



BX Elementary School

Home of the Bears

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What will the first day look like?



Tuesday will be a half day throughout School District 22. The first school bell rings at 8:30 am and students will be dismissed at 11:30 am. Busses will run 3 hours earlier than their regularly scheduled times.

We are up to almost 30 new student registrations over the summer. Because of this, BX students who attended our school in June 2023 will go to their last year's classroom. New students to our school will meet at the GaGa pit (near the main entrance) when the bell rings at 8:25 am. School staff will be at the GaGa pit and will take the new students to the library for the morning, complete activities there, and do a full tour of the school together.

Our hope is that students will go to their new classroom on Wednesday. This will depend on if we get new registrations between now and Tuesday. I will update parents later in the afternoon on Tuesday through an email to all families on what the plan will be for Wednesday.

Kindergarten Student Families



Please refer to the school start-up package that you picked up in June or when you registered this past week for the gradual entry schedule. There is no school for Kindergarten students on Tuesday.

Hot Lunch Coordinator

Our Parent Advisory Council (PAC) needs a parent(s) who are willing to be our hot lunch coordinator(s). We currently have enough hot lunch volunteers who would help on hot lunch days at the school. **If we don't have a hot lunch coordinator, we will not be able to run our Pizza Day program or Hot Lunch Days** each week. Please go to our new PAC website, www.bxpac.ca, and contact our school PAC to let them know you are interested.





Busing Reminder

Please check out the new busing information available on the transportation website <https://sd22.bc.ca/programs-services/bus-transportation/>. The school is not involved in busing registration, so please get in touch with the transportation department directly. We will distribute bus passes to students during the first week of school. Students will be able to take the bus without their bus pass during the first week or until they are handed out.

When can I pay for school supplies?

Early next week, Mrs. Kadach (Office Administrator) will email parents instructions on how they can pay for school supplies online. If you prefer to pay by cheque or cash, please have your child give the money or cheque to their teacher. Cheques are preferred. School supplies are \$70 for all students. The school supply fee includes an agenda for your child.



A few important dates for the beginning of the year.



Tues. Sept. 5	First day – Welcome back! 11:30 dismissal
Mon. Sept. 18	PAC meeting @ 6:30 in the library
Mon. Sept. 25	Pro-D Day – no school for students
Wed. Sept. 27	School Photo Day
Fri. Sept. 29	Orange Shirt Day
Mon. Oct. 2	No school for students and staff in honour of National Truth and Reconciliation Day

BX Bell Schedule

First Bell	8:25
Class Starts	8:30
Recess	10:20 – 10:36
Lunch	12:10 – 1:00
End of School Day	2:30

Our Parent Advisory Council has a new website! Please go to www.bxpac.ca and check it out. We encourage and welcome parent volunteers in our school. Parents who wish to help must have a completed Criminal Record Check. This is at no cost to you. Please contact Mrs. Kadach at rkadach@sd22.bc.ca so she can get you set up.





Parking Lot Reminders

Silver Star Road is still under construction. Please leave yourself lots of time at the start of the day and be aware of students, parents and staff as you enter the school zone and the school parking lot. Please park at the community park behind the firehall and walk your child onto the school property if you are coming onto the school grounds with your child.

Medical Alerts

A reminder to parents to let us know if there are any medical or legal alerts for your child. Any students with safety plans, such as EpiPens, are reminded to bring their EpiPens to the office first thing Tuesday morning.



Sincerely

Mr. Johnson