Dear Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. Thank you to everyone for your patience and understanding as we navigate this new norm. Please ensure that you carefully read all communications coming from both the School District and Blueridge. We really can’t wait to see the smiling faces of the students tomorrow morning. During the two hours that your student is here teachers will be taking the time to make connections and begin building their classroom community. They will also begin the process of learning our new safety protocols. We have complete confidence in the adaptability of our students to adhere to these new measures. Shortly you will receive a communication from your new classroom teacher with instructions outlining information regarding tomorrow morning for grades 1 – 7. A reminder to Kindergarten parents that you need to refer to your gradual entry schedule. At Blueridge we continue to focus on our school plan goal around Social Emotional well-being, realizing that this is more important now than ever before.

A friendly reminder that parents are not invited into the classrooms at this time. Please ensure that you have enough time in the morning to create a smooth transition from home to school.

Sincerely,

Susan Teegen Bridget O’Brien-Kopacek

Principal Vice-principal

**\*Staggered Entry and Exit – your teacher will be notifying you this information**

**Staggered School Hours for Kindergarten to Grade Seven**

8:40/8:50 Arrival Time

8:45 – First Instructional Period

10:00 – 10:20 First Group Recess

10:20 – 10:40 Second Group Recess

10:40 – 12:00 Second Instructional Period

12:00 – 12:30 (Play/Eat)

12:30 – 1:00 (Eat/Play)

2:50/3:00 Dismissal

\*Note Wednesday 1:50 2:00 Dismissal

\*\*There will be no bells at this time

**Contacting the School**

If your child is going to be absent or late, please call our callback at 604-903-3252. If the call occurs after 9:15, please call the office directly. 604 903 3250.Or you can e-mail us at [blueridgeattendance@sd44.bc.ca](mailto:blueridgeattendance@sd44.bc.ca)

If you need to drop off lunch/forgotten items, please contact the office to notify them and place your item in the bin by the front door of the school. **Do not drop items off at the classroom door to avoid interruption to student learning.**

**Forms**

On Friday, your child will come home with a brown envelope of forms for you to fill out. We recognize that this is a large amount of work for parents, but we hope that you will take the time to fill out the forms as soon as possible.

Inside the brown envelope you will find:

* Emergency Forms: Student Release and Student Emergency ID Form
* Blueridge Code of Conduct
* Volunteer Application Package

There are also online forms that need to be completed by families. The forms listed below are the forms that are online.

* Impromptu Walking Field Trip Informed Consent
* Personal Information Consent
* Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement

Please return all forms to the office and complete all online forms by Friday, September 18th.

Contact information

If you have had a change of email, phone, address, or emergency contacts please make sure you let the office know as soon as possible.