



George Bonner News

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Principal's Message

Welcome to George Bonner Elementary! We hope you enjoyed your summer and all the activities and family fun! We have a great staff at George Bonner and we are looking forward to a great week of reacquainting with students and welcoming all the new students to George Bonner.

Updesh K. Cheema

School Year Specifics:

- School supplies: if you have purchased school supplies for your child we suggest you keep them at home until the teacher has requested them. Copies of supply lists are available at the office and on our school website under the Parent Info Tab
<http://georgebonner.sd79.bc.ca>

Drop off and Pick up

- To help minimize congestion, we appreciate your understanding about drop off and pick up of your child(ren) quickly and safely. Preferred drop off is between 8:15 am and 8:30 am and pick up, is 2:18 pm – 2:30 pm
- School hours are 8:30 am start and dismissal at end of the day is 2:18 pm
- Please note that supervision begins at 8:10am in the morning and afterschool supervision ends at 2:30 pm
- Students arrive in the morning and go to their meeting point told to them by their teacher
- Late arriving students come to the front door and come to the office to check in before going to their classroom
- Upon entering the classroom, students will sanitize/wash their hands

September 3rd, 2024 First Day

Tuesday, September 3rd is the 1st day back to the new school year! **School is in session from 8:30 a.m. to 12:18 p.m.**

KINDERGARTEN Students are on a gradual entry and would have received their schedule in early July. Kindergarten students will be attending the Mill Bay Nature School site for September 2024.

School Schedule

Supervision begins at 8:15 am

8:30 a.m.	Classes begin
11:20-12:05	Lunch (play time)
12:05-12:18	Lunch (eating time)
2:18 p.m.	Dismissal

Supervision ends at 2:35 pm



Have you moved recently?

Are you moving or have you moved? Do you have a new address or phone number?

Do we at Bonner's Office have your new information? Please let us know: 250-743-5571 or georgebonnerheadsecretary@sd79.bc.ca

Bussing for 2024-25 School Year As we head into summer mode, drivers have collected as many bus passes from the students and new bus passes will be handed out in September.

- REGISTRATION FORMS will only be required for new students and Kindergarten students.
- CHANGE FORMS will be required for changing schools (ie Grade 7 to 8) and all
- address, medical or contact information changes
- ALL Kindergarten registrations and any new students to the district must be accompanied with an electronic photo, and Student ID number. Applications without a photo will not be processed. Please email photos to transportationregistration@sd79.bc.ca
- 4) Once registered, Parents/Guardians will receive an email mid-August indicating registration is complete and information for accessing routing and bus passes will be provided at that time.

For online bus information

<https://sd79.bc.ca/services/transportation/>



Bonner Website

<http://georgebonner.sd79.bc.ca>

Transportation

<https://sd79.bc.ca/?s=Transportation>

Cowichan Valley School District

<http://www.sd79.bc.ca>

Daily Health Assessment <https://sd79.bc.ca/covid-19-updates-health-and-safety/>

Safety In and Around the Parking Lot



Thank you to some parents and the community, who are working towards signage and a crosswalk in front of the school. In the meantime, we ask all drivers to be diligent and aware at drop off and pick up times and watch for students riding their bikes, walking or skateboarding to school, we ask that drivers to be more cognizant of the pedestrians in and around the vehicles. Thank you for helping us ensure the safety of your children!

PAC CORNER

PAC Meeting Monday, September 18th with a Welcome back to school BBQ at 5pm and mtg at 6:30pm.

Check the PAC Facebook page and George Bonner's for any updates.

All parents are welcome to attend. Hope to see you there!

PAC Facebook page has information and important dates

<https://www.facebook.com/GBEPAC>

There are various ways to get a hold of us:

- Emailing general inquiries to

georgebonnerpac@sd79.bc.ca