



PRINCE CHARLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Welcome

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to all of our current and new Prince Charles families! I hope you've all had a safe and enjoyable summer. We have all anticipated and are looking forward to as "normal" a school year as possible. We are pleased to know many fun, engaging activities for kids will return such as extra-curricular sports and clubs. However, we must also be mindful that the Covid Delta variant is amongst us and we cannot let our guard down. With that said, there may be varying levels of comfort around activities such as field trips so we will tread slowly. Please note a few of the most important Health and Safety guidelines for schools later in this newsletter and view the full guidelines on the Surrey Schools website at www.surreyschools.ca.

Our school is also in the midst of a seismic upgrade and that brings construction, disruption, challenges and change. Flexibility and patience will be required by all this year. We have 12 portables on site and all classes will be in a portable at some point for a designated period of time as we move from phase to phase.

Week One Schedule – September 7th – 10th

Please note that many staff will be outside Sept. 7- 10 ensuring that students and parents know where to meet in the morning.

Tuesday, September 7th

Grade 1 – 7 students attend from 10:00 – 11:00 am.
Kindergarten students attend with their parent(s) 10:00 – 10:30 am.

Meeting places: (please refer to Portable Map (attached))



Kindergarten – Meet outside Portable # 422 and #738 (side by side)

Grade 1 - Last name A – L	Front Door
Grade 1 - Last name M – Z	Portable 498R
Grade 2 - Last name A – L	Portable 752
Grade 2 – Last name M – Z	Portable 402
Grade 3 - Last name A – L	Portable 415
Grade 3 - Last name M – Z	Undercover area door by the Library (west side)
Grade 4 - Last name A – L	Single back door across from the Primary Playground
Grade 4 - Last name M – Z	Single back door across from the Primary Playground
Grade 5 - Last name A – L	Portable 497R
Grade 5 - Last name M – Z	Undercover area door by the Library (west side)
Grade 6 & 7 Last name A – H	All 6/7's - undercover area east side
Grade 6 & 7 Last name I - O	All 6/7's - undercover area east side
Grade 6 & 7 Last name P - Z	All 6/7's - undercover area east side

Wednesday – Friday, Sept. 8 – 10th

- Grade 1 – 7 students attend 8:30 am – 2:35 pm.
- Kindergarten students will follow the Group A, B, C, D Gradual Entry Schedule
- Morning meeting spot remains the same until notified that classes are set. Once classes are set, parents will receive a letter.
- Please note that we will **not** have a staggered arrival time this year. Our daily bell schedule is as follows:

8:30 am	Welcome Bell
8:35 am	Morning Session starts
10:15 – 10:30 am	Recess
11:50 am	Eat Lunch
12:05 pm	Play Outside
12:35 pm	Afternoon Session starts
2:35 pm	Dismissal



School Supplies

The grade 1-7 school supply lists are on our school website if you have not yet accessed them. They were also sent home in the year end report card envelope. Please ensure all school supplies are labelled with your child's name. **Students do not need to bring any school supplies on September 7th.**

Kindergarten parents – just a reminder that our Kindergarten teachers purchase all supplies for the year and will collect \$40.00 from you, payable by September 17th. More information will come from the Kindergarten teachers.



School Planners

Primary and intermediate planners will be available for students in grades 1-7. They are \$5.00 each and will be available beginning Monday, September 13th. Please do not send money before September 13th. When you send planner money, please ensure your child's name is on the envelope and mark it "Planner". We will distribute planners to students once the teacher receives the envelope.

Breakfast and Lunch Program

Prince Charles has a breakfast and lunch program for students run by our district Food Services department. Anyone can come to breakfast which opens at 8:00 am in our Multipurpose Room. Lunches are delivered to the classroom for children who choose to receive the lunch program.

Information will be sent home during the first week. Prompt return of the form is appreciated as our lunch program will begin on Monday, September 13th and our breakfast program will begin on Tuesday, September 14th.

- Students will wash their hands before eating breakfast and lunch
- After breakfast, students head outside to line up at their assigned entrance door.



Recess and Lunchtime

- Our Kindergarten children have their own separate, enclosed playground area that is very spacious!
- Primary students (grades 1-3) have their own playground area in the back.
- Intermediate students (grades 4-7) have their own playground area at the side
- The grass field will be for grades 3 – 7.
- Teachers are on supervision before school, at recess and after school. Lunch time supervision in all areas is provided by paid lunchtime supervisors (and myself) who are employees of the Surrey School District.
- Students will go out to play in all weather except extremely heavy rain. Please ensure kids are dressed for the weather. There will be many reminders about this during the year.

Health and Safety Protocols

The Surrey School District has a shared commitment to ensuring the safety of all members of our school community – especially students and staff working in our buildings. We will be reminding all students of the importance of following the guidelines around frequent hand washing, hand sanitizing, wearing a mask and staying home if they are feeling sick.





Important Procedures and Protocols:

- **All parents and caregivers are responsible for doing a health assessment of their child(ren) each day before going to school.** If your child is experiencing symptoms of common cold, influenza, Covid-19 or any other infectious respiratory disease, **please keep your child home until there has been an assessment by a health care professional and the symptoms have resolved.**
- All grade 4-7 students must wear a mask in the school building and/or in portable classrooms. Please ensure your intermediate child brings a mask to school every day.
- Masks are **strongly encouraged** for Kindergarten – Grade 3 students.
- Access to the school building will be limited so please call the school office whenever you need to relay or seek information.
- No lunches/school items can be dropped off during the school day until further notice. Please send your child with a lunch each day (unless they're going to choose the lunch program).

Please be sure to see the revised 2021-22 Prince Charles Calendar dates (attachment) as well as the portable map (attachment).

Thank-you for your attention to today's information. We look forward to seeing our returning students next week. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please call Mrs. Rodriguez or Mrs. MacMillan in the school office.

Kind Regards,

Ms. D. Lomax
Principal