

# SPUL'U'KWUKS NEWS

We acknowledge and thank the First Peoples of the **hən̓ q̓ əmiŋ əm̓** (hun-ki-meen-um) language group on whose traditional and unceded territories we teach, learn and live.

## Moving/Changing Schools

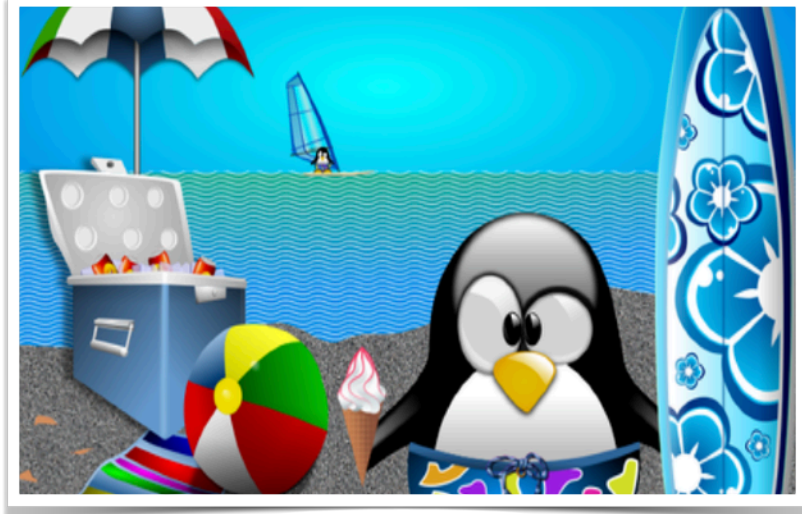
If you move out of Richmond or change schools over the summer, please email us at [spulukwuks@sd38.bc.ca](mailto:spulukwuks@sd38.bc.ca) to let us know. The office will reopen on August 26th, and it will be helpful for us to have that information when we come back.

## Read Your Email!

Important information is sent home weekly through newsletters (also posted on our website) and by email. Please make sure you check your email regularly during the school year so you don't miss out!

## School Calendar for 2024-2025

We have attached the school calendar originally posted on the website at the beginning of June to this newsletter. Please keep it in an accessible location to reference holidays, Professional Days, and school and office hours.



## Happy Summer Vacation!

As we wrap up another wonderful school year, we're excited to wish you all a fantastic summer vacation! Whether you're planning beach trips, camping in the great outdoors, or simply enjoying days at home, we hope you take this opportunity to relax, recharge, and spend quality time with your loved ones.

This summer, we encourage you to explore new interests, dive into good books, and create lasting memories together. Don't forget to take a moment to reflect on the incredible achievements of our students this year! We're so proud of their hard work and growth.

We also want to thank our parents and guardians for their support of the school! You are important members of our team and we are grateful for all that you do for the school and students.

Enjoy your break, have fun, and we can't wait to see everyone back, refreshed and ready for another exciting school year!



## Attendance Reminder

Students are expected to return to school on Tuesday, September 3rd. If an unforeseen circumstance arises over the summer (not a vacation extension) and your child will not be present on September 3rd, please complete the **Notice of Late Return** found on our website. Any student who does not attend on or before September 11th will be withdrawn from our register.

## First Day Plans:

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

**All students are assigned attendance times:**

**Gr. 1 – 7 students attend 8:45 – 9:45**

Return to last year's classroom with the following exceptions:

Ms. William's class, Outside Door 13 (Multipurpose Rm.)  
 Mrs. Toy's class, Outside Door 26 (Library)  
 Ms. Birch's class, Outside Door 13 (Multipurpose Rm.)

New students, please come to the office for a temporary room assignment.

**All new Kindergarten students attend 1:00 – 1:45.** You have been emailed a map of the door numbers for K students.

All students enter and exit the school through outside classroom doors (not front or side doors).

## First Week Plans:

Wednesday, September 4 to Friday, September 6

**Gr. 1 – 7 students attend 8:45 – 2:45 every day**

Please send a snack, lunch, and water bottle with your child in the morning.

Students will remain in last year's class until attendance is finalized. New students will stay in their temporary room assignment.

We hope to move to our new classes some time on Friday.

Kindergarten students attend according to the Gradual Entry (A/B) schedule. The schedule tells you what days to send a snack and lunch. Please send a water bottle every day.



## Dates for Your Calendar

- July 25 Last day for students
- July 26: Last day for staff
- Aug. 26: Office reopens
- Sept. 2: Labour Day (School Closed)
- Sept. 3: First day for students (see attendance hours on previous page)
- Sept. 18: Individual Photo Day
- Sept. 18: Meet the Staff
- Sept. 20: Professional Day (No school for students)
- Sept. 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (School Closed)

## Student Lunches:

It will take time for the hot lunch programs (PAC and Libby's Kitchen) to get up and running, so please send a lunch with your child until ordering information is sent home. All students should also bring a snack every day to eat for recess. We encourage healthy lunches/snacks and water as the drink of choice. There are bottle filling stations in each wing of the school.

We are unable to heat lunches for students, so you may pack a hot lunch in a thermos or deliver it to the outside classroom door and leave it on the ledge outside by 11:50am.

For new Kindergarten students and new K/1 classes, there is a cart inside the front door of the school where you can drop off your child's lunch. It will be delivered to the classroom for them. K and K/1 students begin eating earlier, so check with your child's teacher for lunch drop-off time.

If you wish to take your child home/out for lunch, please tell your child's classroom teacher. Otherwise, students do not leave the school grounds during the school day.

Thank you to our staff who have been with us on temporary contracts: Ms. Cheng, Mr. Phillips, and Ms. Sy. We appreciate your hard work and dedication!

To those families who are leaving us, thank you for being part of our community!

Best wishes to all! We'll miss you!