

Sir Matthew Begbie Elementary School

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[Begbie School Website](#)

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Información importante - Por favor traducir

重要な情報-翻訳してください

주요한 정보 - 번역 부탁드립니다

Principal Update September 2, 2020

SAFE ARRIVAL LINE; 604-713-5159 ext 12

Principal:	Mr. John Cortens	604-713-4686
OAA:	Ms. Cheryl Betteridge	604-713-4686
Director of Instruction:	Ms. Alison Ogden	604-713-5000
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PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE

Chair:	Mr. Rigel Wong
Co-Chair:	Mr. Bryan Yu
Treasurer:	Ms. Elise Wong
Secretary:	Ms. Jocelan Thiessen
Members-at-Large:	Ms. Elisa Gutiérrez, Ms. Ina Huang, Ms. Helen Sinclair, Ms. Queenie Wong
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MOST CURRENT SCHOOL INFORMATION

As we continue to move through uncertain times, please continue to check the [VSB Website](#) and [SMB School Website](#) for the most current and update information.

The VSB website has extensive information regarding the start up plan. Please see links below for three places you can look for information as you prepare your family to return to Sir Matthew Begbie.

You have received information directly from the district with respect to the safety plan we are currently developing. Please review the district letter to parents if you have questions.

You can expect more detailed information regarding what this plan will look like at Sir Matthew Begbie in the near future.

We are currently becoming familiar with the guidelines and once staff return we will need time to train staff, make site specific adjustments and communicate our school plan to students and families by the end of next week. Safety plans will need to be adjusted as the situation changes. We need to be ready to move to Stage Three or adjust Stage Two plan as needed.

In the meantime, I will direct you to the source material we are using to direct our work for your reference including:

[VSB Safety Plan, Safe Work Instruction, and Protocols](#)

[FACT SHEET Elementary](#)

[VSB Health and Safety Plan video](#)

Please remain patient as we continue to work to receive our students who are ready to come back (Option 1) and support students who are transitioning to coming back (Option 4) when they are ready (Oct, Nov or Jan).

Parent Advisory Committee

At the PAC AGM the parents of Sir Matthew Begbie elected a new Parent Advisory Committee Executive. I would like to sincerely thank the out-going executive members for their hard work supporting our students, staff and families.

Please be sure to come out to our next PAC Meeting Tuesday, September 8, 2020. It is expected to be an online meeting. All parents are welcome to attend. At these meetings we share information and plan ways to support our students, build community and enhance the learning opportunities.

Welcome to Kindergarten

Parents of kindergarten students registered to begin attendance at Sir Matthew Begbie can expect specific information from the school with respect to their gradual entry schedule. The Welcome to Kindergarten Programme will need to be adjusted. Please be patient and know you will be contacted by your child's teacher next week.

Important Dates to Remember

Tuesday, September 8

- No school for students
- SMB staff in attendance preparing for students' return
- No access to the school for students or parents at this time
- Access to school for parents or others by appointment only please contact office for more information

Wednesday, September 9

- No school for students
- SMB staff in attendance preparing for school start up
- No access to the school for students or parents at this time
- Access to school for parents or others by appointment only please contact office for more information
- Parents can expect direct communication from your child's teacher:
 - grade and division to which the student is assigned for 2020-2021 school year
 - time and date for your child to report for Health & Safety Orientation
 - Draft of SMB H&S School Plan

Thursday, September 10

- No school for students
- SMB staff in attendance preparing for students' return
- No access to the school for students or parents at this time
- Access to school for parents or others by appointment only please contact office for more information

Friday, September 11

- Students report to school for their Health & Safety Orientation with new teacher
 - Surname A-L report to division location on black top at 9:00 am
 - Dismissal A-L at Parent pickup on black top at 11:30 am
 - Surname M-Z report to division location on black top for pick up at 12:30 pm
 - Dismissal M-Z at Parent pickup on black top for pick up at 3:00 pm
- Access to school for parents or others by appointment only please contact office for more information

Monday, September 14

- All students report to school to their reception spot by 8:55 am for pick up outside by their teacher

- All students dismissed at 3:00 pm at their designated reception spot
- Access to school for parents or others by appointment only please contact office for more information

Monday, September 21

- Check ins begin for students who have chosen Option 4 Transition

Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding as we move through these challenging days. We are looking forward to connecting with students and families as we begin a new school year.

I want to wish you all the very best and trust you and your loved ones are well as can be expected.

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On behalf of SMB Staff,

Sincerely,
Mr. John Cortens