

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL



For the safety of our staff and students, all visitors are asked to check in at the office when entering the building. Office staff will provide directions to our guests. If you wish to speak with your child's teacher, please go to their outside classroom door. We recommend making an appointment in advance with staff members to ensure their availability to speak with you.

STUDENT LUNCHES

We encourage parents to send lunches to school with their children in the morning, as it avoids confusion at lunchtime. If you must drop off your child's lunch later in the morning, please make sure that the lunch is here before 12pm (see note below about Div. 15-17). Primary classes often begin eating early, and students need to have their lunches here when the class is ready to eat. This year, drop off of student lunches for Divisions 1-14 will be directly to the classroom outside door. Each room has a ledge where you can leave the lunch. Drop off for Divisions 15, 16, and 17 will be on the black cart inside the front doors of the school. The teachers of these three classes request that student lunches be delivered by 11:30am.

[Libby's Kitchen](#) is available to resume delivery of student lunches Monday to Friday, except on PAC Hot Lunch days. Ordering can only be done online, and the [website](#) will be opened on Sept. 12th to accept orders. The first delivery day is **Monday, September 19th**. Nova Foods is no longer providing school lunches.

DROP OFF OF STUDENT ITEMS DURING THE DAY

We appreciate all students bringing what they need for the day with them to school in the morning. On some occasions, the school may call and ask if someone is available to bring an item the student must have for the day (glasses, band instrument, etc.). Younger children should have a change of clothes at school, especially as the weather gets wetter.

STUDENT AND FAMILY AFFORDABILITY FUND

Recently, the provincial government announced a new, one time [Student and Family Affordability Fund](#). This fund is designed to assist families who require financial assistance with school-related costs such as school and course fees, workbooks, specialty supplies, field trips and other school-related charges and costs. The additional funding will also be used to support school meal programs and other nutritional supports for students.

At this time, we are requesting that families reach out to Mrs. Stapleton, estapleton@sd38.bc.ca, if you are in need of assistance with school supplies, fees or other school-related costs. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with our families to ensure that our students, your children, have everything they need in order to be successful at school. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.



BASKETBALL FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 5-7

The first of our extra-curricular programs is here! A poster was emailed to grade 5 – 7 students with further details. Please note that there are 14 spaces, and sign-up/payment is via [CashOnline](#) beginning on **Monday, Sept. 12th at 4pm**. If you log on after 4pm and do not see the item on your grade 5 – 7 student's account, please email spulukwuks@sd38.bc.ca if you would like to be added to the waitlist.

PARKING REMINDERS

We have a number of new families this year, so it is a good time to review how drop-off and pick-up work at Spul'u'kwuks. It's important to keep in mind that schools were not built to accommodate hundreds of students being dropped off by vehicles, so if you choose to drop off this way, bring your patience! You can expect long lines and having to wait to get into the drop-off lane (the first dark, rainy morning will be a perfect example!). We suggest if you must bring a vehicle, that you consider leaving a few minutes earlier and parking on the street (pay attention to the parking signs) away from the school and walking in with your children. It will help to reduce congestion and give you a more peaceful start to your day!

The drop-off lane is just for drop-off. Please do not leave your vehicle to walk your child to the classroom door. Teach your child how to get out of the car without your help so you can drop-off and leave right away so others can enter behind you. If you wish to spend a few minutes taking your child to class, you will need to park on the street (the lot is for staff parking only) and walk in.

For those walking in from the street, please only use sidewalks and crosswalks to model safe crossing for your children. Do not jaywalk or walk through the parking lot.

The parking lot is not accessible by vehicle at the end of the day. If you drive to pick up your children, you will need to park on the street. **Please do not encourage your children to cross through the parking lot or run across the street to meet you. They need to use the crosswalks and sidewalks and cross safely.**

It takes the whole community to make our school grounds and the streets around us safe for our children and running smoothly for all. Thank you for your support!



SCHOOL TIMETABLE

School begins 8:45
Recess 10:50-11:05
Lunch 12:00-12:50
School ends 2:45

The **School Calendar** for the 2022-2023 school year is attached for your reference. Please note the dates in your calendar.