



Bramblewood Elementary School

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Welcome to Bramblewood Elementary!

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Dear Parents/Guardians of our new Kindergarten Students,

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to Bramblewood this September! We look forward to getting to know and working with your child and your family. Please read the following information carefully as it provides information about our **Kindergarten Gradual Entry Program** and our **Parent & Student Welcoming Conversations**.

On **Tuesday, September 8th**, please report to the gym at the time listed on the attached schedule which corresponds to the first initial of your child's last name (family name). In addition to attendance, you will sign up for a Welcoming Conversation with our Kindergarten teachers on either **Wednesday, Sept. 9th**, **Thursday, Sept. 10th**, or **Tuesday, Sept. 15th**.

Across British Columbia, the first 2 weeks of Kindergarten are a gradual introduction to the routines of school. All Kindergarten students take part in a "gradual entry" schedule to help get their year off to a good, strong start! Your child has been assigned to **Group A**. Come to school according to the assigned times for **Group A** as indicated in the schedule below. Please arrange your schedule so that you can drop off and pick up your child accordingly. Please ensure your child has their own labelled water bottle. During your initial meeting with staff, on Sept 8th, you will be provided with your child's temporary room assignment for the gradual entry period.

We will send an email reminder of the schedule and communicate any minor changes to you via email and post them on the school's website in September. Please let us know if your email requires updating. **Additionally, please note, the groupings are NOT your child's assigned classes. Your child's 2026/27 class is expected to be assigned through email on FRIDAY, SEPT 18th to begin on MONDAY, SEPT 21st, 2026.**

Take care and see you in September!

Michael Bird

First Day Schedule - Tuesday September 8th

*Please come to the gym at the time listed below based on your **child's last name**:*

A-Ha	10:00 - 10:20 am
Ho-K	10:20 - 10:40 am
L-Z	10:40 - 11:00 am



GRADUAL ENTRY SCHEDULE: Wednesday, September 9th – Friday, September 18th

	Wed. Sept 9	Thurs. Sept 10	Fri. Sept 11
Morning	Group A 8:55-10:10	Welcoming Conversations	Group B 9:00-11:00 (snack)
Mid-Day	Group B 10:30-11:45		
Afternoon	Welcoming Conversations	Teachers away at professional learning opportunity	Group A 12:30-2:30 (no snack)

	Mon. Sept 14	Tues. Sept 15	Wed. Sept 16	Thurs. Sept 17	Fri. Sept 18
Morning	Group A 9:00-11:00 (snack)	Welcoming Conversations	Group B 9:00-11:15 (snack)	All 9:00-12:30 (snack and lunch)	All 9:00-1:00 (snack and lunch)
Mid-Day		Welcoming Conversations			
Afternoon	Group B 12:30-2:30 (no snack)	Welcoming Conversations	Group A 12:15-2:30 (snack)		



The First **full day** of school for Kindergarten students will be on **Monday, September 21st, 2026.**

Bell schedule:

Start time	8:45 am
Recess	10:15-10:35 am
Lunch Outside Play	12:05-12:44 pm
School Ends	2:38 pm