 begins
11-43-11:58	Eating time
11:58-12:23	Outside play time
12:28	Afternoon sessions begins
2:28	Students dismissed for the day
2:28-2:43	Teacher supervision outside



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DATES TO REMEMBER FOR 2025-2026

TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 2	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (10:00 AM-11:00 AM) 1 HOUR ONLY
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 24	EARLY DISMISSAL 1:28 PM
THURSDAY	SEPTEMBER 25	MEET THE TEACHER 5:00-6:00 PM
MONDAY	SEPTEMBER 29	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (no classes)
TUESDAY	SEPTEMBER 30	NATIONAL TRUTH & RECONCILIATION DAY (no classes)
MONDAY	OCTOBER 13	THANKSGIVING DAY (no classes)
MONDAY	OCTOBER 20	LEARNING UPDATE #1
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 24	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (no classes)
MONDAY	NOVEMBER 10	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (no classes)
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 11	REMEMBRANCE DAY (no classes)
MONDAY	DECEMBER 15	LEARNING UPDATE #2
THURSDAY	DECEMBER 18	EARLY DISMISSAL 1:28 PM
		PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
WINTER BREAK DECEMBER 22, 2025 – JANUARY 2, 2026		
MONDAY	JANUARY 5	FIRST DAY BACK FROM WINTER BREAK
MONDAY	FEBRUARY 16	FAMILY DAY (no classes)
FRIDAY	FEBRUARY 20	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (no classes)
THURSDAY	MARCH 12	LEARNING UPDATE #3
SPRING BREAK MARCH 16, 2026 – MARCH 27, 2026		
MONDAY	MARCH 30	FIRST DAY BACK FROM SPRING BREAK
FRIDAY	APRIL 3	GOOD FRIDAY (no classes)
MONDAY	APRIL 6	EASTER MONDAY (no classes)
FRIDAY	MAY 1	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (no classes)
WEDNESDAY	MAY 6	LEARNING UPDATE #4
WEDNESDAY	MAY 6	EARLY DISMISSAL 1:28 PM
		PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES
MONDAY	MAY 18	VICTORIA DAY (no classes)
MONDAY	MAY 25	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY (no classes)
THURSDAY	JUNE 25	EARLY DISMISSAL 1:28 PM (last day for students)
FRIDAY	JUNE 26	ADMINISTRATION DAY (no classes)