

Dear Kindergarten Families,

Welcome to Kindergarten and the Gordon community! This is an exciting time for your child, your family, and our school staff as we begin the school year together. To help each child begin the year successfully, our youngest learners will have a **Gradual Entry Schedule**. The first day of gradual entry will be on **Wednesday, September 6th**.

During gradual entry, students will begin with a shortened day, with a smaller group of students. Over the first five school days, we will increase their time at school towards a full day. During this time, children will have an opportunity to get to know the kindergarten teachers, school staff, socialize, play, and explore the different classrooms.

During the afternoons of September 11th-12th, families who would like to are welcome to sign up for a time to come in (5 families at a time) to see your child's classroom, meet some other families and provide your child's teacher with any further information not included in the Kindergarten Questionnaire. A signup link will be sent home on the 8th. We will also have an open house on the September 15th where we will go over what to expect this year in kindergarten and answer any general questions.

Attached to this email you will also find a link to a **Kindergarten Survey**. This is an opportunity for you to tell us about your child and how to best support them in the coming year.

Thank you for your support as we gently transition our students through gradual entry. We are looking forward to getting to know the new kindergarten students and their families.

Wed. Sept. 6 th	9:05-10:05 - GROUP A 1:05-2:05 - GROUP B
Thurs. Sept. 7 th	9:15-10:15 - GROUP A 10:45-11:45 - GROUP B
Fri. Sept. 8 th	9:15-10:45 - ALL GROUPS Bring a healthy snack! An email will be sent out Friday afternoon telling you which class your child is in.
Mon. Sept. 11 th	9:15-11:15 - ALL GROUPS * Bring a healthy snack! 1:00-3:50 Family Classroom/Teacher/Family Introductions (groups of 5 families)
Tues. Sept. 12 th	9:15-11:45 - ALL GROUPS * Bring a healthy snack! 1:00-3:50 Family Classroom/Teacher Introductions (groups of 5 families)
Wed. Sept. 13 th	8:55-3:03 First Full Day of Kindergarten! * Bring a healthy snack and lunch!
Thurs. Sept. 14 th	Full Day K * Bring a healthy snack and lunch!
Fri. Sept. 15 th	Full Day K * Bring a healthy snack and lunch! 2:30-3:00 Kindergarten Open House

Group A	Group B
Last Name A-K	Last Name L-Z

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's transition to kindergarten, please contact our Principal, Sharlene Steele at (604) 713-5403 or email at ssteele@vsb.bc.ca. We look forward to welcoming you and your child to General Gordon.

Warmly,

The Kindergarten Team & Sharlene Steele, Principal

Kindergarten Survey

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