



# George Bonner News

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## Principal's Message

A big thank you and appreciation to you all for doing an amazing job with your children and the learning support at home.

As most of you would know by now, I am moving schools and leaving you in very capable hands of Jennifer Calverley who is coming from Khowhemun Elementary. She has in the past worked at Bonner - some of you may already know Jen.

All the best for the coming school year. I am sure our paths will cross in this beautiful valley that we share and live in.

Happy Summer!

At this time, we bid a fond farewell to departing grade 7 students and some of our staff members  
Secretary: Dawn Kowan

Teachers: Kyra Gurski, Pierce Jones, Shanika Mallawaratchi, Murrin Miller, Candace Seaby, Pamela Taylor, and Trish Tibbel.

EAs: Amber Champ, Deb Clarke, Patti Lucas, John Oldnall, Jon Parker, and Becky Walter.

We wish them well and are sad to see them leave.

I would like to 'Welcome' the incoming staff members:

Teachers: Bonnie Archer, Hannah Heyes, Lisa Kellar, Candice Smith, Sonia Caetano, Dionne Jamieson, and Ashley Bell.

EAs: Annette Dawes, and Amber Eddy.

And a few more staff members who will be joining us in September.

I would like to say a huge "Thank you" to the PAC, staff and children for making this year at Bonner a great one. The Fun Fair was amazing! Thank you to all the families who came out to support the Fair and to all the families for helping it be a big

success!

On behalf of all staff, I wish our Bonner families a safe, healthy, fun-filled summer.

Mrs. Updesh K. Cheema



## First Day of School - September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, Half Day

Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> is the 1<sup>st</sup> day back to the new school year! **School is in session from 8:30 a.m. to 12:18 p.m.**

Students will be returning to their last year's class on Tuesday and Wednesday morning. They will line up at their last year's class where the previous teacher will welcome them back to the start of the school year.

**It is important that all students attend as staffing decisions are finalized based on student enrollment.**



## SCHOOL SUPPLIES CLASSROOM BUYS FOR THE 2025/26 SCHOOL YEAR

Your George Bonner PAC Executive have organized bulk ordering of school supplies through Monk Office. Teachers will be ordering supplies for their entire class providing significant savings to parents at the cost of only \$45 per student! Order forms will go home with your child soon!

### Other benefits:

- Ensures equal access for all students to the same quality supplies
- Easy and stress free for parents
- Reduces waste year to year

We greatly appreciate your support and prompt payment, which will help make our pilot year a success. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please let us know — we're here to help.

Questions? Please contact Melanie Tucker (PAC Secretary) at: [mtuckerbc@gmail.com](mailto:mtuckerbc@gmail.com)

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JUNE 20<sup>th</sup>**

Thank you!



**The yearly calendar for your planning ahead is attached.** Please note that the First Day of School is Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 12:18 p.m. is dismissal. This is a 2-hour early dismissal.

**Lost and Found** Any items that were left at the end of June were donated to the students at the school.

**Bussing for 2025-26 School Year** For online bus information

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

**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](mailto:georgebonnerheadsecretary@sd79.bc.ca)

## 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 p.m.*



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

Transportation

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

Cowichan Valley School District

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



## PAC CORNER

**PAC Meeting Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> with a Welcome back to school BBQ at 4 p.m. in front of the school and the PAC mtg at 5:30 p.m. in the Library.**

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

All parents are welcome and encouraged 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](mailto:georgebonnerpac@sd79.bc.ca)

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