



FAMILY BULLETIN

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Dear Prince of Wales School Community,

We are very excited to have everyone back in the building on **Tuesday September 5, 2023**. Please thoroughly read this letter with your child for important information on the first week of school.

A more detailed newsletter on school information for the year, will be sent out later this week.

Important Information – Please Translate

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OVERVIEW OF THE WEEK

Monday September 4	Tuesday September 5	Wednesday September 6	Thursday September 7	Friday September 8
Labour Day (No Classes)	Welcome Back Assemblies (Auditorium) 9:30 AM: Grade 9/10 10:30 AM: TREK 11:30 AM: Grade 11/12 12:30 PM: Grade 8	8:40 AM-Homeroom BLOCK 1 9:25 AM-10:25 AM BLOCK 2 10:35 AM-11:35 AM BLOCK 3 12:20 PM-1:40 PM BLOCK 4 1:35 PM-3:05 PM	1:22 PM- FIT LESSON (Students remain with Period 3 Teachers)	COLLABORATIVE DAY (AM) COLLAB. TIME 8:40 AM-10:00 AM BLOCK 1 10:05 AM-10:45 AM BLOCK 2 10:55 AM-11:35 AM BLOCK 3 12:20 PM-1:40 PM BLOCK 4 1:35 PM-3:05 PM

THE DETAILS

Tuesday September 5th, 2023- Welcome Back Assemblies ONLY

We are really looking forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday September 5th** for a student orientation day. This year, we will be holding grade assemblies in the **Auditorium** at the following times:

Grade 8	Grade 9/10	Grade 11/12	TREK
12:30 PM	9:30 AM	11:30 AM	10:30 AM

ALL STUDENTS are expected to attend their grade assembly, as we will be covering important information. Each assembly will be maximum 1 hour in length. Students will ONLY come for their grade assembly on this day. Please make sure you arrive in time to be seated in the auditorium by the start of your assembly time. You do not need to bring anything.

Notes:

- Grade 8's will participate in a short student orientation/tour with their homeroom teacher and student leaders after their assembly.
- Please note, if you are a TREK student, please attend ONLY the TREK orientation session.

Wednesday September 6th

ALL students will start the day with a homeroom from 8:40 AM – 9:20 AM and then we will follow an adjusted bell schedule. Your child's homeroom number and location is listed below.

In homeroom students will be given:

- A copy of their timetable.
- A set of forms for parents to fill out/sign and have students return to the trays outside the main office (Families, please also visit <http://myforms.vsb.bc.ca/> to electronically sign the required District forms).
- An agenda.
- 2 locks (ONLY Grade 8 students for hallway and gym locker).
- Additionally, teachers will go through information to start the school year.

Locker selection will also occur during homeroom. We encourage Gr. 9 -12 students to bring a lock with them or purchase one from the office at the end of homeroom.

Wednesday's Bell Schedule:

HOMEROOM 8:40 AM – 9:20 AM

BLOCK 1	9:25 AM – 10:25 AM
BLOCK 2	10:35 AM- 11:35 AM
BLOCK 3	12:20 PM- 1:40 PM
BLOCK 4	1:35 PM - 3:05 PM

Homeroom List

Grade	Student Last Names	Homeroom Number	Homeroom Teacher	Room	Grade	Student Last Names	Homeroom Number	Homeroom Teacher	Room
8	A → D	08A	De Iaco, Rosa	C211	10	Mini Cohort	10M	Lee, Tony	MINI 5
8	E → K	08B	Dow, Tim	A203	10	International Students	10V	Wheeler, David & Wagner, Jen	C111
8	L → O	08C	Moon, Jacqueline	B107	11	A → D	11A	Norman, Denise	A201
8	P → T	08D	Reid, David	C114	11	E → K	11B	Coletta, Vito	C113
8	U → Z	08E	Leong, Andrew	C103	11	L → O	11C	Kalogeropoulou, Maria	C110
8	Mini Cohort	08M	Duy, Nicole	MINI 2	11	P → T	11D	Sun, Cecilia	A202
8	International Students	08V	Watson, Stephanie	A205	11	U → Z	11E	Olsen, Jane	B103
9	A → D	09A	Wilson, Nicholas	D104	11	Mini Cohort	11M	Lau, Corinne	MINI 6
9	E → K	09B	Sandor, Oliver	C207	11	International Students	11V	Maley, Andrea & MacLellan, Alexandra	C210
9	L → O	09C	King, Kate	D204	12	A → D	12A	Lubiniski, Benjamin & Taylor, Ali	GYM A (WEST)
9	P → T	09D	Guillen, Lucas	C105	12	E → K	12B	Guraliuk, Corrie	GYM B (EAST)
9	U → Z	09E	Brett, Allison	Library	12	L → O	12C	Smith, Darcy	D202
9	Mini Cohort	09M	Power, Amelia	MINI 4	12	P → T	12D	Yuill, Craig	C112
9	International Students	09V	Cripps, Russell & Wood, Rose	C208	12	U → Z	12E	Haji, Deenu	A204
10	A → D	10A	Odermatt, Amaris	C206	12	Mini Cohort	12M	Kwan, Michael	MINI 1
10	E → K	10B	Lever, Anita	C108	12	International Students	12V	Sung, Nathan	C203
10	L → O	10C	Choi, Michael	C205	TREK	All students	10T	Rankin, Robyn	TREK
10	P → T	10D	Donison, Cheryl	C209	GOLD	All students	GOLD	Bromige, Chris & Scott Morgan	B105
10	U → Z	10E	Edwards, David	C212					

Thursday September 7th

Students will attend classes following the Thursday's bell schedule. During Flexible Instructional Time (FIT) at 1:22 PM- 2:02 PM, students are expected to remain in their BLOCK 3 classes for a presentation to review expectations for FIT.

Thursday's Bell Schedule:

BLOCK 1	8:40 AM – 10:00 AM
BLOCK 2	10:15 AM – 11:35 AM
BLOCK 3	12:20 PM – 1:20 PM
FIT	1:22 PM – 2:02 PM
BLOCK 4	2:05 PM – 3:05 PM

Friday September 8th

Students will begin classes at 10:05 AM on Friday as it is a Collaborative Planning Day. During Collaborative Planning Times, **students are not expected to be at school**. These periods of time provide the opportunity for school staff to come together to engage in activities and discussions specific to their unique school community to support and enhance student progress and achievement.

Friday's Bell Schedule:

COLLABORATIVE TIME	
8:40 AM – 10:00 AM	
BLOCK 1	10:05 AM – 10:45 AM
BLOCK 2	10:55 AM – 11:35 AM
BLOCK 3	12:20 PM – 1:40 PM
BLOCK 4	1:35 PM – 3:05 PM

REMINDERS

COURSE CHANGES

Please do not contact admin or counsellors yet for course change requests, information about that process will be sent out to students later this week. Our priority is to ensure students have complete timetables by having at least eight blocks scheduled. When schedules are available, if students are missing classes or did not complete summer school as planned, we ask that you contact your grade-based counsellor. All other course change requests will be scheduled in the first and second week of school by signing up outside the counselling suite for an appointment. The last day for timetable changes will be *Friday September 15, 2023*.

NOTICE OF LATE RETURN

To help us ensure a smooth start to the new school year, we would like to remind you that students **must** attend school by Friday September 8, to confirm enrolment. If your child/children will not be in attendance the first week back to school, but will do so after then, please fill out this form [Notice of Late Return Form - Fillable](#) and return this form to the office or email a copy to student records at apooley@vsb.bc.ca. If the school cannot verify your child's attendance at school by noon on Friday September 8, 2023, your child's space will be given to another student on the school's waitlist.

MYEDUCATION FAMILY PORTAL

MyEd has been closed over the summer to allow us to setup the new year and build student timetables. Access for families will open **Friday September 1st at 3:00 pm**, at which point students and families will be able to login and see their homeroom and timetable. If you are new to PW you will be receiving a separate email with login and password later this week. If you need help logging in or resetting your password, please visit [VSB MyEd Parent and Student Resources](#).

We look forward to welcoming you back!

~ **Prince of Wales Administration**



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Principal (Grades 8,10,11)



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Vice Principal (Grades TREK,9,12)