

École Woodward Hill Elementary

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Ey' Swayel Woodward Hill families,

We are looking forward to welcoming all of our students and families back to school next week! Hopefully everyone has enjoyed a safe and relaxing summer and is feeling ready to return to school. Below is very important information about our return to school. Please read carefully and contact us if you have any questions. Please check our <u>school's website</u> regularly for updates and information.

Questions and Answers

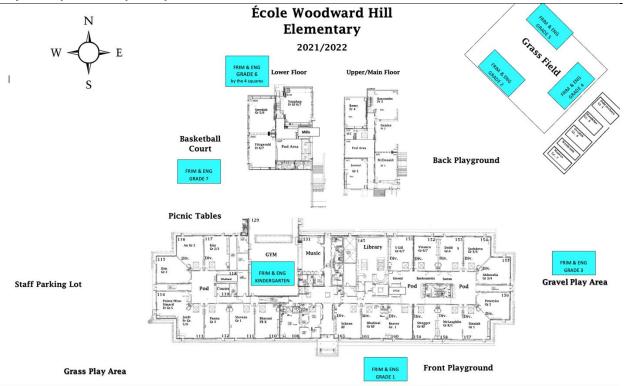
Q: Where does my child go on the first day of school?

A: Our first day of school is Tuesday September 7. The purpose of this first day is to welcome families and students back and confirm attendance so we can begin the important process of organizing classes. Please refer to the map below to see where to **drop-off and pick-up** your child on the first day.

For students in Grades 1 – 7

• School is in session from 10 – 11am

Day 1 drop-off and pick up area



For students in Kindergarten

- Students are divided into two groups Group A and Group B
 - GROUP A last names beginning A J
 - GROUP B last names beginning K Z
- Students meet in the gym
- Group A meets from 10 10:30am
- Group B meets from 10:45 11:15am
- See below for information on what group your child is in and contact the school if your child is not listed 604-594-2408
- Students are on a gradual entry. See schedule below.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5	6 LABOUR DAY (No school)	7 Confirm Registration & Welcome Families Group A 10:00 -10:30 Group B 10:45 -11:15	8 1.5 hour class Group A 8:35 - 10:05 Group B 1:00 - 2:30	9 1.5 hour class Group A 8:35 - 10:05 Group B 1:00 - 2:30	10 1.5 hour class Group A 8:35- 10:05 Group B 1:00 - 2:30	11
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Q: My child is new to École Woodward Hill Elementary. Where do they go?

A: Your child should meet in the grade locations outlined on the map above. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to a staff member outside who will be wearing a bright vest.

Q: I have not yet registered my child. How do I do this?

A: All registration is now done online. To register your child, please go to surreyschools here

Q: Where can I find the school supply list and can I order online?

A: School supply lists are posted on our school's website and can be found <u>here</u>. School supplies can be purchased on your own or can be ordered through <u>schoolstart here</u>

Q: Why is there no Kindergarten supply list?

A: It is typical for schools to purchase bulk supplies for Kindergarten students. Our Kindergarten teachers will be asking for \$45 per student.

Q: How do I pay for school related items?

A: École Woodward Hill is cashless meaning payments can only be made online. To do this, please create a CASH ONLINE account here <u>https://surreyschools.schoolcashonline.com</u>. You will be notified when items are added to your account.

Q: When will I know what class my child is in?

A: We will be working diligently during the first week of school to welcome students, confirm numbers and organize classes. Organizing classes is a very important process that requires adequate time and patience. You can anticipate information regarding class placement no later than the end of the second week of school.

Q: What is the bell schedule for 2021-22

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Primary			
Welcome bell	8:30am		
Morning session	8:35am		
Recess starts	10:15am		
Recess ends	10:30am		
Lunch	11:50 – 12:35pm		
School ends	2:35pm		

Intermediate

Welcome bell	8:30am
Morning session	8:35am
Recess starts	10:30am
Recess ends	10:45am
Lunch	11:50 – 12:35pm
School ends	2:35pm

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Please be advised that on August 24, 2021, the Board of Education approved the following amendment to the 2021-22 local school calendar:

The addition of the September 30, 2021 statutory holiday for the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

A revised calendar has been posted on the <u>district website</u>. The one-page calendar for École Woodward Hill Elementary has been revised as well and is below for your reference. Please note there is no school on Thursday September 30.

École Woodward Hill Calendar: 2021 - 2022

September 7, 2021 September 27, 2021 September 29, 2021 September 30, 2021 October 11, 2021 October 21, 2021 October 22, 2021 November 11, 2021 November 12, 2021 December 20 – December 31, 2021 January 3, 2022 February 21, 2022 February 25, 2022 March 14 – March 18, 2022 March 21 – March 25, 2022 April 15, 2022 April 18, 2022 April 27, 2022 April 28, 2022 May 6, 2022 May 23, 2022 May 30, 2022 June 23, 2022 June 24, 2022

School Opens, 10-11 am Non-Instructional Day Meet the Teachers Truth and Reconciliation Day – no school Thanksgiving Day Early Dismissal Day – 1:35 pm Non-Instructional Day Remembrance Day Non-Instructional Day Winter break School reopen after winter break Family Day Non-Instructional Day School Closure days Spring break Good Friday Easter Monday Early Dismissal Day - 1:35 pm Early Dismissal Day – 1:35 pm Non-Instructional Day Victoria Day Non-Instructional Day Early Dismissal Day – 1:35 pm Administrative day/School close

COVID protocols

A Communicable Disease Plan will be posted on district website soon. Please stay tuned. Here is some COVID related information for K - 12 settings:

- Masks are mandatory for students in Grades 4 7. Students in Grades K 3 are highly encouraged to wear masks
- Masks are required while singing in music class and not playing a wind instrument
- Shared equipment to be disinfected daily
- Maintain daily hand hygiene protocols
- Complete a daily health check before sending your child to school *Daily Health Check for K-12 Mobile App* <u>https://www.k12dailycheck.gov.bc.ca/healthcheck?execution=e1s1</u>
- Any students under 12 who have travelled outside of Canada within the last 14 days MUST complete the 14 days of isolation prior to returning to school.
- No more cohorts
- Physical distancing is no longer mandatory but is encouraged
- Visitors to the school must make an appointment and wear a mask when entering the school
- Extracurricular activities can occur
- Ventilation systems are monitored by District Facilities and filters are changed on a schedule

New staff to École Woodward Hill Elementary

We welcome the following new staff to our wonderful community.

Ashley Short – counsellor Mr. Moores – intermediate ENG teacher Mr. Ursulak - intermediate ENG teacher Mme. Woo-Simard – intermediate FRIM teacher Ms. Sereduik – intermediate ENG teacher Ms. Sachdeva – intermediate ENG teacher Mme. Gentes – primary FRIM teacher Lucky Kim – primary ENG teacher Jacquie Bascombe – primary FRIM teacher Ms. McLaughlin - primary ENG teacher Ms. Tmana – learner support teacher Ms. Bunker – teacher librarian Mr. Tsang – band teacher Ms. Castro – records clerk Ms. Sanderson – support staff Ms. Henderson – support staff Ms. Kaur – support staff Ms. Robinson – support teacher Ms. Mahmood – support teacher Ms. Choongh – support team