

Beach Grove Elementary School

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THE BEACH GROOVE



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Daily Noon hour Supervisors Needed

Are you interested in being employed by the Delta School District as a casual Supervision Assistant? This position is responsible for monitoring student behaviour and safety and for enforcing school rules and policies during our lunch break 12:18-1:18 p.m. Please email Ms. R. Corneil at rcorneil@deltasd.bc.ca if you are interested or need further information.

Reminders

- Please do not park or drop off your children in the front parking lot area of the school. This is designated for daycare and emergency vehicles only. The back parking lot is designated for staff only.
- Remember to follow the safe routes to school map (posted in our front window and a copy is being sent home shortly with your youngest/only child). Braid is a walking to school street only (no drivers or parking).

Help Us Keep Students SAFE

1. Supervision of students before & after school

Parents are reminded that supervision of students on the playground begins at 8:30 a.m. and therefore children should not arrive at school prior to that time. After school, students can wait safely supervised until 3:15 in the Primary undercover area while drivers take the time to park legally and off the recommended walking routes. Parents should review with their children what to do if they are delayed so children know to come to the office to check with Mrs. Adam or ask to use the phone.

All students should have left the school property by 3:30 p.m. unless involved in a supervised activity.

2. Visitor Sign-in

Parents, guardians and all other visitors are asked to enter the school using the main entrance and to check in at the office. Please do not proceed directly to a classroom. All visitors are asked to sign-in and wear a "visitor" identification badge while in the school. This is for the safety of our students, staff, and visitors and identifies our visitors as belonging to our school community. It is important that students, parents and staff feel safe in our building, and that the school is not readily accessible to strangers. Aside from the daily security of our building, we are required to account for each and every child and adult who is in our school during a fire drill, emergency preparation drill, earthquake drill and lockdowns. Your cooperation with this matter is greatly appreciated.

3. Pedestrian Safety

Walking to school is a great way for children to stay healthy, learn to navigate their neighbourhood safely and meet new friends. It also reduces traffic in school zones which increases road safety for walkers and cyclists approaching the school.

Parents and children must be familiar with traffic safety rules. For children, simply speaking about traffic safety does not lead to safer behaviours. Walking with children and negotiating neighbourhood streets with them, while explaining how to make safe choices provides an experience and opportunity to develop traffic safety awareness. This is an ideal way for children to practice safe pedestrian skills. Parents and caregivers can teach children these skills and create opportunities for them to demonstrate that they understand and know how to walk safely. Note: It is crucial for parents to model safe pedestrian behaviours. Children will do what you do, so always ensure you make safe choices.

For children, the most obvious journeys for learning to be a safe pedestrian are the ones made to and from school each day. Many parents, for a variety of reasons, choose to drive their children to school. Unfortunately, this denies children the experience of learning to cross roads safely. It also creates danger for other children, who are walking and cycling in the neighbourhood.

For parents who must drive, they may consider parking safely away from the school site to walk the last few blocks to school with their children.

Daily Schedule

Bell Times:

8:45 Warning bell
8:50 Morning classes begin
10:30-10:45 Recess
12:18-1:18 Lunch break
1:13 Warning bell
1:18 Afternoon classes begin
2:58 School dismissal



Important Information- Update Parent Connect today!!!

An email was sent out last week to update parent connect. All parents need to go on-line each year to update their demographic/emergency release information. **Thank you to the 110 parents who have already responded on parent connect.** We rely on this contact information when trying to keep parents informed and need it to be accurate. As well, each year permission forms need to be reviewed and approved. This year, all forms are **approved electronically** through parent connect and **NO PAPER COPIES NEED TO BE RETURNED.** To access parent connect go to:

<https://cimsweb.deltasd.bc.ca/schoolconnect/parentsignone.aspx>

You can also access parent connect through our school website (the Parents tab) and then on the right hand side you will find the link for Parent Connect.

TIP FOR SIGNING INTO PARENT CONNECT: Your email address is now being used to sign into parent connect that you have provided the school instead of your child's PEN. If you have never signed on before and do not know your password, or you have already been on the system and just forgot your password, you can ask the system to email you the password. Passwords are sent to the parent email addresses defined on the child's student record. To have the password emailed to you, click on the "Forgot My Password" link next to the Password box.

PLEASE HAVE ALL UPDATES AND FORMS APPROVAL COMPLETED BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH AT THE LATEST.

If you have any problems signing into parent connect, etc. please email Mrs. Adam at cadam@deltasd.bc.ca or call the school at 604-943-0108.

Medical Info.

If your child has a serious medical condition or requires school staff to give him/her medication that we have not been informed of, please contact the school office to update our existing records or to provide us with new information.

Student Accident Insurance

The District would like to draw your attention to Optional Student Accident Insurance that is again available to all students registered with the Delta School District. This Insurance is inexpensive and provides three different options.

Parents are reminded that the District's Insurance coverage **does not** include coverage for students who have been injured in an accident.

Please take a moment to determine if the insurance offered by IAP Kids Plus Accident Insurance meets the needs of your family.

You can learn more by: Visiting the IAP website: www.iapkidplus.com

Reporting Absences

If your child is going to be absent or late arriving to school, please call the school office at (604) 943-0108 to let us know. There is an answering machine on, so you can call us any time of the day or night or you can also email Mrs. Adam cadam@deltasd.bc.ca.

"Pack-a-Back" Lunches

We have begun a Zero Waste program in Delta, which no longer allows classrooms to have garbage cans. We have a number of recycling bins in the halls, but will need all students to "Pack Back" any garbage left over from recess snacks or lunches.

The Delta School District strongly encourages litterless lunches. By packing lunches in re-usable containers and not including items that have disposal packaging we can have a very positive impact on the environment. If an item is not re-usable then it should at least be recyclable. Let's make the lunchbox popular again! We want to see this happening in our all schools throughout our District.



Fun Lunch

Our first fun lunch date is THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16th. Your PAC is excited to bring back FUN LUNCHES again this year! Orders are submitted on-line and your PAC will be sending an email soon to sign up for Fun Lunch.



DATES TO REMEMBER

September 23rd

PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

September 24th

Terry Fox Run at 2:00 p.m.

September 25th

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

October 8th

PAC Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

October 15th

Individual Photo Retake day

October 16th

First Fun Lunch

October 21st & 22nd

Parent/Teacher Interviews (dismissal time 1:58 p.m.)

October 23rd

Non-Instructional Day (no school)

November 10th

Remembrance Day Assembly

November 11th

Remembrance Day (no school)

November 13th

Fun Lunch

November 27th

Non-Instructional Day (no school)