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Dear Errington Community,

September 5th, 2025

Informations importantes - Veuillez traduire s'il vous plait 重要な情報です - 翻訳してください 重要資訊 - 請找人翻譯 *Important Information - Please Translate* 重要信息 - 请找人翻译 ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਨ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ - ਕਰਿਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਅਨੁਵਾਦ ਕਰੋ Mahalagang Impormasyon - Paki salin sa sariling wika

Looking forward to a wonderful 2025/2026 school year!

The staff at Errington welcomes all of our students and families as we begin the 2025/26 school year. We hope you have enjoyed a fun and restful summer break and are as excited as we are for a great year. We are currently enrolling just over three hundred students. We are pleased to welcome back students and families, and a special hello to those of you who are new to the Errington community!

Welcome to New Staff & Returning Staff

We are very excited and pleased to welcome a number of new staff members!

| Name | Position |
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| Ms. Cham | Educational Assistant |
| Ms. Giannias | Relief and ELL teacher |
| Still vacant | Relief, Resource and ELL teacher |

Meet the Staff Night



We welcome all families to come meet their child's teacher on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>September 18th</u> from 2:50pm - 3:30pm. Teachers will provide 2 sessions (2:50 - 3:10pm AND 3:10pm - 3:30pm).

PAC



All parents are automatically members of our Parent Advisory Committee. We encourage you to attend and hear about all of the wonderful things that the PAC does to support student learning at Errington. Our first PAC Meeting is TBD. We hope to provide a date next week.

Electronic Communication from the School



Most of our communication from the office will continue to be electronic in the form of emails, electronic Week-At-A-Glance, and updates to our school website. Please make sure that we have your most up to date email address at the school office to ensure that you are receiving all the information. Please feel free to call us at the office if you have questions or concerns about this at 604-668-6699.

Medical Alerts



We are currently updating our student medical alert list and necessary documentation. If your child has an allergy or medical condition, please return the medical form provided to you. If you did not receive a form, please call the school office and let us know so we can get it to you as soon as possible.



Thank you, parents for remembering to <u>not</u> get out of your car when pulling up to our **drop off lane**. Safety is of most importance, so we ask that you stay in your car if you choose to have your child be dropped off. We have also had parents park their car in front of other parked cars and leave it

unattended, please be considerate of others who have followed the rules and parked in a spot. Choosing to walk or bike to school with your child is very much welcomed.

If you are parked in our lot during school hours, please do not play loud music as it interrupts our students who are learning.

Financial Supports – if needed

Please reach out to Ms. Widdess, Principal, at nwiddess@sd38.bc.ca if you require financial assistance for school-related costs. As always, all requests will be treated with dignity and your privacy will be respected. We want to work with families to ensure that students have everything they need to be successful at school. Do not hesitate to reach out if we can help.

September startup notices

We will send these home this coming week. This is a package of notices and permission forms regarding school supplies, walking field trips and your child's verification form. Please complete these by September 29th and return to your child's classroom teacher.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- September 18 Meet the Teacher Night (2:45 3:30pm)
- September 19 Pro-D Day (NO SCHOOL)
- September 25 Terry Fox Run at 1pm
- September 29 Orange Shirt Day for our school community to recognize
- September 30 National Truth & Reconciliation Day (NO SCHOOL)
- October 13 Thanksgiving (NO SCHOOL)
- October 22 Early Dismissal at 11:50pm for Parent-Teacher Conferences
- October 24 Provincial Pro-D Day (NO SCHOOL)

Professional Development Days for 2025-2026 (NO SCHOOL on these dates):

Monday, September 22nd Friday, January 23rd

Friday, October 24th Friday, February 13th

Friday, November 28th Friday, May 15th

BELL SCHEDULE:

School Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Learning Starts 8:45am

Recess 10:15-10:30 a.m.

Lunch 11:50 – 12:42 p.m.

Dismissal 2:45 p.m.



Please help your child come to school <u>on time</u>. The beginning of the day helps our learners know what to expect as teachers review their *Shape of the Day*. If your child is coming late, they must come to the front office first to sign in.

We also want to remind families that their child <u>must</u> be picked up on time. Unfortunately, we cannot care for your child after school as we have meetings to often attend at the end of the school day.



NEW: Starting on October 1st, all lunches need to be brought to school with your child and should NOT be dropped off. Lunches can be packed in your child's backpack. If you are concerned that your child needs a hot lunch, you can purchase a thermos to help keep their food hot.

Please be sure that your child has a spoon or fork as we will <u>not</u> be providing students utensils.





Any **visitors** to the school are asked to check in at the office first and sign in. A staff member will he you. Should you wish to speak with a staff member, please make an appointment ahead of time.

Our learners go outside for recess and lunch. Please be sure to have your child come to school with the appropriate clothing depending on the weather. It never hurts to leave a second set of clothes at school.