Brentwood Elementary School

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Parents/Guardians of Kindergarten Students,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome your family to Brentwood School and to provide you with additional information about the start of the school year.

Kindergarten Gradual Entry.

Wednesday, September 6th, Thursday, September 7th & Friday, September 8th
**Kindergarten students DO NOT come on Tuesday, September 5th **

- The children will attend school in small groups, at a different time each day, in order to experience the different aspects of the day (i.e., start of the day routines, lunch playtime and eating time; afternoon playtime and end of the day routines).
- Families will meet teachers at the back of the school black top undercover area

Students with last names A-L	
Sept 6	• 9:10 to 10:40- meet and pick up at the back of the school black top undercover area • students arrive and will go into school with teacher • bring a small snack and labeled water bottle
Sept 7	• 11:40-1:10 bring a lunch and labeled water bottle
Sept 8	• 9:10- 11:40 bring a small snack and labeled water bottle
Sept 11	• 8:40-1:00 bring snack, water and lunch
Sept 12	• 8:40-1:00 bring snack, water and lunch
Sept 13	• 8:40-2:48 bring snack, water and lunch

Students with last names M-Z	
Sept 6	• 11:40-1:10- meet and pick up at the back of the school black top undercover area • students arrive and will go into school with teacher • bring a lunch and labeled water bottle
Sept 7	• 9:10-10:40 bring a small snack and labeled water bottle
Sept 8	• 12:40-2:30 bring snack, water and lunch
Sept 11	• 8:40-1:00 bring a small snack and labeled water bottle
Sept 12	• 8:40-1:00 bring snack, water and lunch
Sept 13	• 8:40-2:48 bring snack, water and lunch

Monday, September 11th & Tuesday, September 12th
- Classes with be finalized at the end of the day on Friday, Sept 8th. Information regarding the following week will be communicated by your classroom teacher on Friday, Sept 8th.
- All students will attend and meet in their line-up spots for the start of their day at 8:40am. Dismissal on these two days will be 1:00pm. Students need to bring a healthy snack, water bottle and lunch.

Wednesday, September 16th
- 8:35 – 2:48- Regular school hours

Snacks / Lunches
- Snacks should be "healthy" choices that can be unpacked easily and eaten independently (i.e. raw veggies, pieces of fruit, crackers, cheese, raisins, small muffin, etc.).

- Lunches should follow similar guidelines please. Children are encouraged to have water in a labeled reusable bottle/ cup in their lunch each day rather than juice. *Note that we are not able to heat lunches for children.*

- Please use **re-usable LABELED food containers** as much as possible, as we send home all packaging back home in the student's lunch kits.

School Supplies
- Each child is asked to have a pair of **clean velcro** or **slip-on** running shoes that can remain at school for inside use only. Stay tuned for class communication.

- Each child should have **a reasonably-sized backpack.** Please ensure that it is large enough to carry a lunch kit, library books, notices, extra clothing, etc. to and from school, as this will really help your child to keep their belongings organized.

- All school supplies have been organized and pre-purchased by our Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) unless families opted out. **Stay tuned for class communication for payment.**

Student Placement:
Teachers work together to create classes that are workable instructional and social groups with balance in the following areas:

Gender	Intellectual strengths / academic needs
Friendships	Social / emotional strengths
Behavioural needs	Opportunities to make new friendships
Cultural diversity	

We look forward to meeting everyone. If you have any questions, please email our Principal ako@saanichschools.ca or call the school office at (250) 652-3996.

The Brentwood Kindergarten Team
Mrs. Westwood, Mrs. Blackie, and Mrs. Kratofil