



Margaret “Ma” Murray Community School

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Hello everyone - we are beginning to organize for your introduction to school. This note will provide you with information that will help you plan for kindergarten transitions.

Our teachers will be contacting you directly to let you know exactly what times your child will attend for their gradual entry. They will be calling on Tuesday, September 7th and Wednesday, September 8th.

Students will begin transitioning to kindergarten on Thursday, September 9th **OR** Monday, September 13th. These days will be for a one hour time block with approximately 5 students attending. The time slots for these dates are: **10:45-11:45 a.m. OR 1:00-2:00 p.m.** Parents will bring their children to the front of the school. The staff will meet you there and we will walk over to the area where the students will line up each day. Parents/guardians will have the opportunity to meet with Mrs. Scheck, the principal, to discuss the school and process.

On Tuesday, September 14th, all kindergarten students will attend for two hours. The times will be either **8:43-10:43 a.m. OR 12:15-2:15 p.m.** This will give the students a chance to line up and enter the school with other primary students and eat either their snack or lunch at the school. Again, this practice is essential for making a good connection to school.

On Wednesday, September 15th, all kindergarten students will attend their first full day **from: 8:43 a.m. - 2:48 p.m.** This will be a long day for your children so expect them to be tired and possibly grumpy when they get home. This is a normal reaction after the first full day away from parents and summer time schedules.

As part of the required supplies, we ask that parents/guardians are mindful of the following: Velcro or slip-on shoes (allow for independence), lunch containers that are easy to open and do not require heating (there aren't microwaves for students), large backpacks (lots of things coming back and forth) and an extra change of clothes in a Ziploc bag (so if there is a reason your child needs a change of clothes).

We have included in this note, the link for the Welcome to Kindergarten website so that you can review stories, routines and other pertinent information with your child. We are really looking forward to having your child at Margaret Ma Murray Community School.

Website: <https://sites.google.com/prn.bc.ca/mmmcs-k-pod/home>

Sincerely,

Kathy Scheck, Principal MMMCS