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The Bayview Bulletin

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School-Wide Dates to Remember:

- Sept 5—Labour Day—no school
- Sept 6—School starts from 11:00 am—12:00 pm
- Sept 7—Regular school days start 8:45 am—2:25 pm
- Sept 12—PAC Mtg @ 6:00 pm
- Sept 13—Transfer Beach
- Sept 16—Terry Fox Run, bring a toonie for Terry
- Sept 22—Open House 1:30 PM
- Sept 27—Fire Drill
- Sept 28—Bottle Drop Off
- Sept 29—Orange Shirt Day
- Sept 30—Truth & Reconciliation Day—no school

R.O.C.K.S.

Recognition

Thank you to our caretakers, Carl and Coren for providing us with a nice and clean, shiny school to come back to!



Principal's Message

Welcome back to another amazing year of learning at Bayview!

Throughout the Summer and early days of the year, staff and students have been working towards some shared goals – getting everyone settled and focused for the year ahead; paddling together. As parents, the start of a new school year, combined with ending of the pandemic will be very exciting. I appreciate the support and patience that families have given the school as we've sought to create the best possible learning environments and will continue to do so. I also appreciate the support that the settling process requires – consistent routines, early bedtimes, ongoing communication etc.

We have many familiar faces and many new friends and colleagues at Bayview this year – currently our enrollment is hovering around 209 students within a school organization of 10 divisions. This growth is exciting! At the same time, growth takes time and must be done thoughtfully. One way you can participate in the discussion is to attend our PAC meetings, the first Monday of each month – we want open lines of communication.

The year ahead is full of potential, and with us all paddling together we will realize amazing learning and community.

Ms. Stephanie Stephens, Principal

STUDENT FORMS

Please watch for **Student Information Verification forms** that will be sent home during the first week of school. We ask that you review, make any necessary changes, sign and return them to school as quickly as possible so that we have the necessary safety contacts and medical information on file for your child. It is very important that we have two alternate numbers to call in case your child is sick or there is an emergency.

Please remember if your child requires any medication at school (e.g. inhalers, epipen, antibiotics) there is a form that needs to be filled out by the parents/guardians. All medication needs to be kept in the office.

CHANGE OF CLOTHES

Please make sure to send a change of clothes to be kept in the classroom and please make sure clothing is labelled with your child's name.

BAYVIEW PAC

Our first PAC meeting is **September 12, 2022 in the library at 6:00 PM**. Share your ideas and make a difference for our students. Many hands make light work.

BAYVIEW R.O.C.K.S.

PBIS - POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

Everyone at Bayview participates in a school-wide approach to learning safe, responsible & respectful behavior to ensure a safe, caring, and orderly school environment. This is directly related to our school's Code of Conduct. We are focusing on 'doing the right thing' – even when no one is watching. All staff describe, teach and practice, acknowledge, and reteach whenever needed. We are reviewing our school matrix and 'Bayview ROCKS' (Respect, Ownership, Cooperation, Kindness, Safety) and reviewing using WITS (Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it Out, Seek Help) as a problem solving strategy.

BELL SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday

8:45-10:15 Instructional Time

10:15-10:30 Recess

10:30-11:45 Instructional Time

11:45-12:20 Lunch Recess

12:20-2:25 Instructional Time

CELL PHONES, GAMES AND ELECTRONICS

We are asking that parents ensure that students keep cell phones, electronic games, game boys, Nintendo DS, iPods, MP3 players etc...at home! These items interfere with lessons in the classroom and run the risk of being lost, damaged or stolen at school. The school is not responsible for these items and we certainly do not want them to interfere with the learning in the classroom. Students can use these devices for their walk to and from school, but they should remain in backpacks or with the teacher for safe keeping for the rest of the day. We encourage the students to be interacting with others and not on technology at the recess and lunch breaks, phones need to be in student backpacks. The school phone is available for students to call home or for parents to contact their child/ren during the day. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated!

STRONG START

Our Strong Start program is a drop-in program for parents/caregivers and little ones. Our Strong Start is open Monday through Friday from 9:15 am—12:15 pm. In addition to the circle time, play time, and arts and crafts in the Strong Start Centre, they use the gym and library and have visits from our Aboriginal Education staff and other community members. You will have to book a spot on the SD68 website:

Check out their facebook page for regular updates.

[https://www.facebook.com/
www.bayviewstrongstart.ca](https://www.facebook.com/www.bayviewstrongstart.ca)

PARKING SAFETY REMINDERS

Here are some important safety reminders:

Slow down and take your time.

Only park in designated areas. Do not stop in the middle of the road or pull up onto the curbs or park along the side with the 'no stopping' signs.

Cross at appropriate spots

Use the sidewalks and crosswalks

Do not walk along behind where the cars are parked

If your child/ren exit out the back of the school, arrange to meet them along Princess Street behind the school as there is lots of parking available.

Thank you for taking an extra couple of minutes to follow these safety rules. We don't want anyone getting injured.



TOYS and POKEMON Cards

Please keep all toys and Pokemon cards at home. The school is not responsible if they go missing, get ruined, or if your child gives to someone else. If they remain at home they will stay safe, thank you.

BC FRUIT & VEGETABLE PROGRAM



Our school is involved in a province-wide healthy living initiative. One of the goals is to encourage healthy eating by providing fresh BC fruit and vegetables to students during classroom time. Every two weeks, produce from this program is given to students during morning snack time. If you do not wish your child to participate in this program or if your child has any allergies, please send a note to your child's teacher.

SCHOOL NOTICES

Most school notices will be sent home via email. If you would like to receive a hard copy of a notice, please advise Jody in the office at (250)754-3231 or via email Jody.Lennox@sd68.bc.ca. There will be some exceptions where a hard copy may be sent home to all students.

You can also stay informed by checking out our school website

[http://schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca/bayview/Pages/
default.aspx](http://schoolsweb.sd68.bc.ca/bayview/Pages/default.aspx)

The PAC Facebook page at

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

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

School supplies for students are purchased and provided by the school at a cost of \$35.00/student. You can pay online or provide cash or cheque, payable to SD68. If you have not already done so, please go to <https://nlps.schoolcashionline.com> and click on "Register" and fill in the appropriate fields. More information and instructions on how to sign up and use School Cash Online are available at <https://www.sd68.bc.ca/schoolcashionline/>

CHILD YOUTH FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER

Welcome back! I hope that all of our Bayview families are settling back into the new school year. With so many changes, I wanted to let you all know that I am back for the entire school year to support your families. I am really looking forward to this new school year. If there are any supports, outside of school, that you believe would benefit you or your family, please know that I am here to guide you to accessing them. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at aileen.tuck@sd68.bc.ca or call me on my cell at 250-668-8739.

Aileen Tuck

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

This group is an opportunity for grades 5 to 7 students to work on building their leadership skills and making a difference around their school and community. Watch for information.